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## **DALTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

**November 29, 2022**

Present: Jim Driscoll, Camillus Cachat, Mike Kubicki, Treasurer/Clerk Melanie Roucoulet,  
Chief James Peltier, Ambulance Director Dave Thomas

Prudential Committee: Al Nadeau, Richard Olsted,  
Jim Driscoll called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

### **General Business:**

- Minutes
  - o Jim Driscoll made a motion to accept the minutes from October 4, 2022, as printed, Camillus Cachat seconded, approved unanimously.
  - o Schedule a meeting next week to discuss a New Fire Station
    - Jim is looking for more information to be brought to the next meeting.

### **Ambulance:**

- Last month we received 69 calls, 66 of them calls were answered, 3 of them D5 was on another call.
- Will need to hire 2 more paramedics per diem before we switch to ALS
- A few interviews are set up to try and fill the positions available.

### **Fire Department:**

- New turnout gear is needed for 7 members in the next budget cycle, as of today they are \$4300.00 a set.
- Major problems with the radio system
- Car 1 will need to be replaced in the next year or so.
- The Grant approved new breathing apparatus should be in within the month.
- November has been a busy month with inspections, training, Ambulance calls and mutual aid.
- The ladder truck will hopefully be ready the beginning of the year.
- Working on next year's budget.

### **Water Department:**

- The hydrant on top of Hemlock Hill was leaking, has since been fixed.
- All hydrant flags and snow stakes have been installed
- Plow and sander have been installed on Truck 10.
- The contact switch on pump 2 at the Wahconah site malfunctioned, Ram Electric came in and fixed it.
- Asset Management rant has been closed out, final reimbursement coming soon.

- Bob applied for the M36 water Audit Grant
- Mass DEO has required all water departments to submit a lead service line inventory, working with Tighe & Bond to apply for a grant.
- Asked for Ryan to roll over 28 hours of vacation time from last year that he was unable to use.
  - o Jim approved
  - o Cam seconded

**Treasurer's Report:**

- 374 Late notices were sent out this month.
- 6MM have almost all been billed for, waiting on Bob to finish them up.
- Working with Jeff from Scanlon to finish cleaning up last year so I can complete The Tax recap and start on free cash.
- Employee taxes need to start being paid weekly since we have grown so much.
- Will be setting up meeting with Prudential Committee this week .

The next meeting will be December 27, 2022 at 6:30pm

Jim Driscoll made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 seconded by Cam Cachat, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Roucoulet  
Treasurer/Clerk

