

Minutes of Prudential Committee Meeting
October 6, 2014

Present: David Zamojski, Chairman, Prudential Committee
Jay DiPucchio, Prudential Committee Member
Bob Escott, Fire Chief
Eileen Tela, District Accountant
Steve Constantine, Finance Committee Member

Meeting called to order at 5:17 p.m. Meeting was schedule a bit earlier this month since Tax Rate Meeting is scheduled for 6:50 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Minutes accepted – August 25th minutes were accepted.

Chief's Report

Ambulance has some rust on it and needs body work. Bob will be getting an estimate shortly and it will be out of service for about a week while it is being repaired.

Engine #1 - our 2012 Pierce truck, has problems with the leaf springs. Our mechanics at Rose Ledge noted that the springs are rated for 28,000 lbs, but Bob said in our specifications, we had requested that the rear be rated for 31,000 lbs. Rose Ledge does not agree with the way Pierce recommended correcting the problem with shims. We may need to talk to our lawyer if Pierce will not agree to pay to replace the springs with what we had requested in our specs when we purchased the truck.

Chapter 111F – We will need to discuss this more in detail at a future time. Bob noted that our insurance agency also noted that if fire detail is done in a standby mode, injured on duty coverage might not be available, but personnel would be covered if there is an emergency.

Holiday Pay for the new Deputy Chief John Zellmann was brought up by Bob. This should be addressed at some point.

Chief noted that call force members are required to attend at least 12 drills annually out of 24 that are conducted. He will have to speak with a few that are not attending this required minimum.

Accountant's Report

Retiree Drug Subsidy – Eileen noted that \$16,084 is due the District from the Town for our share of this Medicare subsidy. This will be on the next special Town meeting warrant, to be held soon. She also noted that she will be taking over the handling of health insurance for the District's retirees from the Town.

Eileen attended our recent Insurance Trust meeting held last week. Members voted for a change in our Medex plan, effective January 1. This would affect prescription drug coverage only. New plan is a 3 tiered drug plan with CVS Caremark. Premiums are

lower, but co-pays are slightly higher. Should result in a savings for most current retirees.

Next Meeting scheduled for Monday, November 3 at 5:30 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:37 p.m. All left for Town Hall to attend Tax Rate Meeting in the Assessors' Office.