

# CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS FIRE DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2018

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**PRESENT:** Carlton B. Crocker, John Lacoste, Prudential Committee; Judy Sprague, Clerk/Treasurer; Krystal Abrams, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, Michael Winn, Chief;

**Also Present:** Byron Eldridge; Deputy

The meeting convened at 5:30 p.m.

**Public Comment:** None

**Chief Winn:** The Chief stated that Ladder 307 had returned from the refurbishment process in Wisconsin. They put all members of the department through factory based training on how to run its All Steer following that training. Dave put it through a maintenance cycle and they heard a noise in the ariel when it was being extended and retracted in the fly section, that was not there before the refurbishment. It was sent back to Minuteman right away to be fixed, and they hope to have the ladder back any day now. Pierce is covering the costs of the issue but these things happen when you tear an apparatus to the frame. Also in FY 18, we have received roughly \$148,800 based from our IOD policy on a \$45,000 premium. In regards to our renewal of our accident injury policy for the firefighters with Cook and Company, we did see an uptick in this year's renewal from \$45,000 to \$65,000, and the Chief asked the Prudential Committee if we could add the mental health component to the policy and accidental injury or illness. As we know the events they respond to have a long term effect on them. John Lacoste agreed. The Chief stated that prior to next year's renewal he would like to work proactively with Judy and look at our accidental and injury policy, look at other vendors, and see what we can get for a better deal and/or better service to the District. The Chief discussed the CPE reimbursement, which is the grant program, what Medicare would allow versus what we are able to bring back to the District. Kathleen provided a quick snapshot. In FY14 we obtained \$41,494 back to the District; FY 15 was \$68,499; FY 16 was \$50,592; FY 17 \$56,716 and for FY 18 we are expecting to receive \$56,716. Lastly, the Chief provided an update on the Gardner arbitration case. The District prevailed in arbitration and it resulted in favor of the District. The case is now closed. The Chief added that the MCPPO is doing a program for elected officials in Worcester. The Chief is going to bring it to the Fire Commissioners as well and see if we can host one here for elected officials.

**Judy Sprague:** Judy distributed what we have received in FY 18, for the CVEC metering credits, the District has received \$98,668.46. Judy informed the Chief if he could pass along to

Sandy she has until July 24<sup>th</sup> to get her the encumbrances to her. Judy also distributed and reviewed a report on the OPEB account. Judy stated that Bartholomew will be coming to the August meeting to talk to and provide their year-end reports. Judy also stated that she will be sending Rich Bienvenue all the bank statements that are now reconciled and as reports get done she will send them along to him for him to review as well. The auditor will not be back until the end of September or beginning of October. Judy passed around an email that she had received one morning supposedly from Carlton, asking Judy to send him a wire transfer a payment. The email was a scam and not from his correct email address. The Chief added that we are in the process, at the request of Dowling and O'Neil to do an audit working with Thrive to see what our security system is for cyber security on this type of stuff; not that we can stop these type of things but we should be aware that it is happening.

**John A. Lacoste made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2018 meeting as printed, Carlton Crocker seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.**

**Next month's meeting: August 8, 2018**

**Public Comment:** None

**John A. Lacoste made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00pm. Carlton Crocker seconded the motion. It was a unanimous vote.**

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**Krystal Abrams, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer**