

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022

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

Also Present: Byron Eldridge, Deputy; Mark McCartin, Dowling & O'Neill.

The meeting convened at 6:04 p.m.

Public Comment: None.

Mark McCartin: Mark gave an overview of the District's renewal proposals for the insurance policies for the next Fiscal Year. He discussed the commercial package, commercial auto, workers compensation and pollution liability coverages as well as the values of the buildings, vehicles, water towers, etc. that are covered in our policy. Mark also advised that he felt VFIS did not give sufficient coverage for our cyber liabilities. Mark encouraged that COMM get a separate privacy liability policy. Krystal and our internal IT filled out a questionnaire based on our needs and we are waiting on a quote for this policy.

Chief Winn: Chief Winn briefly discussed the uptick in covid related calls and employee's out sick with covid. Covid precautions are still in place for the staff and for any covid related calls. Chief Winn stated they have made conditional offers for two new hires who are expected to start working July 4th 2022, Brianna Griffin, firefighter, and Paul Sparrow, firefighter/paramedic. Chief Winn stated the committee went through about 100 applications, and had about 20 first interviews. Michael Grossman, Fire Prevention Officer, will be retiring July 31st 2022, and firefighter Shawn Lehane will start training on July 1st 2022. Chief Winn gave a brief department update.

Byron Eldridge: Byron stated he has been going through some of the equipment that has been in the basement for about a decade that is now obsolete to us and we cannot use. There are about thirty radios ranging from the 1950's to the 1990's.

**David Lawler made a motion to take the list of old equipment and declare it surplus.
Carlton Crocker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Carlton Crocker: Carlton Crocker read and discussed the audit report. Carlton addressed items for each department to consider. There was a discussion amongst the board.

Craig Crocker: Craig distributed a draft of the pumpage report. There was a discussion about the pumpage throughout the months of the past 3 years. Craig gave a department update. The water techs are out on the road getting the meter readings for the July bi-annual water billing. The water quality reports will be going out with the billing. There was a discussion amongst the board about projects going on in the water department. Craig stated that he and Doug Murphy

are in negotiations with Weston & Sampson for designing a new water treatment facility. Craig stated that at his next water board meeting they will be discussing the water rate study and bringing in a consultant.

Krystal Abrams: Krystal wants to revisit the nomination paper policy that was revised on April 6, 2022.

David Lawler marked for the record, Centerville-Osterville- Marstons Mills Fire District Prudential Committee Policy no. 2022.001, to summarize it involves an internal process of getting papers to the elected official for either water, fire or prudential boards and lays out precisely what has to be done by any prospected candidate or any candidate seeking re-election be treated the same. David moved we adopt the policy as written. John Lacoste seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Krystal stated we need to elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman.

David Lawler made a motion to nominate Carlton Crocker as Chairman. John Lacoste seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

John Lacoste nominated David Lawler as Vice Chairman. Carlton Crocker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

David Lawler made a motion to increase the Chairman's stipend to \$6000.00 a year. John Lacoste seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There was a discussion amongst the board for the new streetlight contract.

John Lacoste made a motion to adopt Pine Ridge as our streetlight repair provider. David Lawler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Krystal distributed the appropriations and expenditures report to date. We have two Warrants left and an accrued payroll. We will be inside the budget for this Fiscal Year.

Carlton Crocker made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2022 meeting as printed, John Lacoste seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting: July 13, 2022 at 6:00pm.

Public Comment: None

Carlton Crocker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. John A Lacoste seconded the motion. It was a unanimous vote.

**Alexandra Jackson, Assistant
Clerk/Treasurer**