BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS REGULAR & JOINT MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2013

The joint meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners with the Prudential **JOINT MEETING:**

> Committee was held at the 438 Granby Road Office on Thursday, January 17, 2013. Chairman William L. Schenker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

William L. Schenker **ATTENDANCE** Chairman

> Clerk David T. Daly

John A. Mikuszewski Associate Member

Jeffrey A. Cyr Superintendent

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Chairman Kevin Taugher **Gregory Sheehan** Clerk Raymond Miner Associate Member Robert Authier Fire Chief Kurt Schenker Captain Treasurer Monica Walton

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS: The weekly warrants were signed by all Board Members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: William L. Schenker made a motion to approve the minutes of January 8, 2013

This motion was seconded by John A. Mikuszewski.

Motion carried

JOINT MEETING W/

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE: Chief Robert Authier presented the 2 Boards with the Fire Departments proposed

budget for FY 13/14 (See Note 1). Jeff Cyr also presented the 2 Boards with the Water Departments proposed budget for FY 13-14 (See Note 2). Kevin Taugher opened a discussion regarding raises for the Fire District employees. David T. Daly suggested a 1.7% or 2% raise as that is consistent with what social security increases as he thought that was reasonable. Kevin Taugher discussed the impact a 1%, 2% or 3% raise would have on the Fire Department budget and the Fire District tax rate. A 1% employee raise for the Fire Department would increase the budget by \$22,000 and a 2% increase would increase the budget by \$44,000 and a 3% would increase the budget by \$66,000. Gregory Sheehan noted he is not comfortable voting on a raise over 1% as it would impact the tax rate and budget too much and he would prefer not to go beyond a 2.5% budget increase. After a brief discussion about the impact on both budgets, David T. Daly made a motion to give a 1% raise for all district employees, which was seconded by John A. Mikuszewski. Gregory Sheehan made a motion to give a 1% raise for all district employees, which was seconded by Raymond Miner. William L. Schenker

abstained from voting.

Both Motions carried

MOTION TO ADJOURN **MEETING WITH**

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE:

Kevin Taugher made a motion to adjourn their portion of the meeting, which was seconded by Gregory Sheehan. Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT FROM

Meeting with Prudential Committee adjourned at 7:10 p.m. PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE:

REGULAR MEETING:

The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners continued at 7:15 p.m.

COST ESTIMATE FOR NEWTON STREET:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board regarding a previous inquiry from the Board about the cost of updating the old water main on Newton Street (Route 116). The original pipe was installed in 1953. Jeff contacted Tony DaCruz of Tighe and Bond to come up with a cost estimate for approximately 6000 ft. of Water main from Gerry's Music, at 80 Lamb Street to the intersection of Newton & Lyman Streets (See Note 3). Tighe and Bond's reports included a full width overlay at a cost of \$240,000. Tighe and Bond's report also had some variables that could change. The estimate is between 1.5 and 2.2 million. Jeff Cyr noted that we could also save some money by making our own gravel by milling the trench. There is also 2 culvert crossing we would need to research the depths of. Jeff also noted that we could use the SRF (State Revolving Fund) to help pay for the project, but Tony DaCruz advised against it stating we could Bond the money needed and get a better rate. Currently we are responsible for \$65,000 yearly for the Ludlow Facility and have approximately 10 years left to pay on that through our current SRF borrowing.

BOARD SIGNATURES FOR WATER SYSTEM

HYDRAULIC MODEL: Jeff Cyr had the Board sign the original proposal done by Tighe & Bond for

Engineering Services for the Water System Hydraulic Model on our water distribution system (See Note 4). The proposal is for \$27,000 and will be invoiced.

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monthly based on percentage complete

MOTION TO ADJOURN: William L. Schenker made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by John A.

Mikuszewski. Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

David T. Daly, Clerk