Wareham Fire District Prudential Committee

Members:

George Barrett, Rick England, Brian Crocker, Joyce Bacchiocchi, Dean Decas Non-Members:

Chief John Kelley, Clerk Treasurer Wendy Lemieux

5:30 pm Meeting called to order

5:30 pm Correspondence

- Chief's letter to begin negotiations for upcoming contract
- Motion to pay Norris, Murray and Peloquin \$2,115.00 for legal expenses. Motion Brian, second Joyce (5-0-0)
- Motion to pay Conn Kavanaugh \$985.50 for Station 1 roof project bid protest professional services. Motion Brian, second Rick (5-0-0)
- Motion to approve P.O. for \$3,832.34 to R.A. Mitchell for well #8 parts and repair. Motion Brian, second Joyce (5-0-0)
- Motion to approve P.O. for \$5,109.58 to Wachs Utility Products foe well parts. Motion Brian, second Joyce (5-0-0)

5:36 pm Minutes

- Motion to approve the minutes of August 29, 2024. Motion Joyce, second Rick (4-0-1) Brian Crocker
- Motion to approve the minutes of September 12, 2024. Motion Rick, second Joyce (5-0-0)

5:38 pm Clerk Treasurer's Report

- Encrypted emails completed
- Balance Sheet submitted
- A new Wareham Fire Department employee still in probationary period terminated
- Possible Joint Meeting with Water Commissioners on October 28, 2024
- Walking Challenge with MMHG starting September 30, 2021

5:42 pm Chiefs Report (see attached)

5:50 pm Old Business

- New Station draft proposal
- Discussion regarding how many people and the makeup of the group
- Ongoing discussion regarding HR Personnel
- Interview possible candidates for part time HR Position
- Sign on with MMHR (MA Municipal Human Resources)

6:02 pm New Business

- Chief requested to post a dispatcher position with a higher rate to possibly get candidates.
- Motion to post for new dispatcher position at current step 5 of contract and to move dispatchers currently on step 1 to step 5. Motion Joyce, second Rick (5-0-0)

6:41 pm Public Comment

- Inquiry regarding reimplementing Fire Safety Week
- Inquiry regarding Prudential Committee Members with employees who are related abstaining from votes.

6:43 pm EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into executive session under Exemption # 3, to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares and not return to open session. Motion Rick, second Joyce.

Roll call vote. Dean:yes, Rick:yes, Joyce:yes, Brian:yes, George:yes

Vote Date:

Approve:

Disapprove:

Abstain:

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Chief's report for week ending September 28, 2024

Thursday September 19th

• Department EMT refresher class was conducted.

Friday September 20th

• C-1, E-1 and Tower one responded to the 2nd alarm fire on Delano Road in Marion.

Saturday September 21st

• Apparatus pump testing began.

Monday September 23rd

Roof contractor was contacted to fix roof leaks at station 1 and station 4

Tuesday September 24th

• Firefighter recognition night was held at station 1

Wednesday September 25th

• Site visit was conducted to Boston Fire training academy for upcoming Burn in October with the training division as well as the Chief Officers.

Thursday September 26th

- Multi agency meeting was held to discuss the upcoming swap of the radio structure at the Bourne Hill radio tower.
- Department EMT refresher class being conducted.