

Meeting of the Royalton Fire District #1 Prudential Committee
April 22nd, 2015 @ 7:00 PM
at the Fire District Office

Members attending: **Keith Grimes, Wayne Manning, Don Lovejoy, David Whitney**

Guests attending: **Jerry Barcelow** – Advisor, **Heidi Vogt** – Bookkeeper

Keith, Chair, opened the meeting at 7:05pm.

PUBLIC WALK INS:

There were no public walk-ins.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for April 8th, 2015 were reviewed. An amendment was made to change 2014 under the “APPROVAL OF MINUTES” category, to 2015.. **Don** motioned to accept as submitted, **Keith** seconded, and the minutes were passed 3-1-0, **David** abstained since he was not in attendance.

WATER: Filter screens have arrived for, costing roughly \$1,800, and will be in place soon. **Wayne** has turned the water on at 133 Rainbow St to aid in unthawing of pipes. Paper authorization is still pending, but verbal has been received. A bill from WB Rogers has been received for work on frozen pipes at Safford Street. Both [our] pipe and the customer’s froze, however the initial dig was at the request of the property owner for their frozen line. The current line is leaking; **Wayne** will be following up with the property owner/manager to have fixed. **Wayne** motioned to pay the bill and invoice the property owner for the same amount. **David W.** seconded, motion passed 4-0. **Wayne** reported that a shut off valve on Pleasant St appears to have been ripped out of the ground. This will need to be dug & repaired. He also reported with regard to meters that are in need of replacement.

FIRE: The Chief was not available for update, however **David W.** (Fire Dept. Captain) reported that there have been no fires, but one propane leak on South Windsor.

RESCUE: The Rescue Administrator is on his annual vacation, and was not available for update.

NEW BUSINESS

Heidi schedule the audit for the fiscal year 2014 for Thursday, June 25th.

A bankruptcy case for a water customer was reviewed.

The USDA application for Federal Grant was discussed. There was some question as to what the grant was actually for, and if signing the paperwork for said grant will “lock” the RFD1 into some sort of contract with regard to the work needing to be done. Discussion ensued. **Wayne** motioned to adjourn, sign the application, and finish discussion at the next meeting. **David W.** and **Don** are unsure and would like to read up on the situation further. **David W.** motioned to table the subject for the next meeting. **Wayne** withdrew his motion. **Wayne** wants, in writing, from the USDA that we will be accepted for the \$22,000 grant and would also like to know for sure that it is a 100% grant or if there is a possibility of [us] needing to pay some back in the future. He reports that he has asked these questions and they have not been answered. **Heidi** is to call Andrea at the USDA for further information. The subject was dropped, no further motions were made, motions were dropped.

Water fees for a customer on Rainbow St were discussed, **Heidi** asking for direction on which way to proceed. Conditions, prior correspondence, and experiences with said customer were discussed. Usage at each house vs. the corresponding vault are drastically mis-matched, indicative of a leak along the line. Size of the line that feeds the properties was discussed, as well as the age of said line. No vote was taken, but [all] agreed to proceed as previous.

Don motioned to adjourn, **David W.** seconded and the motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

Next meeting 5/13/2015

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi L. Vogt, Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper