

Cotuit Fire District
Freedom Hall
Prudential Committee
Tuesday 25 October 2016

The meeting was called to order at 4PM.

Present: Laurie Hadley, Stan Goldstein, Fran Parks, Mike Daley, Charlie Eager

Public Comment Ms. Kates read a statement expressing her concerns about the result of an Open Meeting Law complaint result filed by Ms. Murray. She also expressed her opinion that legal services would only be needed by the Union Negotiating Committee if they needed to go into arbitration.

Treasurer Search- Mr. Daley reported there have been seventeen responses to the advertisement. The 7th of November is the drop dead date for application.

Treasurer The current financial software has had long term ongoing technical problems that is making increased work for Toni and Mike. The committee voted to purchase a new software program that is also used by West Barnstable Fire District. The District will be able to pay for the program over six years interest free.

Union Negotiation and new Chief Search funding The Fire Commissioners have requested a the Prudential Committee authorize a special district meeting to authorize funds for the search for a new Fire Chief and to fund legal services for the Union Negotiating Committee. Fran went over the request with the Treasurer and there are ample funds in the current budget for the Fire Chief search and the legal support of the Negotiating Committee. If ultimately more funds are needed we can do a reserve fund transfer or put an article on the 2017 warrant.

Siemens Streetlight Maintenance Contract The contract has been signed.

Tax Classification Hearing The hearing needs to be advertised for the 14 Nov 2016 Prudential Committee meeting.

Scribe for Prudential Committee meetings There was a discussion about possibly advertising for a secretary to take Prudential Committee minutes.

Freedom Hall Exterior Lights, Window Wells, Parking Lot use. Fran is working on having a timer added to the lights over the front and side doors of the Hall. These lights are frequently left on when people leave the building. A motion sensor can be added so the flood light comes on when the front door is opened. The window wells need custom covers to keep out rain. Mark Boudreau had an email from Mr. Schilling saying they would not be attending today's meeting regarding use of the parking lot.

District Web Site The email system is now fixed and is working.

Minutes Minutes of the 25 September 2016 unanimously accepted.