COTUIT FIRE DISTRICT PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Via ZOOM and In Person Freedom Hall COTUIT, MA 02635 October 20, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Mark Lynch on October 20, 2025, @6:02pm at Freedom Hall, Cotuit, MA and could be seen virtually on ZOOM.

Chair Mark Lynch led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mark did roll call:

Present: Chairman Mark Lynch, Prudential Committee Members Seth Burdick, John Havel, Treasurer, Ray Pirrone, Assistant Treasurer Ryan Ouellette

Public Comment:

Lallie Lloyd of 340 Vineyard Road, began the public comment period by addressing a previous misunderstanding. She clarified that the district's bylaws do not allow for ex-officio appointments to any committees, and therefore, she would not be appointing herself as an ex-officio member of either the Policy Advisory Committee or the Bylaws Committee. She added, however, that since both committees conduct open public meetings, she intends to attend as many as possible.

Ms. Lloyd then followed up with Commissioners Havel and Burdick to ask if they had scheduled the initial meetings for their respective committees. Commissioners responded that they had not yet done so but planned to schedule a meeting within the week with Mr. Havel commenting that he will coordinate with Fire Commissioner Zais, who would also participate.

Ms. Lloyd then introduced **Tom Klein** as her second appointee to the Policy Advisory Committee, which will be chaired by Commissioner Havel.

Mr. Klein briefly introduced himself, noting that he had been associated with Cotuit for sixty years—first as a summer resident and more recently as a full-time one. Mr. Klein explained that his professional background was in startup companies, with a focus on finance and operations. Having retired four years earlier, he and his wife had moved to Cotuit permanently, and he expressed enthusiasm about contributing to community activities and supporting the town's work.

Mr. Lynch thanked him for volunteering and emphasized the committee's appreciation for his service.

Meeting Minutes Approval:

MOTION: To approve the meeting minutes from September 22, 2025.

<u>DISCUSSION:</u> Slight scrivener's error with Mark Boudreau's name misspelled and name attribution regarding motions.

Motion made by: Seth Burdick Seconded by: John Havel Motion passed unanimously. (Mark Lynch, Seth Burdick, John Havel)

Scheduling of Future November Meeting

The committee next discussed scheduling their November meeting, noting that the regularly scheduled date fell during Thanksgiving week. Mr. Lynch proposed moving it one week earlier to November 17, 2025. Commissioners agreed, and Mr. Lynch confirmed that the new date would be the next classification meeting. Coordination for confirming the change was noted.

Mr. Lynch added that additional scheduling matters might need to be discussed later, depending on the results of the evening's executive session. He tentatively suggested that interviews related to an ongoing project could take place the following Monday or later that week, contingent on the outcome of the Executive session.

MOTION: To go into Executive Session.

Motion made by: Mark Lynch Seconded by: John Havel

Motion passed unanimously. (Mark Lynch, Seth Burdick, John Havel)

Respectfully submitted,

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