



PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

FIRE DISTRICT #2

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December 17, 2019

Prudential Committee Meeting

Convened: 5:00 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:42 p.m.

Present:

Prudential Committee Chair: Kenneth McKenna

Members: James Menard and Kenneth LeBlanc

South Hadley District #2: Chief Scott Brady

Asst. Chief Todd Calkins

Treasurer Barbara Miller

Francis DeToma, Water Commissioner

Others Present:

Brian Fay

Sam Lemanski

Mike O'Neill

Ryan Moore

Scott Libby

Lisa Calkins

Sam Bernash

Tammy O'Neill

Glenn Davis

Jon Szymonik

Meeting called to order by Chairman McKenna. He stated that it was not a public hearing it is to discuss the search process and the fire chief examination with the board. He announced that the meeting is being recorded.

PC Chair Discussion Items

K. McKenna addressed the quotation from Municipal Resources Inc which had been provided via email to the PC members prior to the meeting. B. Miller stated that she has not received a revised agreement but she suspects there will be changes since there has been a reduction in the price. B. Miller stated that her original discussion with each of the members was that this meeting would be to determine exactly what the three members want for a process and how much they want to pay for it and then go out and get estimates because the price is over \$10,000. She stated K. McKenna provided another name associated with UMass which could provide an estimate and it would not be necessary to get additional estimates as they are on the state bid list. K. McKenna said that name was provided by our attorney. J. Menard said that one thing he wants included is weight added for employees of the District; K. LeBlanc agreed. Discussed the process used when MRI was used to hire Chief Keefe and B. Miller. K. LeBlanc said that he would like one other estimate so they can speak with them. He also asked for more information regarding the process when Chief Brady was hired, since he was hired from within, he would like to know how that process was determined. K. McKenna responded that it was a different board and it was advertised within with 4 applicants. He said Chief Keefe recommended Brady and after reviewing the applicants, Brady was appointed Acting Chief and later appointed Chief. K. LeBlanc asked why we are going this route through a consultant versus how it was done before. J. Menard said in his opinion it's a solid process that makes sense for this decision. B. Miller to obtain additional proposals.

List of Documents

Municipal Resources, Inc. Professional Services Agreement

For additional details, video recordings of the meetings may be viewed upon request.

- The next Prudential Committee meeting will be Monday, December 30, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Miller, Treasurer

Minutes approved _____