



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 Pobieгло; Prudential Committee Clerk

Christopher Connolly; Water Superintendent
Scott Turner; Fire Chief
Lorinda Baker; District Treasurer
Sherrie Bellefleur; District Recording Secretary

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes from the June 17, 2020 Open Meeting.

MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHIACCHIA): To approve the June 17, 2020 minutes to the Open Meeting. 3-0-0

Public Comment

None

Committee Reports

None

Report of the Treasurer

Review of June 2020 Financial Reports:

District Treasurer Lorinda Baker presented the Report of the Treasurer.

June 2020:

Medical insurance: MIA billing was received and paid on June 15, 2020.

Water Department:

- Water revenue exceeds expenses by approximately \$22,000
- Water receipts are approximately \$6,800 greater than FY'19

WS Connolly answered a question asked by Chiacchia on if he feels the water consumption during the pandemic has decreased. Chris states it has in fact increased.

Fire Department:

- Expenses are under budget for FY'20.

District:

- Working on year-end adjustments.

MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To accept the Report of the Treasurer for June 2020. 3-0-0

MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To accept the Treasurers Warrant for June 2020. 3-0-0

Report of the Fire Chief

Three Rivers Fire Chief Scott Turner presented his report of June 2020.

Calls and Activity for the month of June 2020:

Operations Calls/Incidents:

- **19 incidents:** 1 Fire (Engine 1 mutual aid to Russell Fire Department Mill Fire); 6 EMS Incidents; 2 Hazardous Condition (no fire); 1 Service Call; 3 Good Intent; 6 False Alarm & False Call.

Training:

- **Department:** Engine and Ladder Company Operations.
- **Duty Crew:** No training listed.

Events:

- Along with Bondsville FD, Palmer PD and Palmer Ambulance the department participated in 2 Birthday Parades for Palmer Residents.

Fire Prevention:

- 5 Pre-sale home inspections.

Administration:

- **Meetings:** Western Mass Fire Chiefs; Derek Casinghino-Health & Wellness Coordinator; Jean Comeau from Harrington Hospital regarding cancer and cardiovascular screening for members of the department.

Chief Turner presented to the Board with a pamphlet referencing a cancer screening program, Fire Fighters Wellness Initiative. It is a program that Harrington Hospital became accredited in 2019 by providing this service to firefighters in the area. The program is the firefighters get screened for cancer but also the cardiovascular system is checked. The screening is expensive but Chief Turner wondered if we could have funding provided from Mark Graveline, our insurance provider if we pursued a program like this. A question was asked if not only the current firefighters, but retired firefighters could be screened too. Chiacchia feels we should talk to Mark Graveline further about this. Discussions will continue after Mark has been spoken to.

MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHIACCHIA): To accept the report of the Fire Chief for June 2020 as read by the Fire Chief Scott Turner. 3-0-0

Report of the Water Superintendent

Chris Connolly presented his Report of the Water Superintendent.

Status of water systems:

- TRWD has completed the spring hydrant flushing program.
- TRWD has completed the consumer confidence report (CCR) for the year 2019. The report talks about water quality, source protection and state and federal standards. This document is available on the Palmer Town Website, in our office and postcards have been mailed to all consumers with a URL link to the document.
- The first round of backflow testing has been completed and all devices in operation have passed.

Part Time Benefits:

- Chris Connolly and Steve Chiacchia are working on part time benefits. Steve found a Town Employee Manual dated 2017 that references some part time benefits. They will go through the manual together then make suggestions during a future meeting.

MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To accept the report of the Water Superintendent for June 2020 as read by Chris Connolly. Approved. 3-0-0

New Business:

Reorganizing of the Prudential Committee Board has resulted in leaving the board exactly as it is.

MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To leave the Prudential Committee Board exactly how it is. (Chairman: Czech; Vice Chairman: Chiacchia; Clerk: Pobiegló). 3-0-0

Old Business:

The final attorney payment is due by July 30, 2020. This is scheduled to be paid.

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

Board Members Comments:

Chiacchia comments and the Board agrees that things are going smoothly, even during the pandemic.

MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To adjourn from the Open Meeting at 7:03 p.m. Approved 3-0-0

Submitted by:

Approved as to Form and Content:

Sherrie Bellefleur, District Recording Secretary

Norman Czech, Chairman

Date: _____

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