

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

Called to Order:

Kevin called the meeting to order at 6:01pm with Anthony Petrossi (Tony), Chelsey LaRock and Marianne McClure, the clerk/treasurer, present.

Agenda Additions/Deletions:

Kevin stated that he had received a call from a homeowner on Circular Ave that stated he didn't have any water. He wondered if the Town had shut it off for some reason. Kevin called Marianne who contacted Aaron Johnson from the Water Department. Aaron checked it out and it was nothing to do with the Town. It was the homeowners pressure reducing valve, which is the responsibility of the homeowner to fix.

The board went over the water and sewer rates for the upcoming quarter. Chelsey made a motion to keep the rates the same, Tony seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Marianne stated that Dennis Phillips, caretaker for the Lodge, has requested to purchase a timber claw hook that attaches to the tractor, so that he can move the tree logs when they drop. The cost of the purchase from Home Depot is \$117.98. Chelsey made a motion to approve the purchase, Tony seconded it. With no discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Visitors:

None

Approval for Minutes:

Tony made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on September 3, 2025, Chelsey seconded it. With no discussion the motion carried (3-0).

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:

Kevin asked Marianne if she had told Dennis that he needed to get the garbage dumped immediately after the Rotary rental. Marianne said that she did tell Dennis, and he said he would.

New Business:

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

Marianne stated that Mark Barone from the Fire Department had told her the K12 saw had been put in the wrong place and ran over by a firetruck. The cost for a new K12 Saw is \$2,500.00. Marianne had emailed the board separately regarding the incident and they all agreed separately to purchase the new saw. Marianne stated that she filled out an insurance claim and the insurance company will pay \$1,500.00 which is the amount for the saw, minus the \$1,000.00 deductible. Mark also stated that he needed 2 blades for the saw. Marianne told Mark to go ahead and order them as they are needed. Total cost of the blades is \$351.52. Mark also stated that they needed to order a Large SCBA mask for a firefighter who is attending firefighter 1 and 2. Total cost of the SCBA mask is \$506.08. Kevin made a motion to approve the purchases, Tony seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Marianne stated that the Blowoff by the Firehouse is broken and can either be repaired or terminated. Aaron, from the water department, stated that terminating it is the right thing to do and will save money in the long run. He would need Phil Baker to come and dig, and he would need to purchase a pipe cutter for \$896.95. Right now, Aaron stated that the blowoff runs for 3 ½ months out of the year at 2,000 gallons a day. The cost to run that blowoff is \$2,520.00 for the 3 ½ quarters. By terminating now, this would save money now and in the future. Tony made a motion to approve the purchase of the pipe cutter and to also terminate the blowoff, Chelsey seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Marianne stated that the sidewalk letters were mailed out and that she had some responses that the homeowners would like Marianne to share with the board. Some of the responses were that the letter was harsh, hostile and abrupt. Some people didn't know if the letter pertained to them. One person stated that the letter didn't state the distance they need to cut from the sidewalk. Two others came forward asking why Elm Street wasn't being plowed. Tony stated that Dennis can't get through by all the hedges/shrubs, and Chelsey stated that the sidewalks on Elm Street are horrible to plow and would ruin the tractor.

Public Comments:

None

Other Business/Announcements:

Marianne stated that she had mailed out 13 shut off notices for October.

Executive Session:

Tony made a motion to enter executive session to discuss a customer that received a water disconnect notice; Chelsey seconded it. Entered executive session at 6:28pm. Tony made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:35pm, Chelsey seconded it. Came out of executive session with no action taken.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 15, 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 6:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marianne McClure - Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved: 10/15/2025