

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING
FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

MEETING DATE: December 17, 2009 6:00 pm

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

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

Treasurer/Clerk: Meg St. Martin

Fire Chief: Bill Judd

OTHERS: Jackie Wall, Kurt Schenker, Jeff Cyr and Mark Beauregard

MINUTES: The minutes of November 17, 2009 were reviewed and approved;
Raymond Hopfe made a motion to approve, seconded by Raymond Miner.
Motion carried.

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

AMBULANCE UNCOLLECTED:
October and November uncollectable from Medicompts were reviewed
and signed by all attending board members.

HANDBOOK, CONSULTANT,
INSURANCE: Mark Beauregard will continue the review of the handbook. He will make
recommendations to the board on any additions or changes that he feels
necessary. (see letter)

Ed Wall made a recommendation that the District looks into the state
insurance GIC. It was decided that the board would invite John Lillis of
Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust to come to a meeting and
explain our current policy. After this meeting it will be decided on
whether or not to look into GIC.

Ed Wall recommends that the district brings in a consultant to review the
current fire departments operation. Due to the growth and changes of the
fire department Ed wants to make sure that the department is running as
efficiently as possible.

Ray Miner made a motion to bring in a consultant to study the operations of the fire department to see if there are any areas to make improvements and run the department more efficiently. The consultant will then make recommendation to the board. Ray Hopfe seconded. Vote: Unanimously approved. Motion carried.

FEDERAL GRANT
HIRING:

18 applicants took the exam in early December, 11 passed. Interviews were held on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The chief is waiting for CORI checks to return on the top three applicants. Once that is complete physical will be set up. All three are MA paramedics, 2 are firefighter trained and 1 has some firefighter training. Expected hiring time is the end of January.

ROOF:

The material is on the roof Adam Quenville Roofing will begin the job on Monday.

TOWN AMBULANCE
ACCT:

There will be a meeting January 12, 2010, 7:00pm in the high school Auditorium. Including the town and both Districts.

OPEN MEETING LAW: Meg will be setting up training for the prudential board, water commissioners and department heads.

LETTER:

A letter by the United Methodist Church in South Hadley was sent to Chief Judd. A second, follow up letter was sent to Ed Wall. Ed Wall replied via e-mail stating that the department holds public meetings and that anyone is welcome. (see attached letters and e-mail)

MOTION TO

Raymond Hopfe made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Raymond Miner

TO ADJOURN:

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Raymond Miner, Clerk