

**MINUTES OF THE WALLINGFORD FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
Annual Meeting**

April 16, 2024

The moderator Dennis Stocker called the Annual Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Prudential Committee members present: Kandie Stocker, Bill Brooks, Kevin Vaughn and Marianne McClure the Clerk/Treasurer. There were nine (9) Fire District Residents, along with eight (8) visitors in attendance.

Moderator Dennis Stocker read the warning.

The legal voters of Fire District No. 1, Wallingford, Vermont are hereby warned to meet at the Wallingford Fire Station (17 Railroad Street) on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. for the Annual Fire District Meeting to act upon the following articles.

Article 01. Will the District vote to approve and authorize the Prudential Committee to expend the specific amounts of monies to be appropriated for all necessary Water/Sewer Fund expenses and apportioned by the Prudential Committee for the several purposes provided as per the proposed 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget in the amount of \$467,037.33?

Anthony E. Petrossi made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to open Article 01 for discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. Dennis then asked if there were any questions.

Dennis asked if there were any questions, hearing no questions, Dennis called for a motion to close discussion and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Anthony E. Petrossi to close discussion and approve Article 01. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Article 02. Will the District vote to approve and authorize the Prudential Committee to expend the specific amounts of monies to be appropriated for all necessary General Fund expenses and apportioned by the Prudential Committee for the several purposes provided as per the proposed 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget in the amount of \$87,210.00?

Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to open Article 02 for discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. Dennis then asked if there were any questions.

Dennis asked if there were any questions, hearing no questions, Dennis called for a motion to close discussion and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by

Kevin Vaughn to close discussion and approve Article 02. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Article 03. Will the District vote to approve and authorize the Prudential Committee to expend the specific amounts of monies to be appropriated for all necessary Fire Protection Fund expenses and apportioned by the Prudential Committee for the several purposes provided as per the proposed 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget in the amount of \$158,080.00?

Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to open Article 03 for discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. Dennis then asked if there were any questions.

Dennis asked if there were any questions, hearing no questions, Dennis called for a motion to close discussion and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Anthony E. Petrossi to close discussion and approve Article 03. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Article 04. Will the Fire District vote to have all Fire District Taxes, Water Bond, Water/Sewer Rents payable quarterly to the Wallingford Fire District #1 when due?

Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to open Article 04 for discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. Dennis then asked if there were any questions.

Hearing no questions, Dennis called for a motion to close discussion and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to close discussion and approve Article 04. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Article 05. Will the Fire District authorize the Prudential Committee to borrow such monies as may be necessary to meet the operation expenses of the District?

Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Anthony E. Petrossi to open Article 05 for discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. Dennis then asked if there were any questions.

Hearing no questions, Dennis called for a motion to close discussion and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Chelsey LaRock to close discussion and approve Article 05. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Article 06: To elect all Fire District Officers required by law.

Dennis asked for nominations for the 3-year term on the Prudential Committee that is currently held by Kandie Stocker. Kyle Stocker nominated Kandie Stocker; Bill Brooks seconded the nomination. Dennis asked if there were any other nominations from the floor. Anthony E. Petrossi nominated Anthony L. Petrossi; Kyle Stocker seconded it.

Dennis then asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote by Australian Ballot. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Anthony Petrossi to close the nominations and vote by Australian Ballot. Dennis handed out the ballots. Marianne McClure and Roger Sheehan counted the ballots. After the ballots were counted, Marianne McClure made the announcement that there were 6 votes for Kandie Stocker and 3 votes for Anthony L. Petrossi. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Anthony E. Petrossi to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Kandie Stocker. Kandie Stocker was elected to the 3-year term on the Prudential Committee.

Dennis asked if there were any nominations for Clerk for a 3-year term. Kandie Stocker nominated Marianne McClure, seconded by Kyle Stocker. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Anthony E. Petrossi to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Marianne McClure. Marianne McClure was elected to the 3-year term for Clerk.

Dennis asked if there were any nominations for Treasurer for a 3-year term. Kandie Stocker nominated Marianne McClure, seconded by Kyle Stocker. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Anthony E. Petrossi to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Marianne McClure. Marianne McClure was elected to the 3-year term for Treasurer.

Dennis asked if there were any nominations for Moderator for a 1-year term. Anthony E. Petrossi nominated Anthony L. Petrossi, seconded by Kyle Stocker. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Kyle Stocker nominated Anthony E. Petrossi; Kandie Stocker seconded it. Dennis asked again if there were any more nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote by Australian Ballot. Dennis handed out the ballots. Marianne McClure and Roger Sheehan counted the ballots. After the ballots were counted, Marianne McClure made the announcement that there were 8 votes for Anthony E. Petrossi and 1 vote for Anthony L. Petrossi. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kandie Stocker to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Anthony E. Petrossi. Anthony E. Petrossi was elected to the 1-year term for Moderator.

Dennis asked if there were any nominations for Delinquent Tax Collector for a 3-year term. Kandie Stocker nominated Marianne McClure, seconded by Bill Brooks. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Chelsey LaRock to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Marianne McClure. Marianne McClure was elected to the 3-year term for Delinquent Tax Collector.

Dennis asked for nominations for two 1-year terms as an Auditor for the Fire District. Kandie Stocker nominated Amy Grover for one of the positions. Kyle Stocker seconded it. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Amy Grover. Amy Grover was elected to the 1-year term for Auditor. Dennis asked for nominations for the second 1-year term for Auditor. Kandie Stocker nominated Chelsey LaRock, seconded by Kyle Stocker. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Chelsey LaRock. Chelsey LaRock was elected to the 1-year term for Auditor.

Dennis asked for nominations for Fire Chief 1-year term. Kevin Vaughn nominated Michael Hughes; Kyle Stocker seconded it. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Michael Hughes. Michael Hughes was elected to the 1-year term for Fire Chief.

Dennis asked for nominations for Deputy Chief 1-year term. Kevin Vaughn nominated John Thompson; Kyle Stocker seconded it. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of John Thomson. John Thomson was elected to the 1-year term for Deputy Chief.

Dennis asked for nominations for Deputy Chief 1-year term. Kevin Vaughn nominated Mark Barone; Chelsey LaRock seconded it. Dennis asked three times if there were any other nominations from the floor. Hearing none Dennis called for a motion to close nominations and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kandie Stocker to close the nominations and have the secretary cast one ballot in favor of Mark Barone. Mark Barone was elected to the 1-year term for Deputy Chief.

Article 07: Will the Fire District vote to approve the reports as submitted?

Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to open Article 07 for discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. Dennis then asked if there were any questions.

Hearing no questions, Dennis called for a motion to close discussion and vote. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to close discussion and approve Article 07. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Article 08: To act on any legal and necessary business.

Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to open Article 08 for discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. Dennis then asked if anyone had any other business to address.

Hearing no questions, Dennis asked for a motion to adjourn. Kyle Stocker made a motion that was seconded by Kevin Vaughn to adjourn. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved: 05/01/2024

Marianne McClure
Clerk/Treasurer