

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING
FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

MEETING DATE: August 19, 2010 6:00 pm

LOCATION: Fire Headquarters, 144 Newton Street, So.Hadley

ATTENDANCE:
Prudential Committee: Edward Wall, Chairman
Raymond Hopfe, Clerk

TREASURER: Margaret St. Martin

INTERIM CHIEF: Brian McClaflin

OTHERS: Mark Beauregard, Bob Blasko, Dennis Hogan, Jim B. Gordon and Jackie, McClaflin, Tom Stark, Monica Walton

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Ed Wall made a motion for the Fire District #1 Prudential Board to enter into executive session with reference to Massachusetts General Law chapter 39, section 23B, sub-section C for the purpose of discussing personnel issues and will reconvene in open session upon completion of that executive session, on the basis of a roll call vote as follows: Raymond Hopfe-yes and Ed Wall-yes. All approved. Executive session began at 6:08.

RECONVENED: Executive session ended at 7:30. Open meeting reconvened at 7:35.

MINUTES: The minutes of July 6 and 28, 2010 were reviewed and approved by all attending board members. Minutes of August 4, 2010 were reviewed and approved by all attending board members with the additional insertion to be added.

WARRANTS: Payroll and Bill Warrants were signed and approved by all attending board members.

ABATEMENTS: Ambulance abatements were signed and approved by all attending board members.

LETTER FROM
FIRE DISTRICT 2: The Prudential Board received a letter from Fire District #2 about possible merger discussions. See letter.

BUISNESS: Interim Chief McClaflin approached the board with a letter with the recommendation to appoint James Beauregard as acting captain with pay difference. See letter.

Ray Hopfe made a motion to appoint James Beauregard as acting Captain with pay difference. Seconded by Ed Wall. All approved.

Interim Chief McClaflin supplied the board with graphs on how many fire/ambulance calls the district did in July 2010. See reports.

Interim Chief McClafin was approached by Meg St. Martin about the car allowance. Chief McClafin does not wish to use his personal vehicle for Fire Department business and will not be taking the car allowance. Chief McClafin is looking into the possibility of purchasing a vehicle for the department through state excess property. Granby just purchased a vehicle this way.

Interim Chief McClafin is looking into purchasing a cell phone for the Chief position.

Chase St. Andre has passed is paramedic exam and physical. He will be taking the PAT early next month and will hopefully be hired by the end of September.

Chief Judd's Retirement party will be Friday, September 17, 2010.

Ed Wall asked Brian how things have been going since taking the interim Chief position. Brian answered very well and he is happy to have Barry working with him.

Gordon McClafin wanted Ed Wall to verify that Brian is just an interim Chief. Ed Wall agreed with that.

NEW AMBULANCE: Kurt Schenker would like to start looking at ordering a new ambulance. He would like to see something ordered by January 2011. The oldest ambulance is 17 years old. Ed Wall said it should be discussed between Kurt and the Chief and then brought before the board.

MOTION TO
ADJOURN: Raymond Hopfe made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Ed Wall.
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Raymond Hopfe, Clerk