

**COTUIT FIRE DISTRICT
PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 27, 2021**

Present: Seth Burdick, Charlie Eager, Mark Lynch and Fran Parks

The meeting was called to order at 6 PM on September 27, 2021 at Freedom Hall, Cotuit, MA and could be seen virtually on the Zoom app.

Fran Parks led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes of August 30, 2021.

Fran Parks asked if there was any Public Comment and seeing none proceeded with the meeting.

The Treasurer was unable to make the meeting today but his report was sent to committee members and is on the website.

Fran Parks recommends that all District committee and subcommittee meetings be on Zoom in addition to having in present meetings. **Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously to have all meetings of the District's regular committees and Prudential Committee subcommittees be broadcast on the Zoom application.**

Fran Parks asked the Masons about putting up a new no parking sign and the membership will discuss it.

Alarm Company for Freedom Hall called and told Fran Parks the alarm needs to be updated. The committee considered it to be routine maintenance and agreed to proceed.

Mark Lynch reported the Civic Association's Annual Christmas Food Drive would like to use Freedom Hall as a collection point. The dates would be December 1, December 2 and December 3. Prudential Committee agreed to allow the use and Mark Lynch will respond to the request.

Mark Lynch reported the Cotuit School Committee meeting with the Town was rescheduled until September 30, 2021 at the request of the Town. The Committee has a conservation restriction that covers the land they would like to discuss. The Town has expressed a desire to transfer the entire property to the District. Town also provided some additional information on the demolition costs if the District decides to go in that direction. The problem with those costs estimated by the Town due to inflation costs from the date of the Town estimate and now it is believed the inflation costs have significantly increased the estimate.

The Fire Department will be having some impact bargaining coming up although the dates have not been set. Fran Parks reports that the Board Fire Commissioner's Chairman would like her to remain on

the Negotiating Committee since she has served on the last two negotiation committees. The other members did not disagree on her appointment.

Seth Burdick made the following motion. **Executive session under Purpose 3. To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of a public body and the chair so declares and not return to Open Session. Mark Lynch seconded the motion. All members were polled. Seth Burdick, Mark Lynch and Fran Parks voiced in the affirmative to leave Public Session and go into Executive Session and not return to Open Session.**

Motion made by Seth Burdick, seconded by Mark Lynch to adjourn the Open Meeting. Motion passes unanimously. Public session adjourned at 6:18 PM.