

Minutes of Prudential Committee Meeting
February 25, 2016

Present: David Zamojski, Chairman, Prudential Committee
Jay DiPucchio, Prudential Committee Member
Rich Kuklewicz, Prudential Committee Member
Bob Escott, Fire Chief
Eileen Tela, District Accountant

Meeting called to order at 5:06 p.m. at the Fire Station.

Minutes of prior meetings– Minutes were approved for the February 1st meeting.

Invoice warrants – were reviewed and signed by the Prudential Committee.

Chief's Report

There were 82 calls in February so far, with 7 transports. Five letters were sent out by the Chief regarding old ambulance receivables before being turned over to collections.

It was decided to go forward with presenting a budget to our taxpayers requesting 2 additional firefighters. Bob reviewed the new fire budget, with these two additional staff members. We will also have on hand at the annual meeting the fire and general government budgets, without the two additional firefighters.

Special Article funding:

1. Deputy vehicle – \$50,000 from free cash
2. Stabilization fund transfer for fire vehicle - \$50,000 from taxation
3. Retiring Chief's unused vacation and sick leave - \$40,000 from free cash
4. Used Ambulance -\$60,000 total - first year's lease payment from ambulance surplus
5. OPEB - \$20,000 from free cash

Free cash as of 7/1/2015 is \$320,482, which includes ambulance surplus of \$30,886. Discussion followed about the need to request from taxation some of the articles.

The Ambulance budget for FY2017 was reviewed. FY2016 budgets are on track.

Chief will be retiring during the next fiscal year, not sure exactly when yet.

Bob will be in touch with the local newspapers to get the word out about additional staffing.

Accountant's Report

The FY17 General Government budget was reviewed, with the added staff expenses included, and also the debt service budget was reviewed.

Annual meeting will be Tuesday, April 19th and annual elections will be held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

Prudential Committee met immediately afterwards with the union to discuss contract negotiations.