

# PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE FIRE DISTRICT #2

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### Minutes of February 8, 2024

Adjourned 6:05 p.m.

Convened: 5:39 p.m.

Present Prudential Committee Chair: Kenneth LeBlanc Members: John Moriarty Clerk/Treasurer: Barbara Miller Fire Chief: Todd Calkins Others Present: Lt. Brian Fay

Meeting called to order by Chairman LeBlanc. It was announced that the meeting is being recorded.

Payroll and Vendor Warrants were reviewed by J. Moriarty. 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.

## Fire and Ambulance Report

Chief reported 69 calls in January. First Due is going well with some bugs to iron out.

DFS grant is lower this year; \$9,800 versus the \$15,500 received in the past. DCR Brus Grant \$5,800 has not been awarded yet. MSA packs and fill station are up and running. Duct cleaning is complete, the air is cleaner and we have humidification, would like to add one to the office side as well. The DLTA grant is moving forward into work groups; the Water Departments work group is meeting Monday. Chief stated, he received a phone call regarding the potential for a \$50,000 grant toward the generator project, He will be meeting with Bobby Liswell from Fibersonic regarding generating projects they did. Much of the prep work for the generator can be done in-house. Moving the generator outside will free up some interior space in the basement area.

Chief stated they need to create a subcommittee for the deck project. The Ambulance and Fire current year budgets are doing well. Both are at or below 50% spent. Chief thanked FF Bailey for the artwork etc. on the call volume posting for facebook.

#### PC Chair Discussion Items

K. LeBlanc stated the discussion in regards to the outside assessment for the Fire Chief position will be put off until the Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

DLTA Grant through PVPC update. I. Brezinski sent a letter for everyone to sign. The letter includes notes from the meeting and steps going forward as discussed at the meeting. There was discussion regarding the volume of current sharing and cooperation between the Districts.

K. LeBlanc noted this would be J. Moriarty's last meeting as a PC member. K. LeBlanc explained the purpose of the letter to the Granby Selectboard is to acknowledge the delay to District 2 tax rates due to Granby's late date for the Tax Classification Hearings.

J. Moriarty made a motion to sign and send the letter to Granby in a good faith effort to get the Tax Classification information back to us to get things rolling on our end. K. LeBlanc second. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### Executive Session

PC Chair announced there would be a roll call vote to enter executive session in compliance with the provisions of MGL Chapter 30A Section 21(a), subparagraph 1, for the purpose of discussing the results and resolution of an investigation into a complaint against a member of the organization where discussion of the matter in open session would be detrimental to rights and reputation of the individuals involved.

J. Moriarty made a motion to convene in executive session. K. LeBlanc second.

Roll call vote: LeBlanc - Aye Moriarty - Aye Bak - Not present

Chair announced they will return to open session at the conclusion of the executive session.

PC returned to open session and adjourned the open session meeting.

The next Prudential Committee meeting will be Tuesday, February 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Miller, Treasurer

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_