

Hiring at the Town has been in full force since our last newsletter in November 2023.

Aimee Nolan was hired as a full-time Advance Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) on 11/6/2023. She is a retired Detective Sergeant with the Vermont State Police and had been working with Barre Town Emergency Medical Service (EMS) as a per diem employee since 9/9/2021. Now with her well-deserved retirement from the State of Vermont Police Department after her 28-year career, she has come into full time status with us for her next chapter. We value the skills and experience that Aimee brings to our EMS team. Welcome Aimee!

Due to the Town of Barre contracting services with Williamstown for their Emergency Medical Service needs as of 1/1/2024. Our Emergency Medical Services (EMS) department needed to expand to accommodate this change, and six current per diem EMS staff have been hired as full-time employees to help fill this need.

Addison Alberti-Schroeder was hired full-time as an Advance Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) 1/8/2024. Addison has worked for the Town of Barre as a per diem AEMT since 6/29/2023. She brings many skills to the Town Emergency Medical Services. Addison has a degree in Health Science Pre-Professional from Norwich University and is currently pursuing her Paramedic Certification. Welcome Addison!

Jennifer Soutar was hired as a full time Paramedic on 1/8/2024. She has worked for the Town EMS department as a per diem employee since 1/9/2023. Starting out as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), she obtained her Paramedic certification in February 2023. The Town of Barre is fortunate to have Jennifer's experience and skills on the team. Welcome Jennifer!

Caelan Robbins was hired as a full-time Paramedic with the Town 1/15/2024. Caelan also was a per diem employee with us since 10/30/2023. Caelan's experience as an U.S. Army Airborne Combat Medic and a Paramedic since 2017, has added and enhanced our Emergency Medical Services skill level. Welcome Caelan!

Jacquelyn Bombardier was hired as full-time Paramedic on 1/29/2024. Jackie has been working as a per diem employee with the Town since 4/17/2018. Jackie brings a vast set of skills, and years of experience, to the Barre Town Emergency Medical Services department. Adding to her busy schedule, Jackie also works at UVMMC overseeing the Tech Program. Welcome Jackie!

Michael Belanger Jr. was hired as a full-time Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) 1/22/2024. Michael has also been a per diem employee of the Emergency Medical Services at Barre Town since 6/16/2023. Michael not only works for Emergency Medical Services but is also a member of the Barre Town Fire Department. He is currently at the end of his Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) training and is close to advancing his career to becoming an AEMT. Welcome Michael!

Rachel Rudi was hired as a full-time Advance Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) 2/19/2024. Rachel had worked as a per diem employee with the Barre Town Emergency Medical Services since 11/7/2023. Rachel has a degree in Sociology and brings experience of blending social work experience with Emergency Medical care. Welcome Rachel!

We also hired a new Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT), Brittany Hood, who had worked for Williamstown EMS since 2017. She is a graduate of Randolph Technical Career Center as a Licensed Nursing Assistant and has had her AEMT certification since February 2023. Welcome Brittany!

In addition to all the full-time Emergency Medical Services employees we have also hired an additional new eleven per diem EMS staff. This includes five Emergency Medical Technicians, five Advanced Medical Technicians, and one Critical Care Paramedic. We are thrilled to have expanded our employment roles with these experienced and talented Emergency Medical Services employees. Thank you to all our per diem staff for all the work you do!

David Danforth who was acting as interim Director of BTEMS, was promoted to the Director of the Emergency Medical Services department on January 15, 2024. David has been with the Town of Barre since 6/12/2013, and his vast years of experience and skills make him a fantastic Director for the department. We are excited to continue this relationship with David, and all that he brings as a leader to our Emergency Medical Services team in Barre Town.

We have hired a new Police Officer, Koltin LeDuc began his employment with Barre Town 1/3/2024. Koltin graduated from Northern Vermont University with a degree in Criminal Justice and is currently enrolled in the Level 3 Academy for his Vermont Law Enforcement Certification. Welcome Koltin!

We have also expanded the staff on the Fire Department and hired three new Firefighter's. Barre Town is fortunate to have the ability to keep bringing in new talent to expand and advance our dedicated Town's Fire Department.

The Town also had one resignation. James Hood one of our Mechanic's in our Department of Public Works, left on 12/27/2023. He had been with the Town since 10/3/2022, and we are sad to see him go, but wish him well in his next endeavor with the City of Barre.

By Leslie Babic, Town Manager Assistant