



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 Pobiegló; Prudential Committee Clerk
Scott Turner; Fire Chief

Chris Connolly; Water Superintendent
Lorinda Baker; District Treasurer
David Basler; District Clerk
Sherrie Bellefleur; District Recording Secretary

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Report of the Fire Chief

Calls and Activity for the month of August 2019:

Fire Chief; Scott Turner presented his Report of the Fire Chief.

Operations Calls/Incidents:

- **17 incidents:** 1 Fire; 5 Rescue & EMS; 1 Hazardous Condition (no fire); 4 Service Call; 2 Good Intent Call; 4 False Alarm & False Call.

Training:

- **Department:** Search & Rescue, Rope Rescue and Pump Operations.
- **Duty Crew:** Training a new Dispatcher.

Events:

- National Night Out and Monson Fire requested Engine 1 (Mack) for the funeral of retired Firefighter Joel Norton.

Administration:

- **Meetings:**
 - No meetings attended in August.
- **General:**
 - Pump tests performed on Engines 201 & 202. The primer failed on Engine 1; that is out for repair. Chief has a list for the board of repairs that need to be done and requested if he could email the list to them. The amount exceeds what is budgeted.

Fire Prevention:

- 3 Pre-Sale Home Inspections and Fire Drill #1 at Pathfinder High School.

New Command Vehicle:

- The total cost of the new command vehicle came in under \$50,000 (just over \$49,000).

MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHIACCHIA): To accept the report of the Fire Chief. 3-0-0

Approval of Minutes

The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes from the August 14, 2019 Open Meeting.

MOTION (CHIACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To approve the August 14, 2019 minutes to the Open Meeting. 3-0-0

Public Comment:

None

Committee Reports:

None

Report of the Treasurer

Review of August 2019 Financial Reports:

Treasurer Lorinda Baker presented the August 2019 Financial Statements.

August 2019:

Water Department:

- YTD revenue is \$20,700 higher than last year.
- Profit has increased \$25,895 because of the revenue increase and lower repairs (\$2,867) and water meter replacements (\$4,680).

Fire Department:

- Additional billing from Architectural Insights for \$2,200 came in August, this was a final billing. This amount was charged to District Expense.

District:

- Allocation of insurance to the Water Department (\$14,350) was recorded in August.

MOTION (CHACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To accept the Report of the Treasurer for August 2019. 3-0-0

MOTION (CHACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To accept the Treasurers Warrant for August 2019. 3-0-0

Report of the Water Superintendent

Water Superintendent Chris Connolly presented his report.

Status of water systems:

- There are no distribution or treatment problems to report.
- Monthly and Quarterly water samples and chemical addition forms required by Mass DEP are all up to date.

District Records Overflow:

- All District records are at the Water Department now. Nicole has gone through the boxes and made a summary of what is inside of them. The summary was handed to the board. Steve Chiacchia suggests reviewing the list and getting back to Chris on what needs to still be saved and what can be shredded. Chris also handed the board a list of how long the law requires a business (or municipality in our case) to hold records.

Discuss Water Agreement with Bondsville & Three Rivers Water Department:

- A letter of interest was handed to the board sent along by Chris McClure in reference to the Interconnection between Bondsville and Three Rivers. A meeting will be set up to discuss details of the agreement. The plan is also to have an attorney review the document prior to signing.

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

New Business:

The request for a customer list from the Town of Palmer was discussed. Steven Chiacchia received a phone call from Robert Leroux; Town of Palmer Assessor requesting help in updating their records. They are looking for any resident that have sewer and water. Chiacchia asked Leroux to forward to him an email with this request for all the board to review. It was agreed that address only could be shared but no names. We can provide the town water listing, but the sewer department would be responsible for their own listing.

MOTION (CHACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To provide the Assessor; Robert Leroux with address only, of those in the district that have town water. Approved. 3-0-0

Old Business:

Code of Conduct submitted by Dave Basler prior to last month’s meeting was discussed. Pobieglo asked if this Code of Conduct was a legal document. Basler states once approved by the board it is. The Board is considered the Governing Committee. The only disagreement is if the Attorney General must approve this Code of Conduct to make it a legal document. The majority rules it is a legal document once motioned in by the committee. This Code of Conduct affects only 3 people, the Three Rivers Prudential Committee. Chairman Czech will be in contact with the Attorney Generals Office prior to next months meeting with some resolution to this disagreement.

MOTION (CHACCHIA; POBIEGLO): To table discussing the Code of Conduct until next month’s meeting. Approved. 3-0-0

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

None

Board Members Comments:

None

MOTION (POBIEGLO; CHACCHIA): To adjourn from the Open Meeting at 7:11 p.m. Approved 3-0-0

Submitted by:

Sherrie Bellefleur, District Recording Secretary

Date: _____

Approved as to Form and Content:

Norman Czech, Chairman

Date: _____