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Town of Mason**

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Selectmen / FD Meeting 12/27/2022

Approved Minutes

Present: Selectmen Kate Batcheller, Charlie Moser, John Suiter; Admin Asst Jen Tenney; Accountant Brenda Wiley; Fire Chief Tony Burns; Resident Elizabeth Leonard

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by Chair Kate Batcheller, attendance was taken by roll call as reflected above.

New Business:

- Selectmen met with Elizabeth Leonard who is interested in joining the Fire Department
- Kate signed the 2023 Brookline EMS Contract. Chief Burns reports that everything is going well with response time and staffing with Brookline. Given the spread-out area of the town, Chief is considering the benefit(s) of working with multiple EMS agencies in order to provide the fastest response time possible for the residents.
- Chief provided information from Granite State Solar for consideration of installing solar panels at the Fire Station. The annual electrical bill for the Fire Station is ~\$3k. With the proposed cost of ~\$52k to install solar panels, it would take too long to break even and we cannot move forward with this project at this time. Chief was asked to have Granite State Solar give another estimate to also include the Highway Department in order to see if there would be a better return of investment. Chief will also reach out to the Mason Energy Commission to look into options.
- Chief reports that the fire alarm system at the fire station is not being monitored properly. Chief has a proposal from a company we have previously been using and it is much less than what we are paying our current provider. Chief was asked to have this company give a quote for monitoring the Fire Station, Highway Department, Mann House and Town Hall. Jen will look into what the current cost and coverage is from our current alarm system provider.

- Selectmen request a separate line item under Government Buildings to encompass all alarm monitoring costs.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Kate motioned to adjourn, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Tenney

BOS Administrative Assistant