



Three Rivers Fire District  
50 Springfield Street  
Three Rivers, MA 01080

# Prudential Committee Minutes

Chairman Norman Czech called a meeting of the Prudential Committee to order at 6:30 p.m.

## **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Norman Czech; Prudential Committee Chairman  
Stephen Chiacchia; Prudential Committee Vice Chairman  
Richard Pobiegly; Prudential Committee Clerk

Sherrie Bellefleur; District Recording Secretary  
Daniel Gagner; TRFD Captain

Roll call finds absent from this evening's meeting Fire Chief, Scott Turner, Water Superintendent, Chris Connolly and District Treasurer, Lorinda Baker.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## **Approval of Minutes**

The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes from the May 12, 2021, Open Meeting.

**MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHIACCHIA): To approve the May 12, 2021, minutes to the Open Meeting. 3-0-0**

## **Public Comment**

Bruce Charwick who had a complaint during our May 2021 meeting about his property on Springfield Street that was not properly corrected after a water department repair was completed. After last month's meeting the property was looked at by the committee. The repair that was done since then is not acceptable to the owner and he requests that he receive a quote from a landscaping company.

The committee has agreed to take another look at the property and then wants to talk to W.S. Connolly. This will be tabled until W.S. can explain what he did for repairs. A phone number to reach B. Charwick was given to the committee.

## **New Business:**

John Morrison of Morrison Construction was present to discuss his invoice that was not paid in full for the work his company did on Main Street. John showed pictures of a temporary patch that was put in one year ago last March. This was a cold patch, not meant to be a permanent patch. This patch did not fail. It is a patch that is put in when asphalt is not available because of the time of year. You can not get asphalt in March, that is why this temporary "cold" patch was put in. A cold patch will always need to be redone at some point and this was known when the temp patch was put in. A short discussion took place that resulted in the committee filing a motion to pay the remainder of the bill.

**MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To pay the balance of the invoice to Morrison Construction. 3-0-0**

## **Committee Reports**

None

## **Report of the Treasurer**

None

## **Report of the Fire Chief**

Three Rivers Fire Captain Daniel Gagner presented the Chief's report of May 2021.

### **Calls and Activity for the month of May 2021:**

#### **Operations Calls/Incidents:**

- **emergency/non-emergency incidents:** 18 Incidents.

#### **Training:**

- **Department:** Engine Company operations, Oxygen delivery and Basic Airway/Respiratory, Ground ladder drills.
- **Duty Crew:** Search for fire extension, standpipe and high-rise operations, water rescue.

#### **Events:**

None

#### **Fire Prevention:**

- Meeting with new owner of Blue Block for renovation requirements.

#### **Administration:**

- Western Mass Fire Chiefs, Hampden County Chiefs, FCAM Meeting.

**MOTION (CHACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To accept the report of the Fire Chief for May 2021 as read by the Fire Captain Daniel Gagner. 3-0-0**

## **Report of the Water Superintendent**

Water Superintendent Chris Connolly left his report of May 2021 for the committee to read.

### **Status of water systems:**

- Up to date with all monthly and quarterly samples.

### **New Water Department Business:**

- An inspection was done on TRWD's backup generator. Starter batteries were replaced, and the generator is working well and has many years of operation left.
- TRWD has been working with Caracas Construction and Bondsville Water to prepare for the final interconnection to occur with Bondsville Water Department.
- TRWD has reached out to State Representative Todd Smola to discuss the possibility of receiving funds through the American Rescue Plan. Currently the discussion is for recoating one or both storage tanks.
- TRWD was notified by residents at 41 Chudy St of water bubbling out of the ground in their front yard. The repair was done by P&H Excavations. They did a fantastic job.

**MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHACCHIA): To accept the report of the Water Superintendent for May 2021 as read by the Committee. Approved. 3-0-0**

## **New Business:**

### **Reorganization of the Board.**

**MOTION (CZECH; POBIEGLO): To vote Stephen Chiacchia to be Prudential Committee Chairman. Approved. 3-0-0**

**MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHACCHIA): To vote Norman Czech to be Prudential Committee Vice Chairman. Approved. 3-0-0**

**MOTION (CHACCHIA; CZECH): To vote Richard Pobieglto to be Prudential Committee Clerk. Approved. 3-0-0**

### **Water Shut offs.**

Shut off notices will be sent out to residents that have not paid their water bills.

## **Old Business:**

Pobieglto is concerned that we do not have enough firefighters. He is concerned also about current firefighters that are not meeting the physical requirements. Ones that are not meeting physical requirements are not able to fight fires. If a firefighter passes a physical by a Dr. can this pass as a requirement is the question. The committee plans to speak with the Fire Chief about his physical requirements.

**Discuss and/or take action on any business unknown/unavailable prior to the posting of this agenda:**

None

**Board Members Comments:**

A big thank you to Norman Czech for his service as Prudential Committee Chairman it was a job well done.

**MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIELGO): To adjourn from the Open Meeting at 7:27 p.m. Approved 3-0-0**

Submitted by:

Approved as to Form and Content:

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Sherrie Bellefleur, District Recording Secretary

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Stephen Chiacchia, Chairman

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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