

DARTMOUTH FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING
MAY 14, 2008

Pursuant to a Warrant duly issued by the Prudential Committee of the District, the Annual Meeting of the District was held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008. The meeting was called to order by the District Clerk at 6:30 P.M. who declared that 33 registered voters being present and that 25 comprise a quorum, a quorum in fact was present.

The Clerk noted that the Warrant was posted in accordance with the By-Laws of the District in Engine House, Town Hall, Southworth Library, Council On Aging, and in the Dartmouth Chronicle on April 23, 2008.

A Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence for those of the District who have died since our last meeting.

The Clerk noted that all appropriations for the meeting would be raised from the Tax Levy unless otherwise stated in the motion.

The District Clerk then took up action on Article 1 of the Warrant.

ARTICLE 1: To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.

MOVED and seconded to elect Randall Weeks Jr. to the position of Moderator, Atty Randall Weeks, Jr., informed the body that he served the District on legal issues in the past and he asked if anyone objected to him serving as moderator for this meeting. He stated that if there were any objections, he would step down and another moderator would be chosen. There was one objection, so he did not accept the position.

MOVED and seconded to elect Stuart Washburn to the position of moderator, but Mr. Washburn declined.

MOVED and seconded to elect Marcel Dumont to the position of moderator.

VOTED unanimously at 6:38 P.M.

The Moderator was sworn to the faithful performance of his duties, and took over the meeting.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the District will vote to compensate firefighter trainees at the rate of \$12.00 per hour, firefighters at the rate of \$18.00 per hour, lieutenants at the rate of \$19.00 per hour, captains at the rate of \$20.00 per hour and dispatchers at the rate of \$17.00 per hour for toned incidents and to further

compensate all district personnel for all other duties at the rate of \$15.00 per hour.

Inserted by the Prudential Committee

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MOVED and seconded and unanimously voted at 6:38 P.M. that the District compensate firefighter trainees at the rate of \$15.00 per hour, firefighters at the rate of \$18.00 per hour, lieutenants at the rate of \$19.00 per hour, captains at the rate of \$20.00 per hour and dispatchers at the rate of \$17.00 per hour for toned incidents and to further compensate all district personnel for all other duties at the rate of \$15.00 per hour.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$497,000. for the SUPPORT OF THE DISTRICT.
The fiscal year 2008 appropriation was \$467,000.

MOVED, seconded and unanimously voted at 6:40 P.M. that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$497,000. for the SUPPORT OF THE DISTRICT.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the DISTRICT will vote to fix the salaries of the several District Officers, the Assessors, and the Tax Collector for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and to appropriate a sum of money therefore.

Chief	\$60,000.
First Assistant Engineer	\$ 9,000.
Second Assistant Engineer	\$ 9,000.
District Clerk	\$ 2,000.
District Treasurer	\$10,000.
Prudential Committee (3 @ \$1000.)	\$ 3,000.
Auditors (3 @ \$ 550.)	\$ 1,650.
Oil Burner Inspector	\$ 2,000.
Assessors (3 @\$125.)	\$ 375.
Tax Collector	\$ 125.
Moderator	\$ 125.
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	\$97,275.

MOVED, and seconded and voted at 6:45 P.M. that the District raise and appropriate \$97,275. for the salaries of the District Officers.
Chief Alcainho abstained and there was one in opposition.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000. for the BUILDING ACCOUNT for maintenance and running expenses of the land and building owned by the District
Unchanged from fiscal year 2001.

MOVED, seconded and unanimously voted at 6:46 P.M. that the district raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000. for the BUILDING ACCOUNT for maintenance and running expenses of the land and building owned by the District.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the District will vote to authorize the Board of Engineers, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, to sell or otherwise dispose of any surplus equipment belonging to the District.
This article is an annual request.

MOVED, seconded and unanimously voted at 6:47 P.M. that the District authorize the Board of Engineers, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, to sell or otherwise dispose of any surplus equipment belonging to the District.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000. for the RESERVE FUND.
The Reserve Fund is utilized for extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures. The unencumbered balance will revert back to Surplus Revenue at the end of the fiscal year.

MOVED, seconded and unanimously voted at 6:48 P.M. that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000. for the RESERVE FUND.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the following specific purposes:

A: FY2008 Audit	\$ 5,000.
B: Class A Uniforms – Purchase and Repairs	\$ 8,000.
C: Municipal Software Package	\$20,000.
D: Protective Equipment	\$20,000.

Discussion ensued concerning Municipal Software Package and that other information would be given to John Foster, District Treasurer to research and make the decision to purchase the best package for the District.

MOVED, and seconded and unanimously voted at 7:00 P.M. to accept Article 8 as written.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the District will vote to transfer \$40,000. from free cash for the purchase of Automated External Defibrillators. The Board of Engineers

or Chief Engineer shall distribute one AED to each firefighter/officer willing to possess one.

Discussion ensued concerning the liability concerning the handling of the AED's.

MOVED, seconded and voted to amend the motion to seek legal advise concerning liability and have the Prudential Committee make the decision concerning this matter pending legal opinion.

VOTED 18 For, 1 Against and 3 Abstained

MOVED, seconded and voted to approve this article as amended.

VOTED 19 For, 1 Against, 2 Abstained, at 7:22 P.M.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000. for the STABILIZATION FUND.

MOVED, seconded and unanimously voted at 7:23 P.M. that the District raise and appropriate \$25,000. for the STABILIZATION FUND.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was:

MOVED, seconded and unanimously voted that the annual meeting stand adjourned at 7:24 P.M.

ATTEST:

Edward V. Pimental, Jr., District Clerk