

Prudential Committee Meeting via Zoom
March 29, 2021

Call to Order

Roll Call: -Seth Burdick, Paul Haenle, Ray Pirrone, Charlie Eager, Fran Parks

Pledge of Allegiance

Capital Improvement Draft: Committee reviewed edits in the draft including edits from the water commissioners. Mr. Pirrone has concerns about if the changes are consistent with the by-laws. Ms. Parks stated committee will review draft again after she reviews the by-laws.

Mr. Burdick explained the procedure for the committee to approve warrants at the meeting and stated he would like to see this draft move forward rather than reworked. Committee asked Mr. Eager if a motion can go into the warrant without committee's approval-Mr. Eager believed the water commissioners have a right to introduce an article to the Prudential Committee who then has the right to disagree.

Regarding the draft, Mr. Pisano (Fire Commissioner) asked about the financial limit of 10k stating he feels it is too low and about item B regarding replacing equipment/capital items-he would prefer if the word mandatory was dropped as description, Ms. Parks stated that was corrected it now reads as necessary replacement. Mr. Pisano also asked about Item D, asset or operating enhancement-committee reviewed.

Discussion continued about this district doesn't vote on capital improvement plans at this meeting and where the meeting will be held this year. Ms. Parks is checking with David Anthony but hopes to have the meeting in the auditorium at the school. Committee discussed other items needed for the meeting including audio, porta potty and cleaning of the auditorium-other options are to meet outside the district.

Mr. Burdick asked if Ms. Parks could add a discussion about a public comment from the Policy Advisory Committee to the next Prudential meeting agenda. At that time Ms. Parks will also present the By-Law changes.

Public Comment:

Cynthia Gardner mentioned the committee did not take a formal vote to accept the Capital Improvement Plan. Ms. Parks replied will do so once make the corrections and will present at next meeting.

Carol Zais feels it is important to ask for demolition funds before taking ownership of the property and asked Mr. Pirrone how much was spent on auditors. Mr. Pirrone responded this year's bid was \$16,000 and have \$17,000 in the budget.

Mr. Pisano stated he believes it is important to have part of the article reflect money specified to cover about 6 months of utility and insurance if take possession of the building and also include an amount to begin with a project overview manager to assess the feasibility of the application that has been put forward. Also stated need to have a professionally signed evaluation to see if any proposals are doable and the cost.

Committee continued to discuss demolition estimates and if could vote for debt authority. Mr. Pirrone stated would have to go thru the RFD process and have a special meeting. Mr. Pirrone suggested getting cost of a cost estimate to make an estimate for the district meeting and incorporate with information about operating costs plus suggests to budget expenses for a year.

Ms. Parks stated right now the most important decision to make is if accept this building to protect our water supply.

Mr. Haenle stated subcommittee has to be clear that there will be additional costs once the property is accepted and depending on which option is chosen the price could be significant.

Discussion continues about operating costs, future costs, and what to discuss at the district meeting along with evaluation costs and the timeframe to get monies needed-all put together before the district meeting.

Motion to adjourn, moved, second, all in favor.