JLMC Meeting Minutes (Safety Committee)

Committee members present: Selectman Mike Marconi, Fire Chief EJ Hoyt, Building Inspector Kevin Kelley and Recorder Eleanor Boy

M. Marconi called the meeting to order at 1306 hours.

The Library Director Lara Croft could not attend this meeting. The 2020 meetings will be held on the second Thursday of the following months; March, June, September and December.

The Committee reviewed the meeting minutes for September 12, 2019. E. Hoyt made a motion to approve the minutes, K. Kelley seconded the motion. All in favor.

M. Bilodeau reports no injuries at the Police Department since the last meeting.

L. Berry reports no injuries at the Library since the last meeting.

Fire Chief EJ Hoyt reported that there is a lot of ice on the new Fire Department parking lot. The Fire Department will need to make sure there is plenty of salt and sand used during this winter. E. Hoyt also reported that an outside light there isn't any insulation in the attic of the Fire Department and the ceiling over the bunk room was caving in due excessive storage boxes in the attic. The boxes have been removed and the ceiling has returned to its original position.

K. Kelley reports that one of the new flashing lights for the school will be installed at the beginning of next week. The second one can't be installed until Spring because the highway crew discovered a ledge when they were digging the hole for the light near the Fire Station.

K. Kelley is looking into getting a new alarm vendor for the Town. The current vendor has a terrible response time for the panic buttons.

Police Chief Mike Bilodeau entered the meeting.

The Police Chief reported that the generator at the Police Station is having problems, there are dark areas around the station, they need an exit light and the door on the sally port was not working and was fixed.

K. Kelley mentioned that he is proposing that the 60kw generator at the Town Hall be replaced with a 80kw generator. The current 60kw doesn't keep everything on at the Town Hall and since the Town Hall is an emergency shelter K. Kelley thought the change was needed.

K. Kelley reviewed the Primes risk management benchmarks for Newington. The first benchmark is Motor vehicle backing accidents, in 2019 the Town of Newington had two claims, the benchmark for 2020 is none. The second benchmark is employee slip, trip and fall injuries, in 2019 the Town had 2 claims, the benchmark for 2020 is zero. M. Bilodeau let the committee know that Jessica Auger went to the Driver Instructor Academy and will be helpful going forward with the backing accidents.

M. Bilodeau also told the committee that the Police Department parking lot has a big crack in it.

K. Kelley will let Town Administrator Martha Roy know about the crack.

K. Kelley wanted to let the Fire Chief know that John March is doing an outstanding job as the Town's life safety officer.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Eleanor Boy