

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE  
FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1  
144 NEWTON STREET  
South Hadley, Ma 01075

Minutes September 14, 2022

Location: Fire District Headquarters, 144 Newton Street

Present: Bruce Perron (Chair), Ken Beliveau (clerk) John Wojciechowski (member),  
Chief Bob Authier, Capt. Tom Stark, Terie Fleury (treasurer). and Town Residents.

Call to Order 4:30 pm Bruce Perron. The meeting was recorded.

Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from August 17, 2022, by John second by Bruce. Motion passed, unanimous.

Chiefs Report

August Calls

Fire – 59

EMS – 222

Year to Date

Fire – 380

EMS – 1711

Compared to 2021

Fire – up 45 calls

EMS – up 120 calls

Inspections August 2022

Business - 12

Smoke / CO - 16

Fire Prevention Visits - 26

New Smoke / CO Installed - 10

Lock Boxes - 14

Attended a Veterans Event at Big Y.

FF/PM Jessica Bishop has resigned and went to Southwick as a Deputy Chief.

FF/EMT Chris Dawson will be added to replace FF/PM Bishop.

Lt Roy on sick leave

#### Clerk / Treasurers Report

Workflow in Office going well.

Verizon, credit on account.

Credit card bill with a GoDaddy charge

Petition from the Secretary of State's Office looking for more information on the Water Departments phone, (messages, texts and photos), phones need to be brought it to gather the information from the cell phones. The Verizon account had been closed; a new account has been opened using the same account number with new phone numbers. It is unclear who opened the new account. The information is due in nine days.

Discussion on Go Daddy, Go Daddy manages and assists with web sites. Go Daddy does not do the current fire district web site. Chair knew nothing about a Go Daddy account.

#### Legal Council

Question from former legal counsel, they got in contact with the current legal counsel requesting to do work, represent the Fire District on other departmental matters, such as easements, collections, contracts etc., within the Fire District.

Will be investigated with current legal counsel.

#### Ambulance Adjustments

Motion by John second by Bruce to make an adjustment for the month of July for \$154,361.75. Motion carried unanimous.

Montion by John second by Ken to make an adjustment for the month of August for \$216,776.43. Motion carried unanimous.

#### Clarification of Workplace Activity

Interaction between members is ok to do, such as discussions of personal life.

Employees should not be running a private business while working at or on the district work time.

A discussion was held among board members.

John suggested to review manual yearly and having employees sign that they have had a review.

It was asked that the Water Department handwork be made available to the Prudential Board.

A joint meeting will be held once an agenda has been developed and a date has been picked.

#### Dry Hydrant

A meeting was held with the Water Department Superintendent. Suggested to contact HGE.

Discussions have also been held with the Chief.

Chief stated permission has already been granted for a dry hydrant by HGE.

Discussion on dry hydrant system vs. a cistern.

New Business

None

Good attendance at the 9-11 ceremony.

Next meeting Wednesday October 26, 2022 at 4:30 pm

Motion by Ken seconded by John to adjourn 5:19 pm

Motion carried unanimous

Respectfully Submitted

Kenneth F. Beliveau, Clerk