

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE -- WINHALL-STRATTON FIRE DISTRICT #1
Thursday, April 25, 2024 4:00PM**

The monthly meeting of the Prudential Committee of the Winhall-Stratton Fire District #1 was held via zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3132650303?pwd=Y25LZ3l0U0F5WE9hamJGdjhjekQvQT09&omn=84459447216> on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 4:00PM.

Prudential Members Present:

Tom Snopek, Chairman
Ric Swenson, Treasurer
James Reynolds, Member
Bruce Nelson, Member

Not Present Were:

Also Present by Invite Were:

Diana Stugger, Advisor
Albert Scerbo, Advisor
Pat Moyna, SMC
Margaret Dwyer, Chief Operator
Rosa Cannella, Secretary

Tom Snopek called meeting to order at 4:01pm.

RESOLVED: Upon a motion duly made and seconded the March 28, 2024 meeting minutes previously distributed were approved as corrected. (TS/RS/JR/BN)

RESOLVED: Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Prudential Committee approved financials as submitted. (TS/RS/JR/BN)

RESOLVED: Ric Swenson, District Treasurer, reported that his review of the bank statement reconciliations for the months of July through December 2023 were thoroughly cross referenced and are all in order. (TS/RS/BN)

NEW BUSINESS: Bruce Nelson spoke on the new EPA PFAS regulations. He indicated that if you can detect PFAS in the system then they will need to be removed. The new law will require that this be accomplished by 2029. With contamination of our water sources, filters will likely be required to remove these unwanted chemicals from the drinking water. Margaret informed the Committee that she believes that the use of Teflon tape to repair a pipe joint in the High Meadow Lift Station caused detection of PFAS at the Golf Course Well. It was recommended that a sample be taken upstream from the High Meadow Lift Station then compare it to a sample taken downstream of the High Meadow Lift Station after the Teflon tape is removed. This will hopefully show that the PFAS problem has been resolved. It was also recommended that research be done to see if grants are available for the PFAS Filter addition to the treatment plant system.

OLD BUSINESS: Margaret updated the Committee on Capital Projects 23/24. The Green Apron Station has been delayed until after Golf Season. Daniels will be back in November 2024 to finish. Margaret updated the Committee on Capital Projects slated for 24/25 (see attached). She noted that she is still awaiting quotes for Boost Pump Room, Water System PH Adjuster, Mid Mtn/Crown Point/Sun Bowl Lift Stations and VFD at Lake Station. 24/25 Capital Project to exceed \$258,477 (see attached). Margaret informed the Committee that the Water Service Line Inventory is on-going and approximately one-third of the data has been collected. Margaret indicated that she may have found a good fit for the open employee spot and will update the Committee at the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS: Tom Snopek researched if the BOD position can be filled by Al Scerbo. The District By-Laws are clear that a Board member must be a taxpaying voter in the Towns of Winhall or Stratton (see attached Attorney Romanoff opinion). Tom Snopek then appointed Al Scerbo as an Advisor to the BOD if he would like to join. Tom Snopek reviewed the Operating Contract between the Winhall-Stratton Fire District #1 and the Stratton Corporation and the contract clearly states that the people working at the Treatment Plant are employees of Stratton Corporation (see attached Attorney Romanoff opinion).

The next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, May 30, 2024 at 4PM via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 4:33PM.