

Wareham Fire District Prudential Committee

Prudential Committee:

George Barrett, Rick England, Brian Crocker, Joyce Bacchiocchi, Dean Decas

Non-Members:

Clerk Treasurer Wendy Lemieux, Acting Chief Haskell

5:30 pm Meeting called to order

5:30 pm Correspondence

- P.O. from Urquhart Electric in the amount of \$260.00 for Station 2 water heater. Motion to approve Brian, second Rick (5-0-0)
- P.O. from South Shore Generator in the amount of \$293.50 for station 3 generator pressure switch. Motion to approve Brian, second Rick (5-0-0)
- Invoice from Marcum Accounts and Advisors for \$7,500.00 to be split with Water Department. Motion to pay Brian, second Rick (5-0-0)

5:33 pm Discussion regarding take home vehicles in the Fire Department

- Inquiry into the mechanic having a take home vehicle
- Assistant Chief Haskell asked for a breakdown of the mechanic coming in from home for service calls.
 - In the last 12 months the mechanic has responded from home for service calls fifteen (15) times and zero (0) for emergencies.

5:48 pm Chiefs Report

5:54 pm Clerk Treasurer's Report

- Nomination papers have been turned in
- Receivables reconciled
- FY24 Audit being reviewed
- Budget discussions
- Review funding sources for articles
 - Funding sources voted as follows: Prior Year Debt (free cash) Motion Joyce, second Rick (5-0-0), OPEB Funding (free cash) Motion Joyce, second Rick (5-0-0), Contractual Liabilities (free

- cash) Motion Joyce, second Rick (5-0-0), Station Maintenance (free cash) Motion Joyce, second Rick (5-0-0), AFG Wildland PPE Grant (stabilization) Motion Joyce, second Rick (5-0-0), AES Receivers (free cash) Motion Joyce, second Rick (5-0-0), AFG Cancer Grant (stabilization) Motion Joyce, second Rick (5-0-0)
- Inspectors vehicle purchase discussion. Fire Department to come back with new numbers for Inspector vehicle and Mechanic's vehicle.
 - Motion to rescind January 23, 2025 vote for favorable action on the purchase of a new mechanics truck. Motion Joyce, second Dean (4-0-1) George abstained.

6:20 pm

Motion to go into Executive Session for:

Exemption 1: To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual.
A. Complaint brought against officer, 02/14/2025

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.
A. Grievance received 02/18/2025

And not to return to open session.

Motion Joyce, second Brian. Joyce:yes, Dean:yes, Brian:yes, Rick:yes, George:yes (5-0-0)


Vote Date:

Approve:

Disapprove:

Abstain:

Chairman 

Clerk 

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Fire Chief's Report written by Acting Chief P. Haskell for 27 February 2025

Last week the department answered 82 calls for services since the last meeting on 20 February 2025.

Old Engine 2 was taken away by Full Circle Recycling Johnston RI for scrap for trade on new Pierce Engine on 26 February 2025. Plates turned into Clerk/Treasurer and insurance cancelled.

Dispatcher Geggatt and I attended a WEBEOC class in Weymouth with Wareham Emergency Management personnel 24 February 2025.

Breaker 404 at maintenance for annual service.

Engine 3 porta tank switch replaced at maintenance.

The public safety meeting was held 24 February for Fearing Hill Rd Bridge. Municipal Maintenance is working with Mass Dot to waiver for emergency responses over it. Marion is also working on answers for bridge on County Rd as well.

Captains Bird, Brandolini, McIntosh, Callinan, FF Lofgren and I attended a 3-day Company Officer Academy in Fairhaven 25-27 February 2025.

We have loaned an old set of Jaws, Cutters, and Ram to Onset for vehicle extrication because they have no working units. We will get units back when their new equipment comes in. We will also be responding as well with Rescue 1 to the highway in their district.

The new console for dispatch installation starts on Monday 3 March 2025.

Respectfully Submitted



Patrick Haskell
Acting Fire Chief