

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE -- WINHALL-STRATTON FIRE DISTRICT #1
Thursday, April 30, 2026 4:00PM**

The monthly meeting of the Prudential Committee of the Winhall-Stratton Fire District #1 was held in-person at the Stratton Mountain Volunteer Fire Company house, 5 Brazers Way, Stratton Mountain Vermont and via zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/91032219476?pwd=JnEZG9YXGN7mpXfWm50lSsY8tiTmS4.1> on Thursday, April 30, 2026 at 4:00PM.

Prudential Members Present Via Zoom:

James Reynolds, Member

Bruce Nelson, Member

Not Present:

Pat Moyna, SMC

Also Present Via Zoom:

Tom Snopek, Chairman

Ric Swenson, Member

Al Scerbo, Treasurer

Also Present by Invite:

Diana Stugger, Advisor

Margaret Dwyer, Chief Operator

Rosa Cannella, Secretary

Tom Snopek called meeting to order at 4:00pm.

RESOLVED:

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the March 26, 2026 meeting minutes previously distributed were accepted as written. (TS/BN/JR/RS/AS)

RESOLVED:

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Committee accepted the monthly budget statement as of April 30, 2026 as submitted. (TS/BN/JR/RS/AS)

RESOLVED:

Treasurer reported on his review of the Money Market and Checking accounts for February and March 2026 and found no exceptions. Treasurer recommends closing the CD maturing 5/5/26 and move \$50K to the TD Bank checking account then open a new 4-month CD maturing 10/5/26 with the remaining \$172,841.62. (TS/BN/JR/RS/AS)

OLD BUSINESS:

Margaret updated the Committee on the status of Capital Projects:

1. Boost Pump Room re-piping should be done by Monday, with a new pressure reducing valve installation scheduled for Tuesday by Harper Haines. The boost pump will be back in operation after the PRV installation is complete.
2. Aeration tank rehab is on pause until Daniels completes the boost pump room rehab.
3. Golf course lift station project has begun and is coming in higher than budgeted due to unanticipated power line repair and golf course path repaving costs.
4. Both the Sun Bowl and Crown Point Lift Station re-builds will be done over the summer. Margaret to get a more definite timeframe from Daniels.
5. Sun Bowl well line replacement Phase II; discussions with Stratton, Hunter Excavating and the State of VT. The District discussed ensuring that any new infrastructure work is performed consistently with current and potential future State of VT requirements. We will be requesting a verbal assurance from the State of VT that if Hunter goes under the culvert with a bore drill to lay well lines, that the State of VT will not require the District to modify this approach going forward.
6. The Committee discussed PFAS contamination findings in three golf course wells (#30, #31 & #33) with all contaminated at levels below current limits. The Committee is concerned with future regulatory changes that may require treatment and with increasing levels of well contamination resulting in limit exceedances. The District's hydrogeologist is looking for new well sources in the Sun Bowl area. Also looking at possibly rehabbing the existing Sun Bowl wells for higher yields.
7. Margaret recommends adding additional well lines to the Phase II Sun Bowl capital project to accommodate these potential new wells and/or existing wells with higher yields.

NEW BUSINESS:

Margaret informed the Committee that the State Inspection was performed by our Engineers, Dufresne Group, and the inspection went well. The only noted problem was that the spray fields had a great deal of debris (fallen trees and limbs) remnants of a harsh winter. Margaret's team has been working on clearing weather permitting. Margaret reported that the lead and copper samples were all good except for one unit in Crown Point which was due to heat in the unit. Margaret also informed the Committee that both Jake and Cotie have one last week of the Apprenticeship Program and will be taking their exam immediately after program ends. Margaret and her crew will be attending the Vermont Rural Water Association Annual Conference and Golf Tourney at Lake Morey in May.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, May 28, 2026 at 4pm in-person at the Stratton Mountain Volunteer Fire Company house and via zoom (see link below).
<https://zoom.us/j/91032219476?pwd=JnEZG9YXGN7mpXfWm50lSsY8tiTmS4.1>

Meeting adjourned at 4:31PM.