



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 6:35 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Norman Czech; Prudential Committee Chairman	Christopher Connolly; Water Superintendent
Stephen Chiacchia; Prudential Committee Vice Chairman	Scott Turner; Fire Chief
Richard Pobieglo; Prudential Committee Clerk	Dave Basler; District Clerk
	Sherrie Bellefleur; District Recording Secretary

Roll call finds Lorinda Baker; District Treasurer was not present at this evenings meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes from the July 15, 2020 Open Meeting.

MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHIACCHIA): To approve the July 1, 2020 minutes to the Open Meeting. 3-0-0

Public Comment

None

Committee Reports

None

Report of the Treasurer

Review of July 2020 Financial Reports:

District Treasurer Lorinda Baker left with the Board her Report of the Treasurer to be reviewed during this meeting on 8/12/20.

July 2020:

Water Department:

- Water revenue exceeds expenses by approximately \$22,000
- Water receipts were \$84,462 for July compared to \$22,556 in 2019 (due to higher collections in 2020).
A reply from W.S. Chris Connolly was in 2019 the billing went out later than it did this current year of 2020.
- Profit for the month was \$62,410 however, MIAA medical insurance bill was not included as MIAA billing has been slow due to COVID.
- Also, allocation of the general insurance bill (paid by the district) hasn't been completed.

Fire Department:

- Nothing unusual this month.

District:

- Nothing unusual this month.

Treasurer Baker included in her package for the Board the preliminary Y/E reports for 6/30/2020.

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

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

Report of the Fire Chief

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

Calls and Activity for the month of July 2020:

Operations Calls/Incidents:

- **19 incidents (2 incident reports incomplete at this time):** 1 Fire (mutual aid to Belchertown FD for bonfire (cancelled before arrival)); 7 EMS Incidents; 1 Hazardous Condition (no fire); 3 Service Calls; 3 Good Intent; 2 False Alarm & False Call.

Training:

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

Events:

- Along with Bondsville FD and local residents, the department participated in Back the Blue Parade for Palmer PD.

Fire Prevention:

- 7 Pre-sale home inspections
- 2 Oil furnace/tank inspections
- 2 Gas station plans meetings
- 1 Pathfinder safety meeting regarding re-opening plans

Administration:

- **Meetings:** None

Chief Turner answered a question from the Board on whether the power outage (in August) affected the TRFD in saying they drove around searching for downed trees then assisted in the cutting of a tree blocking the road on Bourne St. in Three Rivers.

Richard Pobiegló asked if any headway was made on the Fire Fighters Wellness Initiative. Chief responded stating his next step is to talk to Mark Graveline about this.

Chief spoke of an incident that happened in Bondsville behind the cemetery. A resident climbed into his well after the pump failed. He ended up getting stuck. Blessings he had his cell phone with him, he was able to call for help.

MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHACCHIA): To accept the report of the Fire Chief for July 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 for the month of July 2020.

Status of water systems:

- Up to date with no issues to report.

Part Time Benefits:

- Chris Connolly and Steve Chiacchia discussed briefly their progress with working on establishing benefits for our part time employees. Progress has been made and presented to the rest of the Committee at this evenings meeting. Chairman Czech will review this progress and will add this topic to the September 2020 Agenda for the next monthly.

New Water Department Business:

- TRWD has completed our free PFAS (Per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances) testing made available through grants with MassDEP. This will give the department a baseline for the new contaminate moving forward.
- Through leak detection efforts TRWD was able to locate and repair a leak at 2041 Pleasant St that was estimated to be leaking at 5 gallons/minute. Resulting in a water savings of over 2.5 million gallons over the next year.

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

New Business:

None

Old Business:

None

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

Board Members Comments:

Richard Pobieglo wanted to thank everyone for all the hard work during these hard times and to keep up the good work. Steve Chiacchia thanked Chris Connolly for helping him work on the plan for Part Time Employees benefits.

MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To adjourn from the Open Meeting at 7:05 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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