

Great Barrington Fire District
Minutes for Prudential Committee Open Meeting on August 20, 2024
Great Barrington Water Department
17 East Street Great Barrington MA 01230

Board Members and Employees Present:

Walter Atwood
Kenneth Schumacher
William Foster
William Brinker
Peter Marks
Cynthia Ullrich

Chairman – Prudential Committee
Member – Prudential Committee
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Superintendent
District Clerk

Guests in attendance:

Claude Cormier (Departed at 5:30PM)
James Mercer (Arrived at 4:47 PM)

HydroSource – President & Chief Executive Officer
Housatonic Water Works

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 P.M. by Prudential Committee Chairman, Walter Atwood.

Citizen Speak Time:

Approve the Minutes of the Meeting of August 4, 2024:

WB made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2024 meeting. WF seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

There was one bid submitted for the Heavy Equipment and Operators/Laborers FY 2025

WB made a motion to accept the bid submitted by Joe Wilkinson Exc. Inc. WF seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Superintendent's Report:

PM reported the Anderson Street & Hillside Avenue project is complete. A repair was made to a 30 year old pipe at 5 Railroad Street. Service line locations were marked out for the continued work Tighe & Bond is doing to identify any lead service lines.

Financial Report:

CU submitted Warrant #6 dated August 9, 2024 and Warrant #7 dated August 16, 2024.

New Business:

CU gave the board a letter from the Planning Board pertaining to the master plan.

Old Business:

Claude Cormier submitted well-siting geophysical surveys on the Padavano property.

After reviewing the surveys and listening to CC report, the board unanimously agreed to abandon the Padavano property. Claude suggested the board reach out to Tighe & Bond for a second opinion. The board asked CU to contact Peter Valinsky.

WB made a motion to abandon the Padavano property. WF seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

JM suggested looking at Rachael Fletcher's land and splitting the cost.

Having concluded its business and having no petitions before the board, Mr. Atwood moved to adjourn the meeting, and the meeting was adjourned without objection at 5:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cynthia Ullrich
District Clerk