

FIRE DISTRICT #1

MEETING

MINUTES

January 19, 2022

1. OPEN MEETING – The Canaan Fire District #1 meeting was opened by Jeff Richards at 5:34PM. Those present: Jeff Richards, Jeremy Labrecque, Alfred Buckley, Noreen Labrecque and April Busfield. (NOTE: The Canaan Fire District #2 Prudential Committee joined the meeting to discuss updating the Policy)
2. Oath of Office for Jeff – Jeffery Richards took his Oath of Office as Elected Prudential Committee Member at the January 10, 2022, Annual Meeting.
3. Elect Chairman – Jeremy Labrecque nominated Jeffery Richard to serve as Chairman for Canaan Fire District #1 for 2022. The nomination was seconded by Alfred Buckley and Jeffery accepted the nomination.
4. APPROVE MINUTES - December 8, 2021- Motion was made by Jeff and seconded by Al to approve the December 8, 2021, meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Report from operator – RT 102 water leak – April reported on the large leak at 6537 VT RTE 102. The leak is substantial with the total usage increasing by 30,000/day since the leak was reported. The homeowner has scheduled the repair for tomorrow (Thursday, Jan 20th). April reported that a pipe at the Water Treatment facility has been fixed by Hebert.
6. Selectboard approved \$50,000 ARPA funds for Water Main Replacement project. – Info only.
7. Update Policy – reflect shut off notices for winter months – The Canaan Fire District #2 Prudential Committee met with the Canaan Fire District #1 Prudential Committee to discuss the potential change to both Districts Policy regarding discontinuance of service for non-payment. The consensus with both boards after discussion was to keep the policy as written. Al Buckley did have objections to the policy and made a motion to change the policy to reflect no shut offs during certain months. This motion was not seconded therefore not acted on. Motion was made by Jeremy and seconded by Jeffery to keep the policy the same as written with no changes. Motion carried in the affirmative by a vote of 2 yes and 1 no.
8. Increase rates for Stewartstown – need letter to Stewartstown – Noreen will send the figures to Jeff, and he will compose a letter to the Stewartstown Water Precinct.

9. FD#1 Report for Town Report – review – The Prudential Committee reviewed and approved as written.
10. OTHER BUSINESS – The Committee discussed the upcoming Water Line Replacement project and would like to invite Jim Belknap and Gary Leach to their next meeting on March 16, 2022, to set up a schedule for the project.
11. ADJOURN MEETING – Chairman Jeff Richards adjourned the January 19, 2022, bi-monthly meeting at 6:24PM.