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PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the North Branch Fire District #1, Prudential Committee, March 31, 2020.

This Meeting, having been duly Warned, was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Chairperson Cyndee Frere.

Members Present: Cyndee Frere, Thomas Ferrazza, Edward Barber and Daniel Facilla by phone.

Absent: Brendan Ryan.

Also Present: Rebecca Snow, Bart Howes and Linda Holland.

Executive Session: Ferrazza moved to go into executive session at 10:08 a.m. to discuss personnel and legal issues. Seconded by Barber. Passed unanimously. Ferrazza moved to come out of executive session at 11:02 a.m. Seconded by Barber. Passed unanimously. DECISIONS:

1. Frere will E-mail Brendan Ryan to determine his situation regarding his presence on the Committee.
2. The Annual Meeting is going to be determined based on the situation we are in with the Caronia virus. We have checked into the legality of this and as soon as we get the go ahead we will be rescheduling the Annual Meeting. All petitions for office will need to be redone because they were dated for the Annual Meeting of March 31, 2020. Holland will verify that others can or cannot petition to be placed on the ballot. Ferrazza wanted noted that the voters have the right to discuss, the right to disagree but in all reality we need to continue to operate this plant and are given that right by the State with or without their approval. Based on State Statute, Title 24, Chapter 101, §3616.

3. Ferrazza moved to Raise and Appropriate \$1,280,064.44, in order to operate the treatment plant, subject to ratification by the Voter's at the Annual Meeting. Seconded by Barber. Passed unanimously.
4. Ferrazza will keep the Committee up-to-date regarding legal issues.
5. The Prudential Committee is still foregoing their pay checks. The Committee last received a check on June 17, 2019. Linda Holland, Rebecca Snow and Bartholomew Howes also have foregone any pay increases until the plant is back on its feet.

Treasurer's Report: Ferrazza moved to pay bills totaling \$77,433.89. Seconded by Barber. In favor: Frere, Barber and Ferrazza. Facilla abstained.

Bills for the cancelled April meeting will be reviewed on April 30th. by the Committee. They can come in, at their leisure, to review the bills.

Other Business: The April 8th. meeting is cancelled. The Prudential Committee will hold off on all meetings until the State relaxes the Covid-19 issues.

Old Business: None.

Chairperson, Frere adjourned the meeting at 11:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Linda L. Holland,
Administrative Manager

cc: C. Frere, K. Braunbach, T. Ferrazza, E. Barber, B. Ryan, E. Floyd, B. Howes, H. Terhune, D. Facilla, A. Pritcher, A. Palmiter, A. Perkins, A. Havreluk, C. Helmstetter, C. Turpin, G. Henry, G. Golet, Grayghostinn, J. Gooch, J. Eckert, J. Flanagan-Marchese, J. Mahon, J. Densmore, J. Brunen, J. Redd, L. Harkawik, L. Newton, L. Fraser, M. Hamilton, M. Formel, M. Hathaway, M. Garber, P. Fisher, P. Fitzpatrick, R. Reed, R. Caplan, R. Rubin, W. Ruane, S. MacDougall, S. Dupuis, S. Joyce-Albano, T. House, Weathervanelodge, Y. Strus, Deerfield Valley News and Brattleboro Reformer.

Posted: North Branch Fire District #1, Wastewater Treatment Facility & Administrations Building. Dover Town Office.

