

Wallingford Fire District #1
MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING
September 3, 2025

Called to Order:

Kevin called the meeting to order at 6:00pm with Anthony Petrossi (Tony), Chelsey LaRock and Marianne McClure, the clerk/treasurer, present.

Agenda Additions/Deletions:

Marianne stated that she had received an email from Mark Barone, who is on the Fire Department. Mark told her that the K12 saw was placed in the wrong place and had gotten run over by one of the engines. Mark said he will be getting quotes to see if it can be repaired and a quote on a new one if it cannot be repaired.

Steffanie Bourque from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission joined the meeting. Steffanie has been working with the Town on the sidewalk replacement. They received the last permit they needed last week and are ready to put the project to bid. The only thing they need now is a letter of concurrence from the Fire District. A letter of concurrence is an acknowledgement that the Prudential Committee received the plans and are okay with them. They are going to bid in November. Marianne had forwarded the plans to the board and Chris Hayes (Simon Operation Services) 2 weeks ago for them to review. Kevin asked Steffanie if a water line was to break who would be responsible to fix it. Steffanie stated that the contractor would be responsible. Chris emailed Marianne back and stated that the plans looked good to him. Kevin made a motion to approve the plans and have Marianne write the letter of concurrence and send it to Steffanie, Tony seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Visitors:

Steffanie Bourque

Approval for Minutes:

Chelsey made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on August 6, 2025, Kevin seconded it. Tony abstained as he was not at that meeting. With no discussion the motion carried (2-0).

Approval for the Fire District Pay Order:

Tony made a motion to approve the pay orders as presented; Chelsey seconded it. With no discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Old Business:

Tony reviewed the letter to the homeowners regarding the cutting of the trees/shrubs for the sidewalk plow. He added some comments and a date of November 1st that it needs to be completed by. Letters will go out to the affected homeowners next week.

New Business:

Marianne stated that Engine 1 was out of service and in the shop for repair. She stated that it was possibly the throttle. Chelsey stated that it ended up being a switch. Unsure of the cost of the repair at this time.

Marianne stated that she spoke with Dennis Phillips, caretaker for the Lodge, regarding the rotary rental. Dennis feels that because the rotary was approved the use of the Lodge for free that they should at least pay for the garbage removal as the smell is bad after they leave due to the Lobsters and that the people that come in after them have been complaining of the smell. Marianne stated that trash removal is in the contract that they signed. Tony stated that Dennis should have it removed immediately after they leave regardless of how full it is.

Marianne stated that the siren has not been working again. She said that every time Jeff Duchesne comes down and fixes it, that within a couple days it isn't working again. She got an estimate from Jeff as to what he feels is wrong with it and how much it would cost. Jeff feels it is the motor starter and his estimate to get another motor starter and labor is \$1,677.25. There is no guarantee that this will fix it and parts for the siren are becoming obsolete. The board questioned if it is worth it to keep it running. This has been tabled until the end of this year and they will revisit this then.

Marianne stated that the Fire Department had an emergency purchase. They needed calibration gas at a cost of \$460.00.

Public Comments:

None

Other Business/Announcements:

None

Executive Session:

Chelsey made a motion to enter executive session to discuss a customer that received a water disconnect notice; Tony seconded it. Entered executive session at 6:48pm. Chelsey made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:55pm, Tony seconded it. Since the customer broke the payment arrangement the disconnection will continue to be in effect until the payment is made in full.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 6:00pm at the Fire District office.

Adjournment:

Tony made a motion that the meeting adjourn, Chelsey seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried (3-0). The meeting adjourned at 6:56pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marianne McClure - Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved: 10/01/2025