

**CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS FIRE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023

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PRESENT: Carlton B. Crocker, John Lacoste, Prudential Committee; Molly Stevens, Clerk/Treasurer; Alexandra Jackson, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, Michael Winn, Chief; Craig Crocker, Water Superintendent

Also Present: Byron Eldridge, Deputy; Mike Rogers, Fire Department; Paul Cusach, Town Council

The meeting convened at 6:03pm.

Chairman Carlton Crocker: This meeting will come to order at 6:03 pm and will be recorded. We will begin our meeting with public comment. If you wish to provide public comment, please raise your hand, and wait to be called on the chair. Speakers must identify themselves when called on to speak. To be complaint with the Open Meeting Law, the board may choose not to engage in discussion on a particular comment but may wish to include the topic on a future agenda.

Public Comment: Paul Cusach stated that he is with us tonight from Osterville and he is attending The Prudential Committee Meeting to listen, learn and understand our systems as a District.

John Lacoste made a motion to approve the minutes as written and printed for February 15, 2023. Carlton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Carlton Crocker made a motion to approve the minutes as written and printed for March 6, 2023. John Lacoste seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Winn: Chief Winn gave a brief report at tonight's Prudential Meeting as he gave the Fire Department update for this month at the March 6, 2023, Prudential Meeting. Chief stated this coming Monday night, there is substantial Fire Commissioners' meeting. Monday at 5:00pm they are conducting interviews for the vacant Captain's position, followed by the vacant Lieutenant position. The Fire Department will also begin the process of advertising for two new employees.

Craig Crocker: Craig distributed the pumpage reports for this year to date. There was a brief discussion regarding the comparison of the previous years pumpage reports. Craig stated he received the department Article revisions from Attorney Doug Murphy. Craig revised and submitted the Articles for approval back to the Treasurer. Craig is waiting for the Water Board to approve increases for the non-union employees before the budget is complete. Craig stated he

still has not been successful in filling the Water Technician position, but he has a couple of interviews lined up for this Friday. The position has been vacant since February 2022.

Molly Stevens: Molly stated she has been diligently working on the draft budget. Molly stated she returned today, from a three-day training program by the Massachusetts Municipal Auditors' and Accountants' Association (MMAAA) at UMASS Amhurst. Molly announced that the Assistant Treasurer, Alexandra Jackson, has started taking Public Procurement courses and asked that the Department Supervisors include her on all emails regarding any procurement. Molly also stated that in addition to the courses Alexandra needs three years of hands-on experience. Molly asked that Alexandra be allowed to shadow meetings, that are a part of a procurement processes, for each department. There was a brief discussion regarding what else needs to be completed for the Annual District Meeting Booklet. Molly distributed the expenditure and appropriations report through February 2023.

Public Comment: None

Next meeting: April 12, 2023 at 6:00pm.

Carlton Crocker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. John Lacoste seconded the motion. It was a unanimous vote.

Alexandra Jackson, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer