

Meeting of the Royalton Fire District #1 Prudential Committee
September 10th, 2014 @ 7:00 PM
at the Fire District Office

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

Guests attending: **Jerry Barcelow** – Board Advisor, **David Palmer** – Rescue Administrator, **Heidi Vogt** – Assistant

PUBLIC WALK INS:

There were no public walk-ins.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for August 13th, 2014 were reviewed & amended. Paragraph 3, line 6 “hone” was amended to read “phone”. Asterisks (*) under Fire, Water, Rescue, New Business headings removed. **Wayne** motioned to accept as amended, **Keith** seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

FIRE:

No Chief’s report available.

The Fire Department was approved for a grant to purchase 8 Scott pack voice amplifiers, and 2 cylinders.

RESCUE:

The progress of the Tri-Town ownership of the Rescue Department was discussed. The Tri-Town Committee has progressed to the point where a plan presentation has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 17th at 7pm. They will be presenting to all three town Select boards at the South Royalton School. **Jerry** has spoken with the VLCT regarding the matter and since they represent the Select boards as well as [us] they are recommending we obtain Council outside of the VLCT. He and **Keith** plan to speak with Robert Manby.

The Rescue Squad has moved out of Alison Gravel’s house and into the new rental owned by **Don**.

The annual Coin Drop is scheduled for this Saturday. There are still openings for volunteers to serve.

WATER:

Wayne reported regarding the meeting with the DWSRF regarding the loan application process. A change in the Water Rate Schedule was proposed and discussed at length. The hope was for it to be put into action for the Fall 2014 billing cycle. **David W.** suggested waiting for the annual meeting to decide after informing the public of the changes. **Keith** suggested having Ashley Lucht from DWSRF meet with the Prudential Committee for better

understanding of the need for a change. **Heidi** will be in contact with Ms. Lucht. **Wayne** motioned to keep the fall billing rate the same as there is not

sufficient time to warn the public, and so the Board has more time research the change. **Bill** seconded, motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Jerry inquired regarding the use of the Water Department pumper vs. cost of insurance. After minimal discussion there were no further concerns.

Keith motioned to adjourn, **David W.** seconded, vote passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:17pm.

Next meeting 09/24/2014

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi L. Vogt
Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper