

CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS FIRE DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020

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PRESENT: Carlton B. Crocker, John Lacoste, David Lawler, Prudential Committee; Judith Sprague, Clerk/Treasurer; Krystal Abrams, Assistant/Clerk Treasurer; Craig Crocker, Water Superintendent; Michael Winn; Fire Chief

Also Present: Byron Eldridge, Deputy Chief

The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment: None

Craig Crocker: Craig distributed the pumpage report which was up almost 50 million gallons from last July, with more people at their second homes, being home with remote working and learning as well as the lack of rain, all contributing to the increase of water usage. Craig also mentioned that it looks like a couple of our streetlights were on the ground at the new Garrett's on Route 28 probably due to relocation of poles, we stated that we will look into it to get the lights back up on the new poles. There was a brief discussion of Garrett's.

David Lawler recused himself and left the room until the discussion of Garrett's concluded due to them being a client of his.

Judy mentioned to Craig as a heads up, she will be contacting the ladies in the office and Craig regarding requests from the auditor.

Chief Winn: Chief Winn informed the Prudential Committee of personnel changes including the retirements of Lt. Thomas Miskiv and Firefighter Michael Simmons. Also Michael Rogers was promoted to Lieutenant to fill Tom Miskiv's spot, and Lt. Patrick Hill was chosen at Monday night's Fire Commissioners meeting to fill the spot of the pending retirement of Martin MacNeely and lastly Bill Monroe was chosen as head dispatcher. There will be many more personnel changes in the next four months including a few more pending retirements which creates promotions at all the levels and we will have to hire some people to fill the voids. Rich Randall, the retired Hyannis mechanic has been working 2-3 days a week to help out while Dave Scott is still out from his shoulder surgery in June. As far as station updates, Chief Winn stated two weeks ago they lost a pretty big tree behind Station 2 during a wind storm that has now been cleaned up. They are also working with Brigg's Landscaping to remove the debris pile behind

Station 2. Chief Winn said the Deputy and Rich Sargent have been working hard on getting the new software in place to switch over from Firehouse, which we have used for the last 20 years. Chief Winn also stated that one positive from our COVID efforts is a really tight working group between the Town of Barnstable Health Department, Chief Sonnabend; as the Emergency Management director, and the other District Chief's, as well as good communication with all our skilled nursing facilities. Lastly, working with Paul Hodnett and the union President of the Firefighters, he pushed out a travel advisory notice for our people here and what it means with the Governors restrictions. If you travel outside the low risk states it is a quarantine for 14 days or a COVID test within 72 hours. The new laws regarding paid sick leave and expanded family and medical leave under the families First Coronavirus Response Act was discussed. Judy did state that she checked with Cape Cod Municipal Health Group regarding our health insurance, and a COVID test is not covered.

Judy Sprague: Judy stated that the auditor was down last week conducting our end of fiscal year audit. She also stated that one of things he brought to our attention to look into is the ambulance receivables for year end with Comstar. With over a half a million left over in bad debt, he thinks that is a little high given their supposed high return rate. Lastly, Judy briefly discussed the job advertisement for the new Assistant Treasurer. It was decided the ad will be placed September 1 and applicants should apply by September 30th. A more detailed timeline will be discussed at a later time.

David Lawler made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2020 meeting as printed, John Lacoste seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Public Comment: None

David V. Lawler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. John. A. Lacoste seconded the motion. It was a unanimous vote.

Krystal Abrams, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer