

TURNERS FALLS FIRE DISTRICT
Motions
ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING
June 16, 2020

ARTICLE 1. Moved that the District accept the reports of the District Officers as published and the reports of any committee appointed by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 2. Moved that the District authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Prudential Committee and Water Commissioners to borrow monies from time to time in anticipation of revenue or water rates for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and issue such note or notes therefore, payable one (1) year within and renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 3. Moved that the District require a bond from a fidelity company for its Treasurer.

ARTICLE 4. Moved that the Moderator read the amounts for the purpose of **operating said District** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021 with such amounts to be raised and appropriated under this article, and unless objection is made, the total of such recommended in the report of the Finance Committee shall be tentatively accepted as **appropriated for the purpose stated**. If objection is made to any approval, such appropriation shall be taken separately and the amount thereof and the manner of making the same shall be determined by vote of the Meeting and tentatively accepted. One vote shall be taken appropriating the total amount so accepted not to be exceeded. To meet these appropriations:

\$ 2,395,315 Shall be taken from **Taxation**
\$ 70,200 Shall be taken from **Ambulance Revenue**
\$ 633,015 Shall be taken from **Water Revenue**
\$ 3,098,530 Total

ARTICLE 5. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a used replacement **ambulance**, including any incidental or related costs, and to meet this appropriation the following **Special Article unexpended balance** be transferred for this purpose:

<u>Acct no.</u>	<u>Orig Art# and Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-250-2891	Art. 5, 4/17/2018	Replacement Ambulance	\$ 5,266
Additional Amount to be taken from Ambulance Surplus			<u>\$ 44,734</u>
Total Appropriation			\$50,000

ARTICLE 6. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$21,200** for the purpose of funding the District's match for a grant for the purchase of Fire Department air packs, including any incidental or related costs, and to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from **Free Cash**.

ARTICLE 7. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$20,000** for **future unused vacation and sick time for retiring Fire Department personnel** and to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from **Free Cash**.

ARTICLE 8. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** for the purpose of **driveway repairs including blacktopping at the Fire Station**, including any incidental or related costs, and that this amount be taken from **Overlay Surplus**.

ARTICLE 9. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$295,000** for the **purchase of existing streetlights** and the **upgrading to LED streetlights**, including any incidental or related costs, and that to meet this appropriation:

\$130,000 Shall be taken from Overlay Surplus
\$ 25,000 Shall be taken from Stabilization
\$ 20,000 Shall be taken from Water Surplus
\$ 175,000 Total to be transferred

\$ 120,000 Balance from Borrowing
\$295,000 Total Appropriation

A two-thirds majority vote is required for funds transferred from Stabilization and the borrowing.

The Prudential Committee is recommending a five-year loan for this purpose, with five equal payments of \$29,000 for this purpose.

ARTICLE 10. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$100,000** to the **Stabilization Fund** and that amount be taken from **Overlay Surplus**.

ARTICLE 11. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$40,000** for the **future roof replacement** at the **Water Department and District Office**, including any incidental or related costs and that to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from **Overlay Surplus**.

ARTICLE 12. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** to the **Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund**, and that to meet this appropriation this amount be taken from **Overlay Surplus**.

ARTICLE 13. Moved that the District **vote to grant at no cost a permanent easement** to the **Town of Montague**, in, on and under all or a portion of land located at 180 Turnpike Road, Turners Falls, as more fully described in the warrant, said parcel now of the Turners Falls Fire District, specifically for the purpose of access and installing, operating and maintaining utilities to two properties of the Town located at 128 Turners Falls Road (new Montague Department of Public Works facility) and at 178 Turnpike Road, Turners Falls

(Montague Police Station), and further to authorize the Prudential Committee to execute any documents and agreements necessary to effectuate the purposes of the article.

ARTICLE 14. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** for **future water main replacements or repairs**, including any incidental or related costs, and to meet this appropriation:

\$ **25,000** Shall be taken from **Water Surplus**
\$ **25,000** Shall be taken from **Free Cash**
\$ **50,000** **Total Appropriation**

ARTICLE 15. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** for **upgrades** to the **water metering system**, including any incidental or related costs, and that to meet this appropriation this amount be taken from **Water Surplus**.

ARTICLE 16. Moved that the District vote to establish the **spending limit** for the revolving fund for **Land Management** for Fiscal Year 2021 at **\$5,000**.

ARTICLE 17. Moved that the District transfer from available unappropriated funds the sum of: **\$0.00** for the Board of Assessors to use for the purpose of reducing District Taxes for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

ARTICLE 18. Moved that the District authorize the Prudential Committee and/or the Water Commissioners to apply for and accept grants from the Federal Government, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or any other source and to expend the same for purposes received without further appropriation.