

Wareham Fire District Prudential Committee February 2, 2023

Minutes

5:30 PM

Prudential Committee Members: George Barrett, Ron Enos, Rick England, Brian Crocker, Dean Decas

Non-Members: Wendy Lemieux, Chief John Kelley, Chris Smith, Ralph Braley

5:35 PM ***Meeting called to order***

5:36 PM ***Correspondence***

- Motion to approve \$5,855.00 purchase order to Firematic Supply Company, Inc. for four (4) standpipe bag kits. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)
- Motion to approve \$7,882.14 purchase order to John Hoadley and Sons, Inc. for 250' DI pipe and hydrant anchor tree. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)

5:37 PM ***Minutes***

- Motion to approve minutes from December 22, 2022. Motion Brian, second Rick (4-0-1) Ron abstained

5:38 PM ***Clerk / Treasurer's Report***

- Discussion regarding Powers and Sullivan completing audit
- Hart Insurance projecting rate increase of 5%-8%
- Mayflower Municipal meeting on February 8, 2023 to finalize insurance rates.

5:43 PM ***Chief's report (see attached)***

6:20 PM Fire Department Budget

- Motion to approve Fire Department. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)
- Motion to approve Fire Department Mechanic's Budget. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)

6:25 PM Fire Department Articles

- Motion to vote favorable action on the purchase of thermal cameras and related equipment for \$22,000. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)
- Motion to vote favorable action on the purchase of 2 additional mobile column lifts to accommodate the new tower for \$23,000. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)
- Motion to vote favorable action on the purchase of computers and server for \$35,000. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)
- Motion to vote favorable action on the purchase of dive gear and dry suits for \$30,000. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)
- Motion to vote favorable action on the purchase of station alerting system for \$38,000. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)
- Motion to vote favorable action on the purchase of uniforms and related equipment for call firefighters for \$15,000. Motion Ron, second Brian (4-1-0) George not favorable action
- Motion to vote favorable action on the purchase of a new engine pumper for \$1,055,254.00. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)
- Motion to vote favorable action on the purchase of access control system and security cameras for \$45,000. Motion Ron, second Brian (5-0-0)

7:43 PM Public Comment

- Chris Smith commenting in the manner the Executive Session was posted
- Chris Smith commenting on the way the budget is dispersed during the year
- Chris Smith requesting the District follow the federal government end of Covid-19 declaration on May 11.

7:49 PM Motion to go into executive session for Exemption #3 – To discuss strategy with regards to collective bargaining if the Chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body

- **Vote:** Dean: Yes, Brian: Yes, Rick: Yes, Ron: Yes, George: Yes

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| Vote Date: | 2/9/23 |
| Approve | 4 |
| Disapprove | 0 |
| Abstain | 0 |

Chairman *Steve T. Burnett*

Clerk *John H. Cross*

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Chief's report for week ending February 4, 2023

Monday January 23rd

- Mandatory CPR training was conducted.

Tuesday January 24th

- Roof leak at station 4 in the apparatus bay was discovered.
- Car 7 out of service for maintenance.

Wednesday January 25th

- Fuel pump site visit with Green site services at 2550 Cranberry Hi-way.

Thursday January 26th

- C-1, Engine 5 conducted station coverage for Duxbury Fire.
- School safety meeting was held with C-3.
- Car 7 back in service

Friday January 27th

- Fuel pump site visit with Mass Tank at 2550 Cranberry Hi-way.
- Fuel pump site visit with Dependable petroleum at 2550 Cranberry Hi-way.

Saturday January 28th

- Notified of two employees out with Covid 19.

Monday January 30th

- Meeting with water superintendent and Pastore excavating at County Rd. Recycling regarding after action of December Fire to discuss concerns and action plan.

Tuesday January 31st

- Attended SRPEDD meeting with Wareham Public Safety officials to discuss concerns within the community to include input on dangerous intersections and other roadway concerns.

Wednesday February 1st

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- Attended Plymouth County Chiefs meeting in Plympton regarding the upcoming implementation of NERO's Law.
- Station 1 roof continues to leak, several more leaks were discovered after this week's weather.

Thursday February 2nd

- Attended Homeland security meeting to discuss the purchasing of Positive Pressure Fan trailer that would be a regional asset in the event of a large scale incident for all of Plymouth County Departments.