



PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE FIRE DISTRICT #2

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Minutes of May 11, 2021

Convened: 5:31 p.m.

Adjourned 5:58 p.m.

Present

Prudential Committee Chair: Kenneth LeBlanc

Members: James Menard

Clerk/Treasurer: Barbara Miller

Others Present: Lt. O'Neill

FF/EMT Davis

Meeting called to order by Chairman LeBlanc. It was announced that the meeting is being recorded and will be posted on the website.

Payroll and Vendor Warrants were reviewed by K. LeBlanc and R. Bak. Per Sections 57-58 of the Municipal Modernization Act and PC votes of 12/15/2016 and 3/10/2020 warrants were previously approved by K. LeBlanc, PC Chair.

Minutes

J. Menard made a motion to approve the minutes of April 6th and April 15th. K. LeBlanc second. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Chief Report

K. LeBlanc stated that he met with Chief Calkins prior to the meeting and would be giving a summary of the Chief report as the Chief had other obligations this evening. Staff remains healthy. The exterior door for downstairs has been ordered.

Staff Changes

FF/EMT Trevor McKenna accepted a fulltime position with the City of Chicopee and Marissa Bailly started as his replacement on May 3rd.

Grants

The DCR grant has been awarded for wildland firefighting and will be used for the Brush Truck. DFS Grant approved \$12,498 for equipment: 2 gas meters, a set of bunker gear, 2 pair of bunker boots, structural gloves and a PPV fan for ventilation of a house have been purchased and the amount will be paid back to the District.

Ambulance

We have been responding to more Granby calls. Initial conversation regarding City of Chicopee's need for more basic response. Chief Calkins is looking into the validity and if it makes sense for us to engage in certain circumstances.

Rescue Pumper

Lt O'Neill anticipates that the final inspection will be in the middle of June with delivery in mid-July.

PC Chair Discussion Items

Dedicated Revenue Stream to Stabilization

B. Miller explained that paragraph 4 of Section 5B of MGL Chapter 40 allows us to take 25% or more of a specific revenue stream other than taxation, and apply it to any stabilization fund; if voted by 2/3 majority at a District Meeting. There was discussion regarding the effect on the tax rate and which stabilization funds to use.

Elmer Brook Pump Station Demolition Update

J. Menard stated that the Water Superintendent will be taking the lead on the pump station demolition project.

The next Prudential Committee meeting will be Tuesday June 8, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Miller, Treasurer

Minutes approved _____