



# Centerville-Osterville- Marstons Mills Fire District Annual District Meeting WARRANT ARTICLES

TUESDAY MAY 19, 2026 AT 7:00 P.M.

COMM FIRE DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS, 1875 FALMOUTH ROAD, CENTERVILLE

**FY2027**

**Proposed Budgets<sup>1</sup>**

**And**

**Warrant Articles\***

*\*explanations on articles are for informational purposes only*

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**CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS FIRE DISTRICT  
PRUDENTIAL OPERATION BUDGET**

	Appropriated FY 2025	Appropriated FY 2026	Proposed FY 2027	AMOUNT INC/(DEC)	% INC OR DEC
<b>SALARIES (52 Week Pay Year):</b>					
PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00	0.00%
CLERK/TREASURER	105,560.00	110,838.00	115,830.00	4,992.00	4.50%
ASST. CLERK/TREASURER	61,360.00	64,480.00	67,392.00	2,912.00	4.52%
LONGEVITY PAY/SICK BUYBACK-RETIREMENT	1,160.00	2,340.00	2,300.00	(40.00)	-1.71%
PART-TIME/ELECTION	2,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00%
OVERTIME (Office Staff)	1,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00%
TAX COLLECTOR	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00%
MODERATOR	300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.00%
Subtotal District Salaries	<b>186,380.00</b>	<b>195,958.00</b>	<b>203,822.00</b>	<b>7,864.00</b>	<b>4.01%</b>
<b>DISTRICT EXPENDITURES:</b>					
GROUP INSURANCE	3,477,232.00	3,650,670.00	4,138,600.00	487,930.00	13.37%
HEALTH	3,032,344.00	3,160,150.00	3,480,000.00	319,850.00	10.12%
MEDEX	175,085.00	215,448.00	340,000.00	124,552.00	57.81%
DENTAL	124,406.00	122,909.00	130,000.00	7,091.00	5.77%
LIFE	2,568.00	2,542.00	2,600.00	58.00	2.28%
MEDICARE	136,815.00	143,607.00	180,000.00	36,393.00	25.34%
SOCIAL SECURITY	6,014.00	6,014.00	6,000.00	(14.00)	-0.23%
RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT	1,841,109.00	2,040,807.00	2,369,124.00	328,317.00	16.09%
INSURANCE	438,000.00	396,194.00	444,166.00	47,972.00	12.11% *
FINANCIAL ADVISOR/BANKING	5,000.00	3,000.00	2,500.00	(500.00)	-16.67%
PRINTING & ADVERTISING	12,000.00	9,200.00	9,000.00	(200.00)	-2.17%
ELECTION/ADM	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00%
STREETLIGHTS	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00%
Subtotal District Expenditures	<b>5,823,341.00</b>	<b>6,151,871.00</b>	<b>7,015,390.00</b>	<b>863,519.00</b>	<b>14.04%</b>
CONTINGENCY FUND	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	0.00	0.00%
EDUCATION & PROF. DUES	7,500.00	8,500.00	10,000.00	1,500.00	17.65%
PROFESSIONAL FEES	65,000.00	62,500.00	60,000.00	(2,500.00)	-4.00%
TELEPHONE (Local, Long Dist & Computer T-1 )	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	(2,000.00)	-100.00% all move to IT
OFFICE SUPPLIES	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00	0.00%
OFFICE EQUIPMENT & SERVICES	4,000.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00	0.00%
Subtotal Office Expenses	<b>144,000.00</b>	<b>142,000.00</b>	<b>139,000.00</b>	<b>(3,000.00)</b>	<b>-2.11%</b>
<b>PRUDENTIAL/TREASURER EXPENSES:</b>	<b>6,153,721.00</b>	<b>6,489,829.00</b>	<b>7,358,212.00</b>	<b>868,383.00</b>	<b>13.38%</b>

\*IOD Deductible move to Indemnity Fund

**CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS FIRE DISTRICT  
INFORMATION SYSTEM BUDGET**

	Appropriated FY2025	Appropriated FY2026	Proposed FY2027	AMOUNT INC/(DEC)	% INC OR DEC
<b>SALARIES</b>					
I.T. DIRECTOR	56,000.00	57,200.00	66,000.00	8,800.00	15.38%
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
COMPUTER SYSTEMS - IT SUPPORT SERVICES	98,400.00	102,000.00	112,000.00	10,000.00	9.80%
COMPUTER SYSTEMS - INTERNET SERVICE	5,500.00	5,500.00	18,000.00	12,500.00	227.27%
COMPUTER SYSTEM - SOFTWARE MAINTENANC	53,500.00	56,500.00	56,500.00	0.00	0.00%
SOFTWARE LICENSES (SUBSCRIPTIONS)	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,500.00	500.00	7.14%
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL	10,000.00	10,000.00	6,000.00	(4,000.00)	-40.00%
SUPPLIES	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00%
TELEPHONE SYSTEM SERVICE	4,400.00	4,600.00	12,000.00	7,400.00	160.87%
COMPUTER SYSTEM - EQUIPMENT MAINTENAN	18,400.00	18,400.00	18,400.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>INFORMATION SYSTEMS BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>255,700.00</b>	<b>263,700.00</b>	<b>298,900.00</b>	<b>35,200.00</b>	<b>13.35%</b>

**CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS FIRE DISTRICT  
FIRE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION BUDGET**


	Appropriated FY2025	Appropriated FY2026	Proposed FY2027	AMT OF INC. OR (DEC)	% INC OR DEC
<b>APPARATUS &amp; REPAIR</b>					
A. Personnel & Training	92,831.25	83,900.00	86,500.00	2,600.00	3.10%
B. Auto Repair/Maintenance/Service	213,300.00	213,300.00	214,000.00	700.00	0.33%
C. Firefighter Equip, Supplies & Contracts	143,000.00	140,500.00	115,000.00	(25,500.00)	-18.15%
D. EMS	158,250.00	158,500.00	191,000.00	32,500.00	20.50%
E. Fire Prevention, Investigation & Education	33,200.00	34,000.00	34,000.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL APPARATUS &amp; REPAIR</b>	<b>640,581.25</b>	<b>630,200.00</b>	<b>640,500.00</b>	<b>10,300.00</b>	<b>1.63%</b>
<b>BUILDING &amp; UPKEEP</b>					
A. Station & Office Supplies	21,800.00	22,000.00	22,500.00	500.00	2.27%
B. Bldg Services & Contracts	46,600.00	56,000.00	46,450.00	(9,550.00)	-17.05%
C. Bldg , Grounds/Supplies & Materials	75,000.00	77,000.00	85,000.00	8,000.00	10.39%
<b>TOTAL BUILDING &amp; UPKEEP</b>	<b>143,400.00</b>	<b>155,000.00</b>	<b>153,950.00</b>	<b>(1,050.00)</b>	<b>-0.68%</b>
<b>UTILITIES &amp; ADDITIONAL EXPENSES</b>					
A. Fuels/Natural Gas	69,454.00	66,000.00	60,000.00	(6,000.00)	-9.09%
B. Light/Power	76,956.00	75,000.00	92,000.00	17,000.00	22.67%
C. Telephone/Communications	34,000.00	34,000.00	10,000.00	(24,000.00)	-70.59%
D. Legal Services & Public Relations	25,000.00	26,000.00	22,000.00	(4,000.00)	-15.38%
E. Ambulance Billing Service	52,000.00	54,000.00	57,000.00	3,000.00	5.56%
<b>TOTAL UTILITY &amp; ADDITIONAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>257,410.00</b>	<b>255,000.00</b>	<b>241,000.00</b>	<b>(14,000.00)</b>	<b>-5.49%</b>
FIRE CHIEF (includes education, longevity, stipends)	178,232.34	194,062.29	211,500.00	17,437.71	8.99%
DEPUTY CHIEF (includes education, longevity, stipends)	146,968.75	170,212.29	185,500.00	15,287.71	8.98%
ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONN (includes longevity)	205,878.80	211,918.00	222,700.00	10,782.00	5.09%
FIREFIGHTER SALARIES (includes holidays, education, lon	5,223,456.90	6,296,345.96	6,636,460.00	340,114.04	5.40%
DISPATCHER SALARIES (includes holidays night diff, FLS)	345,591.91	407,000.00	395,230.72	(11,769.28)	-2.89%
FIREFIGHTER OVERTIME	1,260,503.70	1,303,000.00	1,370,000.00	67,000.00	5.14%
OTHER OVERTIME (Dispatch/Civilian)	52,187.89	61,000.00	72,500.00	11,500.00	18.85%
HOLIDAY PAY (Moved to Dept Salaries)	348,753.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
FIRE COMMISSIONERS-(\$3000 per commissioner)	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00%
CUSTODIAN	63,211.00	65,891.60	69,000.00	3,108.40	4.72%
MECHANIC	85,696.00	88,192.00	93,475.00	5,283.00	5.99%
MECHANICAL SERVICES/OVERTIME	9,225.00	9,225.00	10,000.00	775.00	8.40%
RETIREMENT BUYOUT	120,000.00	150,000.00	120,000.00	(30,000.00)	-20.00%
TRAINING	31,000.00	42,000.00	52,000.00	10,000.00	23.81%
UNIFORMS FIREFIGHTER	58,500.00	56,000.00	70,000.00	14,000.00	25.00%
UNIFORMS DISPATCH	2,600.00	2,600.00	3,000.00	400.00	15.38%
BURNING PERMIT (DISPATCH)	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
TRANSITION/CONTINGENCY	496,548.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL SALARIES</b>	<b>8,639,353.53</b>	<b>9,066,447.14</b>	<b>9,520,365.72</b>	<b>453,918.58</b>	<b>5.01%</b>
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>9,680,744.78</b>	<b>10,106,647.14</b>	<b>10,555,815.72</b>	<b>449,168.58</b>	<b>4.44%</b>

**CENTERVILLE-OSTERVILLE-MARSTONS MILLS WATER DEPARTMENT  
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION BUDGET**

Operation & Maintenance	Appropriated	Appropriated	Proposed	Amount	% INC
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	INC/(DEC)	OR DEC
CHEMICAL COSTS	327,000.00	327,000.00	327,000.00	0.00	0.00%
D.E.P. ASSESSMENT	11,610.00	10,410.00	10,815.00	405.00	3.89%
ELECTRICITY	342,000.00	342,000.00	342,000.00	0.00	0.00%
EQUIPMENT OPERATING EXPENSES	52,000.00	52,000.00	52,000.00	0.00	0.00%
GENERAL OPERATION	123,900.00	128,000.00	128,000.00	0.00	0.00%
NEW EQUIPMENT	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00%
OFFICE SUPPLIES	52,000.00	53,000.00	53,000.00	0.00	0.00%
PUMP STATIONS	161,000.00	170,000.00	175,000.00	5,000.00	2.94%
SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	65,000.00	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00	0.00%
TELEPHONE	12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00	0.00%
WATER SYSTEM	123,975.00	128,000.00	128,000.00	0.00	0.00%
PROFESSIONAL FEES	12,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>SALARIES</b>					
SUPERINTENDENT	142,506.00	152,618.00	159,486.00	6,868.00	4.50%
ASST SUPERINTENDENT	110,772.00	119,175.00	124,538.00	5,363.00	4.50%
PUMP STATION OPERATOR	73,714.00	78,936.00	82,496.00	3,560.00	4.51%
WATER TECHNICIANS (6)	457,046.00	479,900.00	501,496.00	21,596.00	4.50%
OFFICE PERSONNEL (3)	161,274.00	169,338.00	176,959.00	7,621.00	4.50%
LONGEVITY & CONTINGENCY	41,207.00	26,653.00	21,240.00	(5,413.00)	-20.31%
OVERTIME	99,996.00	99,970.00	99,970.00	0.00	0.00%
WATER COMMISSIONERS	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>BUDGET TOTALS</b>	<b>2,380,000.00</b>	<b>2,440,000.00</b>	<b>2,485,000.00</b>	<b>45,000.00</b>	<b>1.84%</b>
Prudential Costs, Group Health & Business Ir	1,003,830.00	943,421.45	1,085,220.46	141,799.01	15.03%
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>3,383,830.00</b>	<b>3,383,421.45</b>	<b>3,570,220.46</b>	<b>186,799.01</b>	<b>5.52%</b>

**WATER DEPARTMENT BUDGET & ARTICLES**

**FY 2027**

EXPENSES		FUNDING 								Totals	
		Total	Taxation	Auth. To Borrow	Water Income (Estm)	SDC Estm. Recept.	Water Surplus Fund	PFAS Settlement	Transfer from Stabilizaton		Transfer from Available Funds
Article #		Appropriation			3,554,185.44	35,000.00	707,987.47	1,614,738.81	344,920.26	637,535.71	6,894,367.69
3	Water Budget	2,485,000.00			2,485,000.00						2,485,000.00
6	Prior Year Bills	2,946.25			2,946.25						2,946.25
7	Maturing Debt	232,118.66					232,118.66				232,118.66
8	Maturing Interest	16,018.73			16,018.73						16,018.73
	Indirect Costs (toPC)	1,085,220.46			1,050,220.46	35,000.00					1,085,220.46
Sp Articles											
17	Hayden wells	402,944.00					146,868.00		256,076.00		402,944.00
18	New Truck	84,295.67					76,000.00		8,295.67		84,295.67
19	OPEB Liability Trust	75,000.00					75,000.00				75,000.00
20	Reserve Account	45,636.45							45,636.45		45,636.45
21	Asset Plan	78,000.00					78,000.00				78,000.00
22	PFAS Facility	818,368.98					100,000.81	390,840.58		327,527.59	818,368.98
23	PFAS Stabilization	1,223,898.23						1,223,898.23			1,223,898.23
		6,549,447.43	0.00		3,554,185.44	35,000.00	707,987.47	1,614,738.81	0.00	637,535.71	6,549,447.43
	<b>REMAINING</b>				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	344,920.26	0.00	344,920.26

**May 19, 2026**

**NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING  
AND  
ANNUAL MEETING WARRANT**

**Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills Fire District**

**Town of Barnstable**

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**To the Clerk of the Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills Fire District:**

**Greetings:**

You are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Barnstable residing within the territory comprising the Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills Fire District, qualified to vote in the District elections and affairs, to meet on Monday, May 18, 2026, at the Centerville Fire Station, 1875 Falmouth Road, Route 28, Centerville, Massachusetts, where the polls shall open at 8:00 a.m., and close at 7:00 p.m., and then and there to vote upon the following officers, to wit:

One Prudential Committee Member for three years  
One Water Commissioner for three years  
One Fire Commissioner for three years

And to meet on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at the Centerville Fire Station, Centerville, Massachusetts, at 7:00 p.m., to act upon the following articles:

**ARTICLE #1.** To accept the Reports of the Prudential Committee, Information Systems, Fire Commissioners, and Water Commissioners as shown in the book.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

**ARTICLE #2.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$6,272,991.54** and transfer and appropriate from the income of the Water Department **\$1,050,220.46** and transfer and appropriate from the Water System Development Charges **\$35,000.00**, for the ordinary operating expenses of the Prudential Committee totaling **\$7,358,212.00** for Fiscal Year 2027, to be expended under the direction of the Prudential Committee, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

***Explanation:*** This article represents the budget of the Prudential Committee as shown on page 35.

**ARTICLE #3.** To see if the District will vote to appropriate from the income of the Water Department the sum of **\$2,485,000.00**, for the ordinary operating expenses of the Water Department for Fiscal Year 2027, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: This article represents the FY27 budget of the Board of Water Commissioners as shown on pages 38-39.*

**ARTICLE #4.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$8,816,669.55** and transfer and appropriate from the income of the Ambulance Account the sum of **\$1,739,146.17** for the ordinary operating expenses of **\$10,555,815.72** of the Fire Department for Fiscal Year 2027, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: This article represents the FY27 operating budget of the Fire Department as shown on page 37.*

**ARTICLE #5.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$298,900.00** for the ordinary operating expenses of the Information Systems Department for Fiscal Year 2027, to be expended under the direction of the Prudential Committee, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: This article represents the FY27 budget of the Information Systems Department as shown on page 36.*

**ARTICLE #6.** To see if the District will vote to transfer and appropriate from the income of the Water Department the sum of **\$2,946.25** for the payment of prior fiscal year bills as follows:

<i>Envirotech</i>	<i>Water Testing</i>	<i>\$2,667.25</i>
<i>Alarm New England</i>	<i>Alarm Monitoring</i>	<i>\$ 138.00</i>
<i>Alarm New England</i>	<i>Alarm Monitoring</i>	<i>\$ 141.00</i>
<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>		<b><i>\$2,946.25</i></b>

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: This article is a request to pay bills from FY25 that were received after the end of the fiscal year.*

**ARTICLE #7.** To see if the District will vote to transfer and appropriate from Water Surplus the sum of **\$232,118.66**, to pay maturing debt of the Fire District incurred by or for the Water Department, and to transfer and appropriate from Certified Free Cash the sum of up to **\$151,000.00** to pay maturing debt of the Fire District *not* incurred by or for the Water Department as it becomes due and payable during Fiscal Year 2027, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: This article represents the payments for maturing debt that will become due during FY 2027.*

**ARTICLE #8.** To see if the District will vote to transfer and appropriate from the income of the Water Department the sum of **\$16,018.73** to pay accruing interest on the debt of the Fire District incurred by or for the Water Department, and to transfer and appropriate from Certified Free Cash the sum of up to **\$29,020.41** to pay accruing interest on the debt of the Fire District not incurred by or for

the Water Department as it becomes due and payable during Fiscal Year 2027, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: This article represents the payments for the interest that will accrue and become due on District debt during FY 2027.*

**ARTICLE #9.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$36,785.00** to be paid, in accordance with MGL c.41 §108B or other applicable law, to the Town of Barnstable as compensation for assessors, tax collectors and any certified collectors expenses incurred on behalf of the District, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Prudential Committee, or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: The Fire Districts in the Town appropriate \$80,000.00 to the Town of Barnstable each year for the expenses incurred for assessing and tax collection services. This article represents C-O-MM's proportionate share of that amount.*

**ARTICLE #10.** To see if the District will vote to authorize the Prudential Committee to either employ an outside auditor to audit the books and accounts of the District, including those of the Treasurer and Water Department; or to request an audit under the provisions of MGL c.44 §35, for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: It is prudent and customary to ensure that the public's financial interests are monitored, and the auditor ensures that the financial statements are materially correct.*

**ARTICLE #11.** To see if the District will authorize the Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during Fiscal Year 2027, as permitted by MGL c.44 §53F, as amended.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: These are agreements between banking institutions and the District Treasurer for services provided by the banks in consideration for funds on deposit. The Commissioner of Revenue of Massachusetts approves this form of agreement for such procedures.*

**ARTICLE #12.** To see if the District will vote to transfer from Certified Free Cash the sum of **\$750,000.00** to be added to the Fire Apparatus Stabilization Fund established per MGL c.40 §5B at the 2024 Annual District Meeting or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: This fund was established to allow us to put aside monies to mitigate or defray entirely the borrowing costs for upcoming Fire Department apparatus needs, including the purchase of two new pumpers and a new ladder truck.*

**ARTICLE #13.** To see if the District will vote to transfer the balance of the Capital Roof Settlement fund the amount of **\$40,181.12** to be added to the Capital Building Stabilization Fund established per MGL c.40 §5B at the 2024 Annual District Meeting or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

***Explanation:*** This fund was established to allow us to put aside monies to mitigate or defray borrowing costs for any upcoming Capital Building Improvements to the Fire Stations. The Capital Roof Settlement fund was set up in 1996 as a remedy by the contractor for faulty roof tiles that were replaced at the time with shorter life roofing materials. Placing the funds into this stabilization is a legal mechanism suggested by the audit firm to keep the funds segregated for building repairs.

**ARTICLE #14.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate **\$200,000.00**, and vote to transfer from Certified Free Cash funds the sum of **\$800,000.00**, for a total appropriation of **\$1,000,000.00** to be added to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability Trust Fund to apply to the unfunded liability as described in MGL c.32B §20 with the approval of the Prudential Committee or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

***Explanation:*** This article will contribute to the fund established for the liability identified by government accounting standards to provide for Other Post Employment Benefits to current and future retirees and their eligible dependents in accordance with Section 20 of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 32B.

**ARTICLE #15.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$40,000.00** to fund the Injury Leave Indemnity Fund for FY27 or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

***Explanation:*** This article would allow for annual funding of \$40,000 to cover the deductible that must be met before insurance begins covering costs for injured on duty firefighters. This fund was adopted in FY26 to provide a mechanism to pay such costs outside of the operating budgets therefore normalizing the department budgets and reducing impacts due to a long-term injury.

**ARTICLE #16.** To see if the District will vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$43,607.25** of Article 13 of the May 18, 2021 District Meeting to be used for Information Technology Infrastructure upgrades in the District or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Prudential Committee, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

**ARTICLE #17.** To see if the District will vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$250,000.00** from Article 24 of the May 18, 2021 District Meeting and vote to transfer the unexpended balance from Article 16 from the May 17, 2022 District Meeting the remaining balance of **\$6,076.00** and vote to transfer and appropriate from Water Surplus the sum of **\$146,868.00** for a total appropriation of **\$402,944.00** for the design and engineering for the future installation of an iron & manganese treatment facility to be located at the Hayden wellfield located off Old Post Road in Marstons Mills, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners, with the approval of Prudential Committee, or to take any action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

***Explanation:*** This article will allow for the sizing, locating, and conceptual plans of an iron and manganese removal facility located at the Hayden wellfield (Old Post Road in Marstons Mills). DEP approval of the proposed treatment technique was obtained based on the pilot study performed.

**ARTICLE #18.** To see if the District will vote to transfer and appropriate from Water Surplus a sum up to **\$76,000.00** and vote to transfer the unexpended balance from Article 25 of the May 20, 2025 District Meeting of **\$4,918.45** and vote to transfer the unexpended balance from Article 26 of the May

20, 2025 District Meeting of **\$3,377.22** for a total appropriation of **\$84,295.67** for the purchase of (1) utility truck and related equipment, and to sell or trade a 2015 Chevrolet truck to offset the cost of such purchase, whichever is in the best interest of the District, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners, with the approval of Prudential Committee, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* This article will allow the purchase of a new truck through the public procurement process and the sale or trade of a high mileage (125k) vehicle. The new vehicle will have increased fuel efficiency and safety features. Our mechanic has recommended replacement of the vehicle based on a review of the fleet. Funding will be transferred from Water Surplus and the remaining balances of two articles from last year.

**ARTICLE #19.** To see if the District will vote to transfer and appropriate from Water Surplus the sum of **\$75,000.00** to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability Trust Fund to apply to the water department's portion of the unfunded liability as described in MGL c.32B §20, under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners with the approval of the Prudential Committee, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* This article will contribute to the fund established for the liability identified by government accounting standards to provide for Other Post Employment Benefits to current and future retirees of the water department and their eligible dependents in accordance with Section 20 of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 32B.

**ARTICLE #20.** To see if the District will vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$45,636.45** from Article 28 of the May 20, 2025 District Meeting to a reserve fund account. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Prudential Committee, pursuant to MGL c.40 §5C, or to take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* The funds will allow the Department to meet unforeseen obligations after approval of the Prudential & Water Commissioners. While this fund is not directly appropriated to a particular use, unforeseen expenditures do occur such as price increases of supplies and emergency repairs. Transfers may be approved for the use of all or any portion of the fund to meet these unforeseen events.

**ARTICLE #21.** To see if the District will vote to transfer and appropriate from the Water Surplus account the sum of up to **\$78,000.00** for an asset management plan, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* This article will allow the development of a plan to address future capital funding needs, create an asset database, and address succession planning.

**ARTICLE #22.** To see if the District will vote to transfer and appropriate from the PFAS settlement funds the sum of **\$390,840.58**, and vote to transfer and appropriate from the Water Surplus account the sum of **\$100,000.81**, and vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$250,000.00** from Article 20 of the May 17, 2022 District Meeting, and vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$77,527.59** from Article 14 of the May 17, 2022 District Meeting for a total appropriation of **\$818,368.98** for the

engineering, labor, and materials necessary for the construction of treatment facility(s) to remove emerging contaminants from the water supply, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* This article will allow the water department to sub-contract water system facility improvements through the public procurement process. This will continue the upgrade and modifications of the facilities to treat the PFAS detections as needed. The amount requested is based on an estimate to design new facilities and/or modify existing facilities. Funding for this article is to be transferred from available funds, including unrestricted settlement proceeds from class action lawsuits against the manufacturers of PFAS contaminants.

**ARTICLE #23.** To see if the district will vote to transfer the remaining balance up to **\$1,223,898.23** from the PFAS settlement receipts received in FY26 to the Water Stabilization fund.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* The remaining proceeds from the lawsuits will be placed in the water stabilization fund for future needs of treating emerging contaminants.

**ARTICLE #24.** To see if the District will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, to enter into a lease agreement with Industrial Communications Tower & Wireless LLC, with its principle offices at 40 Lone Street, Marshfield, MA 02050, which lease negotiated by the Board of Water Commissioners, and Prudential Committee for the installation and maintenance of wireless communication equipment and facilities under and upon the land and improvements located at 1138 Main Street, Osterville Map 119 lot 9, all in accordance with the Response for Proposal received from the proposed lessee and dated May 1, 2026, or take any other action thereto.

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* The proposal received and evaluated was compared to similar sites and found to be consistent with market rates based on this approach. The ten-year lease has a potential value of \$377,338.00. The lease has been reviewed and approved for signing by our attorney. This is an effort to generate revenue beyond the water meter. The plan is on file at the Prudential office and the Water Department.

**ARTICLE #25.** To see if the District will vote to rescind the authority to issue the following unissued balance of the authorized bond or note pursuant to the vote adopted under the following article to the extent not previously exercised or take any other action relating thereto.

<b>District Meeting</b>	<b>Article#</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
May 18, 2021	#20	\$600,000	Old Craigville Rd Pressure Filtration System

**Requested by the Board of Water Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* This borrowing authorization is no longer needed for the project.

**ARTICLE #26.** To see if the District will vote to establish a special stabilization fund pursuant to MGL c.40 §5B to pay for Fire Department Wages and Expenses including, but not limited to, costs associated with training, equipment, wages, overtime, and benefits for sixteen (16) additional firefighter positions or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* This new stabilization fund is proposed as part of a multi-year plan to fund 16 additional positions for the Fire Department via funding Article 27 for \$1,900,000. Funds not immediately needed to fund costs associated with the additional positions will be deposited into this Fire Department Wage and Expense Stabilization Fund and used in future years to pay for training, equipment, wages, overtime, and benefits for the 16 additional positions. Creating this stabilization fund ensures the tax dollars raised are spent on the 16 additional firefighters.

**ARTICLE #27.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,900,000.00** to pay for the wages, benefits, and expenses associated with hiring sixteen (16) additional firefighters. Of the **\$1,900,000.00**, **\$940,000.00** will be appropriated into the Fire Department Wage and Expense Stabilization Fund established in the previous Article 26 or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* The District seeks to add 16 positions to the Fire Department over the next two years, increasing the annual budget permanently. Since we cannot get all 16 on board at once, we plan to stagger the hiring and training. It will cost \$960,000 for FY27 and what we do not use the first year, we would like to place in a stabilization fund to ensure the funds needed are in place to continue the increase until all 16 are in place. The stabilization fund will help steady further jumps in the tax rate due to the staff increase.

**ARTICLE #28.** To see if the District will vote to borrow and appropriate the sum of **\$476,600.00** and to trade/or sell a 2013 ambulance presently in service, to enable the purchase of a new ALS equipped ambulance and related equipment or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* With a fleet of 5 ambulances our long-term goal is to maintain a sustainable replacement cycle of one ambulance every other year. Due to current manufacturing demand, estimated lead time for a new ambulance is approximately 3 years. Authorizing this purchase now ensures we remain on schedule with our apparatus replacement plan. This proactive approach helps control future costs, avoid extended service life on aging equipment, and supports continued operational reliability for emergency medical services.

**ARTICLE #29.** To see if the District will vote to transfer a sum of **\$240,000.00** from the Capital Building Stabilization Fund for HVAC upgrades and repairs at Station 2 in Oosterville or take any action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation:* The existing HVAC system is in significant need of replacement and is rendered inoperable. Rather than continuing with temporary, short-term repairs or window units, the Department is looking to fully replace the system with a more reliable and cost-effective long-term solution.

**ARTICLE #30.** To see if the District will vote to transfer from Certified Free Cash a sum of **\$171,162.63**, and vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$111,967.67** from Article 27 of the May 17, 2022 District Meeting, and vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$2,776.85** from Article 22 of the May 16, 2023 District Meeting, and vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$3,272.95** from Article 22 of the May 21, 2024 District Meeting, and vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$187.34** from Article 24 of the May 21, 2024 District Meeting, and vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$4,127.33** from Article 22 of the May 20, 2025 District

Meeting, and vote to transfer the unexpended balance of **\$1,505.23** from Article 23 of the May 20,2025 District Meeting for a total appropriation of **\$295,000.00** for the purchase of six (6) new LifePak 35 cardiac monitors and defibrillators, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Fire Commissioners with approval of the Prudential Committee or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: The department's current LifePak units are aging and by replacing them all at this time we can take advantage of manufacturer incentives and trade-ins, reducing overall replacement costs.*

**ARTICLE #31.** To see if the District will vote to transfer from Certified Free Cash the sum of up to **\$50,000.00** to replace aging furniture throughout the Fire Department Headquarters Building or take any other action thereon.

**Requested by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Recommended by the Prudential Committee**

*Explanation: The proposed plan is to replace all classroom desks, function chairs and tables, conference room chairs, and miscellaneous coffee and end tables in public areas. The station serves as a workspace for personnel, as well as a central hub for public access, classrooms, functions, and general foot traffic*

**HEREOF FAIL NOT** to make due return of the Warrant and your doings thereon at said meeting. Given under our hands this first day of May, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty Six.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

**Carlton Crocker, Chairman**

**John Lacoste**

**David V. Lawler**

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Clerk/Treasurer, Molly Stevens  
Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills Fire District

