

CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS FIRE DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2017

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PRESENT: Carlton B. Crocker, John Lacoste, David V. Lawler, Prudential Committee; Judith Sprague, Clerk/Treasurer; Krystal Abrams, Assistant/Clerk Treasurer; Michael Winn, Chief,

Also Present: J. Douglas Murphy, Attorney, Jim Crocker, Resident/Town Councilor

The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment: None

Craig Crocker: Not Present.

Jim Crocker: Jim Crocker brought a summary (attached) for appropriation and transfer order of \$30,000 from General Fund Reserves from the Town of Barnstable to evaluate, design and permit a municipal pier in the Three Bays Area. Emergency responders have historically had to pay for space along private docks to locate their boats within the three bays area. Marine services, dredge maintenance program, aquaculture program and comprehensive water management program will benefit from a municipal pier in the three bays area. It would strictly be for town use and emergency responders and will be protected with a gate. There is no price so there is no commitment right now but just to see if the theory of a dock for emergency responders is acceptable to the District.

David V. Lawler made a motion that we agree to have further discussions with the Town of Barnstable about installing the emergency dock and that COMM would look favorably upon entering into a mutually agreeable relationship with the town. John A. Lacoste seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Winn: Chief Winn informed the Prudential members on the ladder truck project, that Deputy Eldridge and Dave Scott flew to Wisconsin today to review the ladder truck as it is disassembled at the manufacturing plant before they reassemble it and bring it back. It should be back here and in service by the first of the year. Also since we have many new members, the manufacturer is going to provide operator training for operating the truck, to provide everyone with a fresh start driving the truck. The Chief also mentioned that on Monday, October 16th they will be holding a recognition ceremony at 5:00pm to tie into fire prevention week, as well as the new 1930 Model A pumper that originally belonged to COMM Fire was bought by the COMM Firefighters Association.

Judy Sprague: Judy distributed a quarterly report from Bartholomew on our earnings for the OPEB account. Judy brought up a discussion if we intend to have a special meeting to change some of our FY 2018 articles, so we don't have to raise as much to help with the shortfall. There was much discussion about the understanding of the shortfall and the progress of the bill going through legislature. Options were discussed as well as a potential date for the special meeting.

David V. Lawler made a motion to authorize to advertise for the special meeting for the purposes of borrowing as indicated and that the date be set by the chairman subject to review and approval of the auditor. And if necessary the Prudential Committee will have a new meeting if need be. John A. Lacoste seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The date for the tax classification meeting in November was also discussed as well as the location and quorum for the special meeting.

David V. Lawler made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2017 meeting as printed, John A. Lacoste seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting: Date will be determined at a later time.

John mentioned his concern that at the special meeting there should be someone to take the lead to answer any questions, considering there is great confusion understanding the shortfall matter. Doug also mentioned that he has minutes from a previous executive session, so that at the next meeting if the Prudential members could go into executive session to approve those minutes.

Public Comment: None.

Carlton B. Crocker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. John A. Lacoste seconded the motion. It was a unanimous vote.

Krystal Abrams, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer