

Wallingford Fire District #1
MINUTES OF THE PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING
May 20, 2026

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 received an email from Bob Cook who is on the Fire Department. Bob is looking to purchase a new sturdier flagpole. Bob estimates the cost to be no more than \$500.00. The board tabled this until Bob can receive a quote on paper.

Marianne stated that she filed a claim with VLCT for the water line/paving repair needed on Depot Street. She spoke with Pamela who said that there is an exclusion there for roads, however, Pamela said that she would research this a little more. This is tabled until we hear back from Pamela.

Marianne stated that Engine 3 is now being stored at the Cabin by the Lodge until the board decides what they want to do with it. Tony stated that his son, Anthony, could list it on Garage, Inc for sale. Tony made a motion to have Anthony list Engine 3 on Garage, Inc. for \$30,000.00 OBO, Kevin seconded it. Chelsey abstained. With no further discussion the motion carried (2-0).

Dennis also stated that Engine 1 would need 6 more tires soon. The board tabled this and asked Marianne to invite Mark Barone, Fire Chief, to the next meeting to discuss this and Engine 4.

Tony received the quote from Awesome Graphics for the new firetruck's decals. Estimated cost is \$2,280.75. Tony made a motion to approve the purchase, Kevin seconded it. Chelsey abstained. With no further discussion the motion carried (2-0).

Visitors:

Steffanie Bourque

Approval for Minutes:

Tony made a motion to approve the minutes from the annual meeting on April 14, 2026, Chelsey seconded it. With no discussion the motion carried (3-0). Tony made a motion to approve the regular minutes from April 15, 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:

Marianne stated that she met with MSK Engineers and Chris Hayes regarding the service line inventory. MSK will be mailing the letters out to the homeowners within 2-3 weeks.

Marianne stated that the week of June 9th will be when Depot Street will be repaired. Paving will be done later in the Summer when the Town does the paving. Marianne also stated that she talked to Chris about the pile of dirt at the Firehouse where the blowoff repair was done and Chris told her he was going to be cleaning that up the same week as the Depot Street repairs as they are going to use some of the fill there for Depot Street.

Marianne stated that she had spoken with Lee Underwood and Lisa Edge. Lee and Lisa's water had frozen on Depot Street, and they had no water for about a month due to the freeze up. They then piggybacked off the library for water until their lines could be thawed. Marianne stated that they would like their water bills adjusted more than Marianne adjusted them as they both spent a lot of money to thaw their lines. Lee believes that it is the Town side that made them freeze, however, Aaron Johnson, from Water Treatment Professionals, said that it was not the Town's responsibility. Tony made a motion to give Lee and Lisa a credit of \$120.00 each on their water bill. Kevin seconded it. Chelsey had to leave at 6:50pm, so she did not vote. With no further discussion the motion carried (2-0).

New Business:

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

Steffanie Bourque from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission joined the meeting to discuss if the Prudential Committee would be interested in an Asset Management Plan for the water department only. She also asked if we had run across any problems with the sidewalks being redone. Marianne stated that they had hit 2 curb stops, however, they were not active as they were part of the old system. Other than that, everything seemed fine. Steffanie stated that her office works with the municipal bond bank and the bond bank wants to help smaller water systems. Right now, they have a 100% forgivable loan, up to \$50,000.00, to make decisions about our water system by creating the Asset Management Plan. This would be for a planning document and would minimize surprises. Steffanie said that she would forward Marianne samples of plans to share with the board. Steffanie also stated she has a free tool that would digitalize any maps that we currently have if the board was interested and if it would be of value. She encouraged the Prudential Committee to talk this over with Chris Hayes and get his thoughts. The board asked Marianne to reach out to Chris. This is tabled.

The Fire Department had some purchases that were made as emergency purchases. The new engine, Engine 5, needed tires totaling \$2,671.52; nozzles and chocks totaling \$1,683.60, single outlet receptacle and cover for \$91.72, and the radio and installation totaling \$6,612.73. Kevin stated that these were needed and could be purchased as emergency purchases.

Public Comments:

None

Other Business/Announcements:

There will only be one meeting in June as Kevin is unable to attend the meeting on the first Wednesday in June.

Marianne stated that office will be closed June 1st and June 2nd as her husband is having surgery and she needs to be there.

Executive Session:

None

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 6:00pm in the Fire District office.

Adjournment:

Tony made a motion that the meeting adjourn, Kevin seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried (2-0). The meeting adjourned at 7:19pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marianne McClure - Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved:

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