

Royalton Fire District #1 Prudential Committee  
Draft Meeting Minutes  
3/11/2020

Prudential Committee in Attendance: Keith Grimes, Don Lovejoy, Rhonda Murphy

Public in Attendance: Naomi (Dufresne Engineering), Patrick (State of Vermont) Wayne, Theron, Victoria, Jerry

Call to Order at 7:00 PM. There were no public comments at this time.

The Prudential Committee met with Naomi and Patrick to discuss the status of the water plant project. A recent leak repair has dramatically reduced the daily demand for water, which calls into question whether the current plan for the water treatment plant is necessary. The water treatment plant plans were discussed at length. Water use trends were analyzed, and it was discussed that although the systems current daily demand is low, the overall average daily demand from the last several years still puts the district in range of needing to perform upgrades to the water plant. The condition of the distribution system was discussed. It was noted that leakage is a problem within the district that needs to be addressed. It was determined that the water plant project should proceed as planned.

Don moved to approve the minutes from February 28, 2020. Rhonda seconded and the motion carried.

Don motioned to add discussion of the Rescue squad to the agenda. Rhonda seconded and the motion carried.

Jerry reported that as of the end of February the squad is better than budget by approximately \$20,000. The squad is meeting their staffing needs with little to no overtime necessary. Steve has been working with other squads and Gifford hospital to coordinate contingency plans for Coronavirus.

Rhonda motioned at 8:45 PM to enter executive session to discuss personnel issues. Don seconded. Victoria was invited to stay.

Executive session was concluded at 8:40 PM. Rhonda motioned to hire Jola Brock as the bookkeeper for the fire and water departments at a rate of \$15.00 per hour for 10-15 hours per week with a review at six months. Don seconded and the motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Victoria Paquin