

**North Branch Fire District #1
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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the North Branch Fire District #1, Prudential Committee, January 19, 2016.

This Meeting, having been duly warned, was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Chairman, Hobart Terhune.

Members Present: Thomas Ferrazza, Hobie Terhune, Cyndee Frere, Edward Barber and Daniel Facilla.

Also Present: Ed Floyd, Bryan Redmond, Theresa Thomas, Bart Howes, Rebecca Snow and Linda Holland.

Public Comment: None.

Bryan Redmond & Theresa Thomas to Discuss the State Revolving Loan Fund: Mr. Redmond stated that Lynette Claudon and Robert Pelosi would also be involved in this project. Mr. Redmond informed the Committee that approximately sixty-seven million dollars are available from the State fund. To apply for the loan/grant, the Fire District must first get on the State's Priority List and the State will rank the applications. The deadline for the loan applications is February 5, 2016. Planning loans can be rolled into the construction loan, or begin repayment five years following completion of the engineering documents or the last loan disbursement whichever occurs first.

To be eligible for funding, the project must address public health or environmental risk and must apply to be placed on the annual project priority list.

At the end of the final design and the best cost estimates, comes a Bond vote from the Fire District voters. The start of the repayment is tied to the completion date. The first full payment could be as much as two years out. The Loan/Bond would be for the following:

- Two buildings: one to cover the UV system & the other to cover the Headworks.
- Two Clarifiers
- RAS – piping inside and outside
- Pond Liners for both ponds, plus redoing the bedding under the Holding Pond.
- Sprayfield
- Subsurface – add more chambers
- Walkways/Driveway – paving and concrete paths.

An off the cuff estimate for the above is around 4.5 million dollars.

Anticipated start of construction would be 2017.

Floyd will check on the deadline for the submission of the preliminary engineering draft.

Facilla moved to authorize Ed Floyd to proceed to place the North Branch Fire District #1 on the State's Priority List. Seconded by Ferrazza. Passed unanimously.

The Committee briefly discussed the subsurface disposal. Howes stated that the State allows the discharge of 3.3 million gallons per week. This is the limiting factor between the sprayfield and the subsurface field. The Fire District cannot expand the disposal due to this limit. Floyd suggested seeking legal counsel regarding the SAAB and discharge limitations.

Executive Session: Ferrazza moved to go into executive session at 12:25 p.m. to discuss personnel. Seconded by Frere. Passes unanimously. Ferrazza moved to come out of executive session at 12:30 p.m. Seconded by Frere. Passed unanimously.
DECISION: To have Vicki Dejnozka attend the February 10, 2016 meeting.

Old Business: None.

Other Business: None.

Terhune moved to adjourn at 12:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Linda L. Holland,
Administrative Manager

cc: H. Terhune, D. Facilla, E. Barber, E. Floyd, T. Ferrazza, Cyndee Frere, Bart Howes, Ed Floyd, Joe Mahon, Amiee Pritcher, Arlene Palmiter, Donald Albano, Linda Anelli, Adam Levine, Jeannie Flanagan, John Angeleri, Deerfield Valley News and the Brattleboro Reformer.

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