

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

Minutes October 26, 2022

Location: Fire District Headquarters, 144 Newton Street

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

Clerk / Treasurer's Report

Working on gateway report for free cash

Working on 22/23 Opeb reports

Call member to full time

Signatures are missing on warrants

Chiefs Report

September Calls

Fire – 39

EMS – 196

Year to Date (October 25, 2022)

Fire – 458 (up 4 from 2021)

EMS – 2031 (up 173 from 2021)

Inspections September 2022

Business - 14

Smoke / CO – 22

Lock Boxes – 4

New Smoke / CO Installed - 4

Inspections October 2022

Business - 18

Smoke / CO – 11

Lock Boxes – 3

New Smoke / CO Installed - 5

Events

Capt. Stark participated in CPR/AED awareness at the Friends of Buttery Brook

Pickleball Event October 22

Safe Education was conducted at plains school

The Departments open house is Saturday October 29 from 11-2

Members staffed the SAFE education booth at the Big E

FF Carver and FF Washington were assigned to the Hampden County Search and Rescue team and conducted training in September

LT Houle attended the Fire Prevention and SAFE conferences.

The Regional Dive team with the Hampden County Sheriffs Marine Unit and Medical Response Team conducted disaster training on the Lady Bea at Brunelle's FF Newton, FF Dawson, and FF Gallaspie completed the 6-week training with the Hampshire County 6 program. FF Palmer and FF Newman are currently attending the program.

FF/Medic palmer and FF/EMT Tobin have been added to the call force.

Bruce asked about the evens report for a more information

Questions on Lithium batteries were asked.

Comments on the complaint letter on handicap parking, at the time of construction in 1974 no handicap parking was required.

#### Ambulance Report – Capt Stark

Collected \$104,2421.25

Working on Mutual Aid with Chicopee and Holyoke.

Chicopee paying \$400.00, patient is billed also.

Under Massachusetts regulations on how ambulance will respond.

#### Dry Hydrant

Looking at land on River Road

Discussion and information provided on the project.

Exploring three options, a water line, a dry hydrant connected to the river and a cistern.

A fire department tanker is also being looked at.

There are approximately 50 houses in this area Cove Island, Tiger Lane and River Road.

A special meeting will be held when a final option is approved by the Prudential Board

#### New Business

Discussion on Batteries

Review of complaint letters

Question, will there be any funding provided by the River Road residents for the hydrant project?

Can warrants be paid if they are not signed by all members?

Handicap access, are there any oprtion for moving the meeting offsite to accommodate handicap people attending?

Next meeting, Wednesday November 30 4:30 pm Fire District 1 144 Newton Street

Motion to adjourn at 5:54 pm by Ken second by John unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted

Kenneth F. Beliveau, Clerk