

Wallingford Fire District #1
MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING
February 4, 2026

Called to Order:

Kevin called the meeting to order at 6:02pm with Anthony Petrossi (Tony), Chelsey LaRock and Marianne McClure, the clerk/treasurer, present.

Agenda Additions/Deletions:

Marianne stated that a homeowner came into the office and stated that there were floodlights staying on at the fire station 24 hours a day and asked if they could be turned off, due to the cost of electricity. Marianne spoke with Michael Hughes, the Fire Chief, and John Thomson, Deputy Fire Chief, and they stated that there had been some issues with people coming on the property late at night, however, they could purchase some motion sensor lights for \$36.95 at Home Depot. Marianne told them to go ahead and purchase them and informed the board of the purchase.

Anthony found tires for the snow machine at Pete's Tire Barn. Total cost for the tires was \$1,235.00.

Marianne stated that Jill, the Town Clerk, would like the Fire District to put some rugs on the floor of the office as we need to protect the hard wood floors. Total cost of the rugs through Amazon is \$189.92. Tony made a motion to approve the purchase, Chelsey seconded it. With no further discussion the motion carried (3-0).

Tony stated that he met with Lane Simon, Aaron Johnson (both from Simon Operations) and Tailwater Engineering regarding putting an auger system in to make the system more efficient and cost less money in the long run. There are so many rags and garbage that is going into the sewer system that it is costing a lot of money in sludge removal and overtime. The auger system will remove all the rags/garbage. The cost of the auger system is between \$120,000 and \$200,000. This is tabled until the board receives more information from Tailwater Engineering.

Visitors:

None

Approval for Minutes:

Tony made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on January 7, 2026, 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:

Tony stated that the tires for the snow machine have been ordered. He also stated that the brakes were low on brake fluid and that he added brake fluid to the machine.

New Business:

The dates for the Lodge and General Budget meeting have been set for Wednesday, February 18th at 6:30pm in the Fire District office.

Public Comments:

None

Other Business/Announcements:

The Water/Sewer budget meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at 6:30pm in the Fire District office.

Marianne stated that the Fire District office will be closed March 2-9, 2026, as she will be on vacation. If someone has an emergency they will need to contact the board, and if it is water or sewer emergency they will need to contact Chris Hayes. The phone numbers are as follows:

Board members:

Kevin Vaughn – 802-345-1094

Tony Petrossi – 802-342-0829

Chelsey LaRock – 802-236-4430

Water/Sewer emergency:

Chris Hayes – 802-793-9429

Executive Session:

Tony made a motion to enter executive session to discuss a personnel issue, Chelsey seconded it. Entered executive session at 6:02pm. Tony made a motion to come out of executive session, Chelsey seconded it. Came out of executive session at 6:37pm with no action taken.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 6:00pm in the Fire District office. The Lodge and General Budget Meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 6:30pm in 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 7:06pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marianne McClure - Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved: 02/18/2026