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Joint Meeting of the Prudential Committee, Water Commissioners and Fire Station Building Committee

Meeting Date: December 12, 2019

Meeting Time: 5:00PM

Location: 15 Sand Pond Road, Onset

1. Open Meeting with Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman of the Prudential Committee Pamela Pike opens the Prudential Committee meeting at 4:10PM. Present are Charles Klueber Clerk, Marcine Fernandes Member, Mary E. McCoy Clerk-Treasurer, Melissa Goodell Recording Secretary, Chief Goodwin, Deputy Osswald, Captain Andersen, Linda Gay Citizen, Joe Sullivan OPM, Mike Cresta, Ted Liverious and Bill Sweeney of BC Construction.

Acting Chair Diane DiStolfo opens the Fire Station Building Committee at 5:30PM. Present are Len Gay, Marcine Fernandes, Chief Goodwin, and all those listed above. Absent David Halberstadt, Ed Ransom, Chair Frank Kowzic. The Meeting for the Water Commissioners is cancelled.

Pamela Pike Motions to go into Executive Session at 4:10PM under M.G.L. c30A Section 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel namely Howard Andersen. Charles Klueber seconds the motion, vote 3-0-0. Pamela Pike yes, Marcine Fernandes yes, Charles Klueber yes.

3. Approval of Minutes: Prudential Committee, Water Commissioners, Fire Station Building Committee

Marcine Fernandes motions to accept the Minutes of November 14, 2019. Charles Klueber seconds the motion, vote 3-0-0.

Len Gay motions to accept the Fire Station Building Committee Minutes of September 12, 2019. Chief Goodwin seconds the motion, vote 4-0-0.

4. Public Comment on non-agenda items

There is none

5. Chief Engineer's Report and Discussions which may include topics pertaining to personnel, payroll, procurements and operations at the Fire Department

Chief Goodwin states Engine 2 is back from repair.

The Onset Fire Department has received two grants worth a little over \$11,000.00.

6. Fire Station Building Committee:

a. Update from OPM Joe Sullivan regarding the new Fire Station, design and any other business

The Supervising staff of BC Construction introduced themselves to the Committees and stated they are looking forward to the construction of the fire station. There was discussion about when the actual construction on the new Fire Station would begin. Mike Cresta, Owner of BC Construction indicated the trailers should be on-site the following week and they are still waiting on some permit approvals from the town.

Joe Sullivan states he will schedule a groundbreaking ceremony for the Prudential Committee.

Chief Goodwin motions for the Fire Station Building Committee to recommend to the Prudential Committee to hire BC Construction for the building of the new fire station and to give the contract of testing to John Turner Consulting for independent testing. Len Gay seconds the motion, vote 4-0-0.

Marcine Fernandes motions to accept the recommendation of the Fire Station Building Committee and hire BC Construction for the building of the new fire station and to John Turner Consulting for independent testing. Charles Klueber seconds the motion, vote 3-0-0.

7. Water Commissioners: Discussion may include topics pertaining to personnel, financial, procurements and operations at the Water Department.

a. Superintendents Report which may include operation of wells, standpipe, cash flow, meters, water breaks/leaks, repairs and maintenance.

There is no report.

8. Clerk-Treasurer's Report which may include Health Insurance, Retirement and Financial Topics relating to the business of the Onset Fire District.

Mary McCoy states the bond for the new fire station has gone through and the interest rate is 2.1% for 20 years. There will be a discount of \$6,620,000.00.

Charles Klueber reads the agreement letter for the terms of the bond into the record before the Prudential Committee votes to accept it.

Marcine Fernandes seconds the letter of agreement for the terms of the bond, vote 3-0-0.

Mary McCoy states the tax rate has been set at \$2.73, up .11 cents over the previous year.

There is discussion about limiting the use of free cash going forward in order to keep from increasing the tax rate.

9. Items not reasonably anticipated by the chair 48 hours in advance of this meeting

There are none

Marcine Fernandes motions to adjourn the Prudential Committee Meeting at 6:05PM. Charles Klueber seconds the motion, vote 3-0-0.

Len Gay motions to adjourn the Fire Station Building Committee Meeting at 6:05PM. Chief Goodwin seconds the motion, vote 4-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Melissa Goodell Recording Secretary

Prudential Committee:

Pamela Pike Chairman

Charles Klueber Clerk

Marcine Fernandes Member

Fire Station Building Committee:

Frank Kowzic Chairman

Diane DiStolfo Clerk

Linwood Gay Member

David Halberstadt Member

Marcine Fernandes Member

Ed Ransom Member

Chief Ray Goodwin Member

Documents Used: Agenda, Minutes to Meetings, Letter of Agreement for the Bond