

Minutes of Prudential Committee & Finance Committee Meeting
June 03, 2019

Present: David Zamojski, Chairman, Prudential Committee
John Greene, Prudential Committee
Allyson Chabot, Prudential Committee
Eileen Tela, District Accountant
Steve Constantine, Finance Committee
Steve Ellis, Town of Montague Administrator
Chris Mason, Montague Energy Committee
Mark Fisk, Montague Center Lighting District
Rebecca Sabelawski, Montague Center Lighting District

Meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m. Fire Chief was unable to attend meeting.

Minutes were approved for the meeting of May 7th.

Invoice warrants were reviewed and signed.

Town of Montague Highway Garage – Steve Ellis presented licensing agreement for the Town’s shared driveway access with our District that is needed to move forward with the Town’s highway garage to be built near our fire station. This agreement would also allow utility access. An easement will be presented to our voters at our next district meeting. Prudential Committee had reviewed this previously and David Zamojski made motion to accept and sign agreement. John Greene seconded. All in favor. License agreement was signed by the Prudential Committee and will be signed by the Town’s Selectboard. Steve Ellis left at this time.

Streetlights – We sent out new request for quotes for LED streetlight information, since the original quotes were much higher than our awarded grant of \$12,500. The new requests eliminate the audit portion. We received two new quotes. LightSmart proposed fees of \$12,500 and the optional GIS layer with an audit for \$10,700. Graeme Lister Consulting proposed \$5,528 and an optional fee of \$4,490 for a GIS layer, with no audit. An additional quote may be received within the next several days.

After discussion it was decided to ask both parties to attend our next meeting. References will be reviewed. Chris Mason, Mark Fisk and Becca Sabelawski left at this time.

By-laws – We had drafted some bylaws using Centerville, Osterville and Marston Mills Fire and Water District (COMM) as a guide. We will continue to work on these.

Old ladder truck - Chief relayed message that he has received \$3,000 offer on old ladder truck. 911 Fund is where we had previously donated an old pumper, but this fund no longer exists. David made motion to declare old ladder truck as scrap. John seconded. All in favor.

Promotional Interviews – Tuesday August 6 or Wednesday August 7 was suggested for promotional interviews for the Deputy Chief’s replacement and the back fill position.

American Fidelity Assurance Co. – Representative came in and spoke to the Water Department employees and those employees have now all signed individual agreements for healthcare benefits for FY20 as part of the Section 25 Cafeteria plan documentation.

Budgets – Discussion was held on moving lease payments on new fire vehicle to the fire budget and using the Houston-Galveston Area Council cooperative purchasing program in the future. We will invite Pat Squillante from Melanson Health to attend a meeting, possibly our next meeting, for clarification of a few issues related to this.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 18, at 5:15 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.