September 21, 2017 JLMC Meeting Minutes (Safety Committee)

Committee members present: Tony Harland, Charlie Smart, Rick St. Laurent, Len Thomas, Lara Croft, Andy Head, Mike Marconi and Eleanor Boy.

Eleanor Boy called the meeting to order at 1:30pm at the Town Hall.

The minutes of the June 27th, 2017 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Injuries reported including trends. Andy Head reported that a Firefighter had been injured by glass while working a car accident.

Loss Experience Benchmarks-Primex recommended 2 benchmark goals for 2018 for the Town of Newington based on our Property and Loss and Worker's Comp claims last year. The first is to decrease our slips, trips and falls. Eleanor will be attaching a flyer about preventing slips, trips and falls to every paycheck on September 28th. The second benchmark that Primex has for the Town in 2018 is to decrease our "vehicle backing up incidents" various ideas were presented to lower the number of incidents.

The Safety Program was reviewed. M Marconi made a motion to renew the Safety Committee's commitment to the Primex Safety program. Lara Croft seconded the motion with all in favor.

Facilities Inspections-The group discussed the need to have all the Town's buildings inspected once a week and a checklist should be completed. NHDHHS has issued updates that the Town has posted on the Town's website under "News and Announcements".

Other Business-Several people had suggestions on how to prevent slips, trips and falls. Lara Croft would like to see better lighting along the front path to the Library. She is recommending that new lighting be installed. Lara is currently working with the Historic District Commission to get the light fixtures approved. She would also like to see some snow fencing along the walkway to the employee parking lot. Len Thomas said he could install it for her before winter. Lara let the committee know that the Library now has an AED. Tony Harland would like to see an outside floodlight above the door near the Police locker room. He also thought that the rug in the Police Station is a trip hazard. There are many spots where it is "coming up". Andy Head would like to have a "negative pressure room" in the fire station. This room is where the firefighters would put their gear to have it decontaminated after a call. The room would get rid of cancer causing agents.

Our next meeting will be held at the Town Hall on a date to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 1:59pm.

Respectively submitted by Eleanor Boy.