

# WAREHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

## PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

January 24, 2019

### MINUTES

6:00 PM

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Members: George Barrett; John Connolly; Ron Enos; Rick England; Ken Baptiste (clerk)

Non-Members: Jay Tamagini; Wendy Lemieux; John O'Brien; Mrs. Bird; Rob Lynch; George Gilmore; Dean Decas; Chief Rowley

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**6:05** *Meeting called to order* (George)

- George asked if anyone recording? No

**6:10** Exit Interview from Rob Lynch and George Gilmore for audit FY2018. Discussion ensued.

**6:35** Rob Lynch, George Gilmore and Jay Tamagini left meeting.

**6:38** *Clerk/Treasurer Report*

- Wendy discussed unclaimed properties;
- Wendy has computer problems;
- John O'Brien discussed fire capabilities charges and effect the treatment will have on it and how it's figured (to other operations also).

**6:43** John O'Brien left meeting.

**7:22** *Chief's Report*

- See Attachment A

**7:25** *Citizen Participation*

- Citizen asked about budget;
- Citizen discussed ambulance dispatch costs

**7:30** Motion by Ron to go into Executive Session for exception #2 & #3 (negotiations with collective bargaining units and non-union personnel) and not to return to open session; second by Rick. Chairman states discussion in open session will be detrimental to the district.

**VOTE:**

Ken: Yes

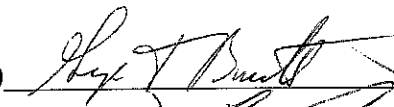
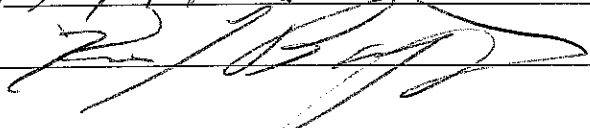
Rick: Yes

John: Yes

Ron: Yes

George: Yes

VOTE:	7/11/19
APPROVE	4
DISAPPROVE	0
ABSTAIN	1

George Barrett (Chairman)	
Kenneth Baptiste (Clerk)	

Chief's Report for January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>

- Training Division gave a CPR class for over 40 Teachers at the Decas School
- MMA Students working for the Plymouth County Chief's Association did an equipment inventory of our apparatus.

Saturday January 19<sup>th</sup>

- CPR class for Shift 1 and Station 2 and 3 was held

Sunday January 20<sup>th</sup>

- SCBA class was held for all personnel
- 1 extra Firefighter was hired for night shift due to a flash freeze, allowed S-2 to respond to medicals at the sub zero temperatures
- Stove fire at China Chef on Depot Street

Tuesday January 22<sup>nd</sup>

- Worked on the Departments Strategic Plan
- Public Safety Meeting called by Police Chief Walcek
  - Walcek wanted initially to discuss going to a regional dispatch
  - He was advised that that was not in the best interest of the Wareham Fire Department
  - Walcek then asked if we'd be willing to take over EMS dispatch and was told there is interest but we would have to look at the financial impact, the needed upgrades to our dispatch and the logistics of making it work.
  - Walcek stated he wanted it done now and if we can't get it done "Soon" he'll go a different route.
  - Onset Chief Goodwin and Director Evans are on board and would be in favor of WFD doing all the dispatch if it was done right.
  - Walcek was advised that time was needed to get all the initial questions answered and was requested to hold another meeting sometime in March.
  - Lt Girrard stated we would only get a small percentage of 911 money, less than \$20,000 but there was a possibility of grant money for dispatch upgrades as a regional, (although in town), dispatch center, WPD to get hard numbers.
  - So in other words, we are being asked to take on this burden with no guaranteed financial backing and add 4500 more calls to what we are already doing.

Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

- Was notified by VFIS of the findings by an IME for an injured on duty firefighter.
- E-1 out of service and back to Minute Man for repairs to the driver side steering box, possible issue with the previous bill. Mechanic Barret to handle.
- Ladder 1 had its certification test and passed with just a few minor issues that need repairing. After hearing the report on the truck, I feel comfortable continuing on with the corrosion control article as originally presented.
- Meeting with Board of Health and Public Safety Officials regarding a Mass Vaccination site review which the Middle School has been designated.

Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>

- Updated budget proposals
- Continued work on Department Strategic Plan
- Email was sent out to the 6 applicants for the Citizens fire academy that we were cancelling due to lack of enrollment, try again for the fall