

Wallingford Fire District #1
MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING
July 13, 2022

Called to Order:

Kandie called the meeting to order at 6:00pm with Bill Brooks, Kevin Vaughn and Marianne McClure, the clerk/treasurer present.

Agenda Additions/Deletions:

Bill stated that he had spoken with Heather Cleveland who resides on South Main Street. He said that she is having a surface water issue in her driveway when it rains. Heather is going to have her driveway repaved but the concrete sidewalk at the head of her driveway is broken up and sunken in. She stated the contractor would like to dig them out and pave up to the road. Bill made a motion to approve the work, Kandie seconded it as long as Dennis would still be able to plow, with no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Visitors:

Jeff Biasuzzi and Shannon Pytlik

Approval for Minutes:

Kevin made a motion to approve the minutes from June 1, 2022, Bill seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Approval for the Fire District Pay Order:

Kevin made a motion to approve the pay orders as presented and it was seconded by Bill. With no discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Old Business:

Jeff Biasuzzi joined the meeting to discuss the water and sewer permit needed to build his new home. Jeff stated that there is a curb stop there and is wondering why he would need to pay the \$500 connection fee for a new one. He asked the board to discuss a reduction in the cost of the connection fee. Jeff also suggested that the Prudential Committee should clean up their policies and rules and also the fee schedule. Jeff stated that he has submitted all the paperwork needed to the State for his permits but was concerned that we had no refund policy in place in case this fell through with the State. Bill proposed to Jeff that he can submit the applications to the board for review and that when his permit comes in from the State (as long as there are no issues) he can submit the fees at that time. Jeff also stated that the application stated \$1,500 plus \$600 per bedroom to connect to the sewer system and the policies stated \$2,000 plus \$600 per bedroom. Jeff asked that the \$1,500 stay at that rate as it is what is on the application. The board stated they will discuss this in executive session.

Shannon Pytlik joined the meeting as well to discuss some questions she had about adding a bathroom and making the current bedroom bigger. They are adding a studio apartment. The concerns Shannon has are if she is going to be charged the \$600 to add a bedroom when she is only making that bedroom bigger and is adding a bathroom. The second concern was that the Town lists only have her as a 3 bedroom and 3 bathroom when she has a 4 bedroom 2 bathroom. Bill stated that if she is only adding a bathroom and no new bedroom, she would not be charged the \$600. Bill also suggested to do a grievance with the Town to have her house listed correctly. Bill made a motion to not charge Shannon the \$600 fee as she is only making the bedroom bigger, not adding one. Kevin seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

New Business:

The board went over the monthly financials from May and June and signed off on them.

The board set the water and sewer rates for the 1st quarter.

Marianne stated that the lawnmower at the sewer plant stopped working again. This time it is the starter. She stated that she is waiting on a quote from United Ag and Turf. The board discussed options as to would it be cheaper to buy a new lawnmower and/or have someone come out and mow it every couple of weeks. The board asked Marianne to contact United Ag and Turf and see what a new one would cost and also if they would accept trade ins. They also asked Marianne to call FAS trucking to see if they would mow the lawn every couple of weeks and maybe they would give us a discount as they do the plowing every year. This is tabled until the next meeting.

Marianne stated that she had spoken with Mark Barone from the Fire Department. He submitted a couple of quotes for end of year purchases. The first quote is from Reynolds for \$2,961.30 and is for MSA cylinder, Pickhead Axe, Flathead axe, rechargeable flashlights, lighting modules, flares and 2 helmets. The second quote is from CVC Paging for \$2,970.00 and is for 6 Pagers with warranty. Bill made a motion to approve both purchases, Kevin seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Public Comments:

None

Other Business/Announcements:

None

Executive Session:

Kandie made a motion to enter executive session to discuss the water and sewer connection fees for Jeff. Bill seconded the motion. Entered Executive Session at 7:20pm. Came out of Executive Session at 7:32pm with a decision. Bill made the motion to approve a reduction in the water connection fee to \$250 instead of the \$500 fee. Kandie seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0). Bill made a motion to keep the sewer application at \$1,500 plus \$600 per bedroom plus the \$50 filing fee, Kevin seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday August 3, 2022 at 6:00pm at the Fire District Office.

Adjournment:

Bill made a motion that the meeting adjourn and Kevin seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried (3-0). The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marianne McClure - Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved: 08/03/2022