

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE



## TURNERS FALLS FIRE DISTRICT

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### Prudential and Water Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date of Meeting:** Dec 6, 2023

**Time of Meeting:** 5 PM

**Location:** Turners Falls Fire Department  
226 Millers Falls Road  
Turners Falls, MA 01376

**Present at meeting:**

Kenneth McCance Prudential Committee Chair  
Todd Brunelle Fire Chief  
Eduard Bublik District Accountant  
Bruce Merriam, Water Commissioner, Chair  
Ed Pelis, Water Commissioner  
Ken Morin, Water Commissioner  
Jeffrey Hildreth, Water Superintendent  
Suzanne Leh, Water Clerk

The Prudential Committee meeting of the Turners Falls Fire District (TFFD) was called to order at 5 PM on December 6, 2023 at the Turners Falls, District Office.

**A. Review and Acceptance of prior minutes:** The Minutes from 11/1/23 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

### Water Superintendent Report:

**Water Treated:**

Nov: 15.7 Million Gallons

**Consumption:**

Oct: 600,000 Gallons/day

Nov: 525,000 Gallons/day

80% of bills have been paid

Bridge and hydrant inspections have been completed

We are currently conducting backflow inspections

Montague Center experienced pump issues. We activated the interconnection, and they used 35,000 gallons. The connection has since been turned off

**Projects:**

Tate and Howard sent had some questions on some missing information on service cards. The questions have been resolved.

DEP wanted a draft of service line by April

Well 1 abandonment has been approved.

**Information on Merging the Montague Center Water:**

Their water system serves 450 people with 156 connections.

They pump approximately 35,000 gallons every three days, based on information from the interconnection earlier this month.

We would not require their well or storage tanks.

They use Neptune meters.

**Accountant Report:**

**Streetlights Update:**

Two streetlights on Marshall St have been reactivated.

A transformer on 4th St was blown out; Eversource has repaired it

**Coastal Billing:** Total revenue \$23,821

**Accounts Payable Expenses for the month of November:**

Fire Dept: \$31,399

Water Dept: \$20,503

General Gov't: \$107,391

## Chiefs Report:

### 1. Total Runs October =115

Fire = 25

EMS = 90

Transports = 33

Mutual Aid = 2 Given 1 Received

Overlapping Calls = 9 (7.83%)

### 2. Fire prevention

Inspection fees collected \$985.00

9- 26F Smoke/Co inspections

4 inspections of new oil tank installations

2 Oil Tank removals

Issued 2 letters of fire code violation

### 3. Training – Special Recognition-FF Korby attended a 40 Hour confined space rescue course through the MFA and meet the requirements to become a certified Confined Space Rescue Technician. Call FF Poirier completed the 6 week Basic 6 Fire Fighter training Program. FF Chapley and FF Breault have begun the 10 week MA. Recruit Firefighting Academy in Springfield, MA.

Career staff = 65 hrs.

Call Force = 33 hrs.

Total training Hours = 98

### 4. Child Passenger Safety Seat program: Recertification completed after completing 6 hours Con-Ed requirements and 5 car seat installs and checks. Certification in good standing for 2 years. A total of 6 car seat installations and inspections occurred throughout November.

### 5. EMS: Established recovery and replenishment of non-billable medical equipment through further requisitions at BFMC. Controlled Substances License and Pharmacy Agreement renewed.

Next meeting will be scheduled for Jan 3rd.

**Agenda for for next meeting**

- 1) Call to Order**
- 2) Approval of last District meeting minutes**
- 3) Old Business**
- 4) Department report – Fire/Water**
- 5) Accountant report**
- 6) New Business**
- 7) Adjournment**

**F. Meeting Adjourned at: 5:45 PM**

**G. Meeting Minutes submitted by:** Eduard Bublik, District Accountant