

TURNERS FALLS FIRE DISTRICT
Motions
SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING
March 27, 2021

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, 2021 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 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.

ARTICLE 5. Moved that the Moderator read the amounts for the purpose of **operating said District** for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 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:

\$ 2,443,190 Shall be taken from **Taxation**
\$ 84,900 Shall be taken from **Ambulance Revenue**
\$ 647,730 Shall be taken from **Water Revenue**
\$ 3,175,820 Total

ARTICLE 6. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$125,000** for the purpose of **purchasing emergency communication radios and equipment**, 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 authorize the Prudential Committee to **enter into a lease for purchase agreement** in accordance with the provisions of G.L.c.44, sec 21C for a

period in excess of three years to **purchase and equip an ambulance** and to fund the first year lease payment for this agreement as follows:

The following **Special Article unexpended balance** shall be transferred for the purpose of funding the first year payment, with an additional amount taken from Ambulance Surplus:

<u>Acct no.</u>	<u>Orig Art# and date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-250-2891	Art. 5, 6/16/20	Replacement Ambulance	\$50,000
Additional Amount from Ambulance Surplus			<u>\$20,000</u>
Total Appropriation			\$ 70,000

A two-thirds majority vote is required for the authorization of a lease-purchase agreement. The Prudential Committee is recommending a five-year lease-purchase for this purpose, with four additional equal payments of \$39,000.

ARTICLE 8. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$29,200 for unused sick pay** to the **retiring Fire Chief** and to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from the following **unexpended Special Article**:

<u>Acct no.</u>	<u>Orig Art# and date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1-250-5909	Art. 5, 6/16/20	Unused Sick Pay	\$10,058
Additional Amount from Free Cash			<u>\$19,142</u>
Total Appropriation			\$29,200

ARTICLE 9. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$15,600 for unused vacation pay** to the **retiring Fire Chief** and to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from the following **unexpended Special Article**:

<u>Acct no.</u>	<u>Orig Art# and date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1-250-5909	Art. 5, 6/16/20	Unused Vacation Pay	\$10,019
Additional Amount from Free Cash			<u>\$ 5,581</u>
Total Appropriation			\$15,600

ARTICLE 10. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$50,000 for future water main replacements or repairs**, including any incidental or related costs, and that 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 11. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** for the purpose of **upgrades** to the **water metering system**, including any incidental or related costs, and to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from **Water Surplus**.

ARTICLE 12. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** for the purchase of a **new truck** for the **Water Department**, including any incidental or related costs, and to meet this appropriation that the following **unexpended Special Article** amount be transferred for this purpose:

<u>Acct no.</u>	<u>Orig Art# and date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4-450-5921	Art. 14,, 4/18/19	Mowing tractor	\$ 386
		Additional Amount from Water Surplus	<u>\$49,614</u>
		Total Appropriation	\$50,000

ARTICLE 13. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$30,000** in additional funds for the **roof replacement** of the **Water Department and District Office**, including any incidental or related costs, and to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from **Free Cash**.

ARTICLE 14. Moved that the District vote to establish the **spending limit** for the revolving fund for **Land Management** for Fiscal Year 2022 at **\$5,000**.

ARTICLE 15. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$6,800** for unused vacation pay to the retiring **District Accountant** and to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from **Free Cash**.

ARTICLE 16. Moved that the District appropriate the sum of **\$4,250** for unused sick pay to the retiring **District Accountant** and to meet this appropriation that this amount be taken from **Free Cash**.

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, 2021 through June 30, 2022.