

# CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS FIRE DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021

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**PRESENT:** Carlton B. Crocker, John Lacoste, David V. Lawler, Prudential Committee; Krystal Abrams, Clerk/Treasurer, Alexandra Jackson, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, Michael Winn, Chief, Craig Crocker; Water Superintendent

**Also Present:** Byron Eldridge, Deputy Chief

The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

**Public Comment:** None

**Chief Winn:** Chief Winn reviewed his current budget for Fiscal Year 2021 and states he is on track for the end of Fiscal Year. David Lawler stated he has attended eight or nine meetings with the firefighters to negotiate the contract for Fiscal Year 2022, he could not go into detail but there is a tentative agreement in place. Chief Winn stated that one of the fire departments projects that will take place in May is the blood draws, diagnostic testing and the NFPA physicals will take place at the beginning of Fiscal Year 2022. He noted we have almost 100% participation and in July the Doctors will be on site to do comprehensive physical exams.

**Craig Crocker:** Craig discussed the water department closing out the budget this Fiscal Year 2021, he does not believe he will have any issues going forward from now until June 30. Craig discussed that over the past couple of years the pumpage has been a little bit higher than normal, most of that can be accounted to leaks, in addition to a lot of main breaks in January due to the cold. Craig stated that he is finished with his portion of the Annual Book, Krystal made comment that the books will go to mail April 19, 2021. Regarding Vineyard Wind, Craig stated we are at a standstill. Craig is waiting for them to get back to him on a few items but it doesn't look like they will be starting this spring to move the water main. Vineyard Wind can start the project, but will need to be off the road from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day weekend. Craig stated it is possible that they could do some small segments from now until Memorial Day weekend. Craig stated that Vineyard Wind can get started right after Labor Day weekend and it would be completed before Memorial Day 2022. Craig stated it is about 8,000 ft. of new main, if everything goes well this project could be completed in about 2 months. Craig will keep us updated on this project. Craig stated he is working on the existing agreement for neighboring towns for pumpage. There is supposed to be a second phase of Vineyard Wind, Craig was notified a few months back but has not heard any updates on this second phase. The proposed route is up Craigville Beach, up through the center of Main St, Centerville, up Old Stage Road,

up to the Mid-Cape highway where our water tank is. This will be a separate project from the one that is being proposed now.

**Krystal Abrams:** Krystal gave an Annual Meeting update. The tent is reserved, the books went to print on Monday 12, April 2021, and the residents should be receiving them the first week of May. Our Attorney Doug Murphy, reviewed all the motions prior to printing as well. The elected commissioners are all set and we expect a turn out this year, as this will be a contested race for Fire Commissioner. Running for Fire Commissioner is Doug Brown and Mike Aries. Krystal discussed that the Prudential Department went live with our first payroll in the new system last Friday, it went very well and there were no issues. The Prudential Department has received positive feedback from the employee's regarding the new online payroll portal. Lastly Krystal stated that it was in the Prudential Departments last proposed budget to discuss a motion of approval for salary increases for the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. Carlton Crocker made a recommendation to give Krystal a \$3,000 increase in her salary for Fiscal Year 2022, from \$75,000 to \$78,000 and for Assistant Treasurer, Alex Jackson's hourly wage be increased from \$23.50 to \$25.00 per hour.

**David Lawler made a motion to accept Carlton Crocker's recommendation to increase Krystal's salary to \$78,000 annually and Alex to \$25.00 per hour. John Lacoste seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.**

**David Lawler made a motion to approve the minutes of March 24, 2021 meeting as printed. John Lacoste seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.**

**David Lawler made a second motion to approve the minutes of April 7, 2021 meeting as printed. John Lacoste seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.**

**Next meeting: May 12, 2021 at 6:00pm. This Prudential Meeting will be held in person in the meeting hall at C.O.M.M. headquarters.**

**Public Comment:** None

**David V. Lawler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. John A. Lacoste seconded the motion. It was a unanimous vote.**

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**Alexandra Jackson, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer**