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Present: Mrs. Nailor, Mr. Field, Mr. Mycock, Chief Olsen

Mr. Mycock: Okay, I'm going to call the March 20th 2014 Cotuit Fire Commissioner's Meeting to order at 1:03 pm. Could I have ... Those who are recording, please identify themselves with their name. First, I'm going to ... I'll make a statement for ourselves to our new system. Hopefully, some of you may have already gone through our website. Our recordings are now going to be on the website monthly. I'd actually probably layer the day for this meeting. You can go there today and hear our last one. We're still working out a few bugs, so I'm going to have a discussion with Fran Parks a little bit later here in front of the group as how things are working, but you can hear the whole meeting.

Out of that, as we learn how to use this system, we need anyone who wants to be recognized and hear it, has to speak into a microphone. I'll discuss the reasons for that, a little further, other than the obvious that you can hear it on the recording. Hence, when I start off by asking these questions, we'll need you to speak into the microphone. In reference to missed case condition, we'll bring the microphone to her. With that in mind, if you wouldn't mind make sure that's on ... there should be a green light on top. You press the button and a green light will come on the very top of the microphone.

Miss. Parks: That would turn the recording.

Mr. Mycock: Would you mind handing that?

Miss. Parks: It indicates its recording.

Mr. Mycock: Okay. Turn it down just a little. Okay. Now, review of previous minutes. We do have some draft minutes on the website. It was December 19th. They've been there for a while. I just want to ... Oh, let me back up again; my apologies. Commissioner Field called me about ten minutes ago. He'll be here, but it's going to be late. That's much better, Fran. Thank you. I wish I could remember why defer them what we did, but we did post them. I'd ask you to listen to the December minutes. How do you feel about the December 19th 2013 minutes that were formally draft minutes?

Mr. Mycock: If you would. We can share.

Mrs Nailor: Okay. I make motion that we accept the December 18th 2013 Fire Commissioner Monthly Meeting.

Mr. Mycock: I'll second it, all those in favor.

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Mrs. Nailor: Aye.

Mr. Mycock: Aye. Can I take that? Do you want a copy?

Mrs. Nailor: No, thanks.

Mr. Mycock: Okay. At this point, I'm going to discuss our last meeting, which is on the website. You can listen to it. Also, we're in the process of ... We this board is in the process of having the minutes transcribed. I'm going to engage Commissioner Parks a little bit here now to discuss this. She has provided me with the website. They'll transcribe the minutes for us, verbatim. The cost is \$1 per minute, which is as far I'm concerned well worth of money. We did talk with some local people to see if we can get them to do it. Their pricing was a lot higher.

Hopefully, this is the new ... As of the last meeting; this is the new age for the board of fire commissioners. I won't speak for any other boards. I have also been told, but I'm in the process of getting it in writing from the attorney general's office that we no longer have to do any sorts of minutes for those two items done. I'm presuming we probably have to, and probably latter is for instructions. We probably have to approve a transcript. No one ... there can be no more discussion about what was and wasn't said.

As to the recordings, Fran, I noticed when I listened to the last meeting. When we hit "record," it's that. You've got to wait a while to get into the ... If anything doesn't stop at ten minutes, you got to move the thing forward to get to where it stops, so you can listen to it. The clarity I think is excellent. I'm sure it's going to be better than anything that anybody might be recording. Because of this, we need you to speak into the microphone, whoever is speaking. That was ... The one little drawback I saw was finding the starting spot because of ... I'm sure that Miss. Parks can help you on that.

Miss. Parks: Well, I have been educating myself on manipulating these recordings. I've actually figured out how to get rid of the ... how to delete the empty space. They'll be pretty much starting as soon as you hit the button of "play." Work in progress. I'm not really much of an AV person, but this profound something on the Internet I could deal with.

Mr. Mycock: My hats off to you, quite frankly because we wouldn't have this without your effort.

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Miss. Parks: I brought along a copy of some minutes, the way they came back from the transcriber. The meeting was 11 minutes long, and the cost was \$11. This was not a verbatim, because I figured I could probably add some. Hang on a second.

Mr. Mycock: Okay. All right. For the record, Commissioner Field is in the building.

Miss. Parks: Yes. That's the way it came back from the transcription service. That came back in one day. The verbatim ones take three to four days. You need to put it better on it that it's the Cotuit Fire District, which we have a committee minutes. I've also spoken to Mike Daley about how we ... if we can establish an account with them, the transcription service. He said, "Yes." He gave me ... I need to work with Tony on doing that. Once we have an account, then, you'll be able to take your disc or jack and just send it off.

Mr. Mycock: Okay. Do you send them a disc, or do you upload?

Miss. Parks: We'll upload it.

Mr. Mycock: Upload, okay. That's what I thought when I saw.

Miss. Parks: Yes. Initially, the problem with one of the first recordings was the way it was recorded by the system here. I talked to [inaudible 00:10:55] it's now recording in MP3, which is better.

Mr. Mycock: I believe they're for us too. That's an example of how it comes back on, not a verbatim, I don't know what ...

Miss. Parks: That was just a regular transcript. They left out the [inaudible 00:11:17].

Mr. Mycock: Okay, good. That is our new process. We'll have a written confirmation from the AGs office when they get it to us, also from the Secretarial States Office. I'm presuming we'll probably have to vote on the transcript. I don't know that for a fact. It's the new age of minutes.

Miss. Parks: Actually I don't see much difference between what we're proposing on doing. If you listen to the town counsel and they have a third-party, not a member of the committee doing the minutes or transcribing from a tape. It's the same thing.

Mr. Mycock: I think it probably becomes somewhat standard practice in some government agencies. Okay. With that in mind, you can listen to the last meeting's minutes now, if you want, on the website. We're not going to approve minutes at this

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meeting. We'll have a transcription back shortly of the whole meeting. We're going to be having another meeting within the first two weeks of April. We'll have it then. We'll move on now. Actually, any questions on that from the floor? Okay. I'll move on to public comments.

Mrs. Nailor: Chairman, I have a concern that the committee maybe violating open meeting laws by going into executive session regarding the chief's contract, since no substantial discussion has occurred in open session regarding the chief's contract. Thanks for this opportunity.

Mr. Mycock: Is there any other public comment? Okay, Chief's report.

Chief Olsen: Its pretty high-tech. Thank you. Well, good afternoon everybody. It's a wonderful spring day out there. Hopefully, we can enjoy that some time this afternoon. Okay. My report for monthly activities from last year was 186. This year, it's 151. We're actually down some calls, approximately 35 calls. Probably due to no major storms, that usually contributes to about 35 to 50 calls for us when we do have a major storm. I do have a closeout of last fiscal year for our runs for our ambulance services. In fire services, we roughly did about 796 calls, almost 800. We did increased last year about 51 calls.

It seems like we caught back up to be lower this year. Our time has time into start creeping up on some calls. We did have a couple of storms that started as off very high. Talking to my colleagues around us, there are some that have ... It was probably the trends out, there are some that have increased the numbers and some that have decreased the numbers. Some of the storms brought a lot of calls, and some storms did not. It's interesting for different particular areas. That's really interesting.

The activities for Comstar for the whole year from January to January, 2013 to January 2014, the total allowable that we went out to ask for is \$196,407.96. The total collected was \$141,322.86. I did not check the percentage if this is accurate or not. I'm assuming it is. It says 71.95 percent, we ... percentage that's collected. Till this month, excuse me, to January, we don't have February's yet. They haven't sent us February's or March's yet. Obviously March is not over. For January, we have \$26,000 in write-offs. The ending balance for that would be \$43,893.40 in that since the beginning of July. From July to January, we have \$43,893.

I did notice that some chiefs in departments requested to change what we're actually receiving from the insurance companies. We have a percentage that we

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can get from, say, BLS call or Basic Life Support call to an Advanced Life Support call. They have different numbers, different amount of money that they charge, the insurance companies charges. Then, we allotted the money after they received their benefits. We're pretty much in the low range. We're about \$100 or close to almost the same as what Medicare fees are allowed. There are some departments that do 150 percent to 300 percent. It's varied. Some places are very expensive for the insurance, and some places are not. We're in the not range. We haven't really gone up in our allowable rates. Our current rates, for instance, for BLS call which is the Basic Life Support, probably no oxygen is administered or nothing, and that's \$372,000 for that call basically.

We charged 471. Other departments may charge a 1000 for that same call. That's something that maybe the board and myself could focus in on and look at it, we can raise this slightly. Again, we do write-off people that cannot afford to do this. We're mostly basically getting what the insurances are providing. The insurance will provide more. We just don't ask them more. It's pretty interesting.

Mr. Mycock: I remember we did this ... Probably it was ... let's say, it might have been ten years ago, seven years ago, last increase we got. I think we should bring it back.

Chief Olsen: Yeah, I totally agree. I mean, we had talked about this, we, being the fire chiefs talked about this. I have seven towns that I can get their information from. Not every town has contributed yet, but that would be something to look at. I did look at it. We're pretty close to lowest.

Mr. Mycock: [Inaudible 00:19:12] would actually look at that and bring it back to us. We'll have a good discussion on that. There is no reason for us to leave money on the table. It's always been the position of this board. I'm sure it continues to be. However, we don't want to discourage people from taking their phone up and calling us. That's not the intent. If people have insurance and they pay 200 and we're asking for 100, that probably doesn't make sense. Is that what you're saying?

Chief Olsen: Exactly. I think we need to raise our rates. I really do. I mean we still can be lower pretty much than anybody else and still raise the rates to do something else. That will help our ambulance service basically.

Mr. Mycock: Well, it goes into the general fund. It helps us to tax raise.

Chief Olsen: Yes, definitely.

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Mr. Mycock: Bring that back. Would you, please?

Chief Olsen: Got it. The apparatus update for old business, we did talk about the update for 262R ambulance. We know our ambulance is getting old. It's aging out. It's due to be replaced 2015, which is we're working on that. I did request that we ... I came to the board last three months ago and requested a new ambulance. I'm still on that. We do need a new ambulance. Our ambulance itself is deteriorating. The maintenance is definitely in the increase. The engine is showing its wear. Like I said, there were cracks, that the state inspectors saw and had concerns about, but did not take us out of service. As you know, that is the only revenue that the fire department, other than fire prevention does, that's substantial.

Mr. Mycock: We'll be bringing forward a special warrant out for this year. Have you prepared one or you'll be preparing one?

Chief Olsen: I do have one right here in the spectrum. It's on the state bid. We're going to be probably looking in the range of \$236,000. That will get us too where we need to be. It's not the largest ambulance. It's not the smallest ambulance that we have now. It's in between.

Mr. Mycock: Has the treasurer been informed that we'll be looking at this?

Chief Olsen: Yes.

Mr. Mycock: Good.

Chief Olsen: Okay. Call firefighters, we're up to 14 call firefighters. We have 12 full-time members and we have 14 call firefighters. We're looking really well on that. We did do a new program. That's why I put call firefighters down here. Our new program is to evaluate our call department. We always want to continue to evaluate to make that our call department is doing their due diligence. We evaluated on terms of when they come back, how many times they come back and at what times they come back? We're looking at some numbers. There's a few. We have an SOP that they have to make so many. I think the board is very aware of that. In the past that had been a problem, years in the past.

We instituted this policy. It never went out, but people kind of forgotten little bit about it. About two months ago, I reinstated to make sure that everybody understands in that policy. If there's any confusion on the policy, we explained it to everybody in the form of the SOP. I've had no comments back in the policies in effect. Since then, we looked at the numbers, and there is some members that

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are really not making the number that we're looking for them to make to be engaged and to be a part of Cotuit Fire Department. We spoke to them and said "Let's see if we can ... is there any reason why or is there anything that we could do to help you come back to incidences?" There had been an increase in that. That's good.

They kind of worked. Still, we have probably about two that could probably leave our call department without any issues because of the nonexistence or ... coming back to callbacks. We rely on these call firefighters to come back emergency calls. These two members really don't participate as much we'd like them to. What I'm going to do is ask the board if I could ... I'm going to talk to them one more time, and do another month of studying this, and then come back to the board with maybe a recommendation of letting to go. If not if they do step up, then I won't make that recommendation. It's an honor to have these call firefighters. They should feel the same. If they're putting and engaging their time into Cotuit Fire Department, then I think we need to move people on, so we can hire people that want to be there. I'm hoping to have the support of the board in that cautiously. I'll do it cautiously.

Mr. Mycock: Okay. Any questions? Keep going, chief.

Chief Olsen: Okay. I did have union contract negotiations. I know the board was attempting to contact the union. I just put that in there. I didn't know ...

Mr. Mycock: Yeah. I'm glad you did. I'll update everyone. We have made an attempt to find a date; a mutual acceptable date so far. We haven't been able to find one. Either the board gave their available dates; the union was unavailable for those dates. At this stage, we're planning on meeting in April. There's also a concern, which is legitimate as the negotiating team as it may as defined by the laws consist of two members of this board, myself and Commissioner Field, and one member of the prudential committee, who is Commissioner Barry. Commissioner Barry is not running for re-election, nor is Commissioner Field. I don't want to say something ... okay. We have ... We, the three of us have put a lot of time into the contract going through it along with the chief. We have quite a list of things we want to discuss.

I, of course have no idea what the union wanted like to discuss. April is getting very short to May. The union is concerned that we'll come to May. Two of the negotiating team of three will be gone. I can tell you from past experiences, it's a fair concern.

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Chief Olsen: [Inaudible 00:27:12] I'm not understanding how that will affect the union negotiation if either me or Rick are not available to do that?

Mr. Mycock: Okay. What I'd say to you ...

Chief Olsen: My commitment is the same as it will be ...

Mr. Mycock: Oh, absolutely. All right. That isn't the question. The question is if we don't get it done by May, and you're out of office, you can't negotiate anymore.

Chief Olsen: I understand that.

Mr. Mycock: Two people would have to come on, and in theory two could vote it down. Do you follow me?

Chief Olsen: Yes.

Mr. Mycock: The district isn't going to be committed to anything. Of course the district isn't committed to anything until the people vote on it. The first step is that the negotiating team has to come to terms with the union. Then, it goes.

Chief Olsen: Okay, I'm getting. Probably we'd suspend the union?

Mr. Mycock: No, I'm not suggesting that at all. What I'm saying is there's this concern, and it's reasonable when you think about the timeframe.

Chief Olsen: No, I understand it.

Mr. Mycock: I don't think there's anything we can do about it. I'm certainly open to suggestions other than if we can get it done, which I'd love to get it done with. You have got three people at the moment that understand the contract, understand the process. There's a real learning curve for somebody that I can speak to as little bit of authority, even ... That's the concern. I say we plough ahead and try and get it done.

Chief Olsen: I think we're obliged to giving an attempt.

Mr. Mycock: Oh, absolutely. That wasn't where I was going. I was just really giving a broad picture of where we stand. I think we can ... Was intention was to give them, tell us when you can meet. They won't meet on weekends, board ... our team was more than willing to meet at anytime, but that's fine.

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Chief Olsen: Was the union's representative hesitant to move forward, is that ...

Mr. Mycock: No, no. I wasn't saying that. That was a concern. That's just a concern. I wasn't ... What they're picturing is us ... everybody knows how difficult negotiations are, this is generally over money. They're going to go through a process. That's going to go beyond the two commission's timeframe. We won't come to terms. Then, we'll have to back up and educate some people; new commission is in that ... as far I'm concerned that would very fair. They'd want to know what the heck they were voting on. I like yourself think we should try and finish this up as quickly as we can. Essentially, it is the ... Finally, we're going to get rid of enough stuff that we have dealt with over the last few years, that we can give this all that time. I'm going to propose three or four meetings for starting April 5th to whenever.

Chief Olsen: Okay.

Mr. Mycock: Okay. Did you get it or not ...

Chief Olsen: No, I understand. It's not that I'm not understanding, I'm not ...

Mr. Mycock: Okay. Nobody was calling in to question integrity or anything of that nature.

Chief Olsen: No, no. I understand that.

Mr. Mycock: That's what is going on with that in any event.

Chief Olsen: Okay. Full-time personnel put that on there. One of our members is retiring. Mike Owen; I can say that I guess he put ...

Mr. Mycock: Absolutely. He is one [inaudible 00:31:47].

Chief Olsen: Literally.

Mr. Mycock: haven't seen anybody that happy in a long time.

Chief Olsen: I just like to bring the board to ... Mike, just to let the board know that Michael has been since I have been here in July of 2008, Michael has been an outstanding paramedic, outstanding firefighter. I hardly ever see him in my office. He was always busy, always in great shape doing what he needs to do. I just wanted to openly say that certainly I appreciate his efforts, his dedication, his time and his compassion to what he did for 23 plus, I think its 23 years and 9 months. I just ...

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Yes, we're definitely going to miss him. I want the board to recognize that if they could ...

Mr. Mycock: Chief, I'm wondering if I ... Did you sent a letter to him, a thank you letter?

Chief Olsen: Yes. I sent a thank you letter to him, and also a little accommodation to like what we do a get together with him. He doesn't want to party. He has acknowledged, yeah, I don't want to party. I'm all set. It was no reason why he didn't. He just ... He is not going to be around, I don't think. He is going to go travel. As you know, he was from Mammoth Lakes area, so he is going to be doing a lot of camping, lot of traveling. He is very happy with that. I'll send him a letter of congratulations and thanking him personally as well through the department as well through the district.

Mr. Mycock: Well, I'm just thinking if we could put the board of fire commissioner's signatures on that.

Chief Olsen: Absolutely. That would be wonderful.

Mr. Mycock: I'd do it. Okay. Mike is a good man.

Chief Olsen: That is great. Yeah, thank you very much. That leaves us now with an opening. He is going to retire July 31st. We do have a list of two people. Now, Michael was a paramedic. We also have some call firefighters that are very anxious to become a full-time member for us, make it to it. That is always a wonderful thing. There are some members that we have that are right now going to paramedics school call members. They are going to paramedics school that I just would like to mention because I know we have two on the list, but I was wondering if this board would detain open it up a little bit to call firefighters as well to have a process in place, to maybe when they finish their medics school that it might be a possibility for them to be a hire for us, as well as looking into what it costs and everything. I just want to do that because it's important to this chief that we recognize the call department that it's very important to us they do a great job. They put their heart and soul into making minimal money, what they do and they do it for as a vocation, which is wonderful.

Certainly they do want a profession out of this, and that's wonderful too. I just want to bring that up to the board in a public meeting just because I think it's important. I think they deserve a shot at least, and a possible shot at being hired with us. We always want to hire from our call department. It's just that in the past, our call department wasn't paramedics. Now, a couple are going. There

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might be an opportunity there for us to look into those two individuals or three that we have as well as the two on the list.

Mr. Mycock: Any comments?

Mrs. Nailor: I absolutely think that's a great idea. I know we have some really dedicated long-term call firefighters. I'd certainly approve that.

Mr. Mycock: One thing, Brenda, that Commissioner Nailor, we need to say that names. No, no I'm going to have to ... we need to get into that routine for the minutes. We probably can figure out, who is speaking but that's not the idea. When you do speak into the microphone try and say your name. Commissioner Field, any comments?

Mr. Field: No.

Mr. Mycock: I feel we should ... I have always been a supporter of the call department in here. I think it's the right thing to do to give people encouragement that they can get a job. I think your job, we've got two things going on here, Chief, I think. We have got ... You've got some people ... I'm not sure obviously at the moment, but we're down a person. We've got ... We're paying overtime now, right? Where we're at is do we hire somebody to try and keep our overtime down, decline the list right now? That can come in and work. Am I right on that?

Chief Olsen: Yes, correct.

Mr. Mycock: Or do we need to create a protocol? Is that what you are suggesting as to ...

Chief Olsen: It's been done in the past here in Cotuit Fire, not necessarily with me as the Fire Chief, but with the former Chief here. It's been done where there are in paramedic school. They get an opportunity to take that spot, and then when they graduate they're a full-fledged paramedic Cotuit firefighter. If they do not, and they'd sign something, if they cannot pass it after a certain time that the board and myself agrees upon with that particular individual, then we'd say, "We need to move on." We'd be hiring someone right away either way. Either way there wouldn't be ... I'd like to definitely hire someone right away.

It was my hope that in the past that we'd have two paramedics on each shift. We do have that right now. That goal came to full vision, so that was great. With this, there will be one paramedic on that shift until if indeed we try to do something like this, until that person graduates and becomes a paramedic. Like I said, it will

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be only for people that are medics or that are in the class right now, going through the program. It would be a year or a little less than a year to finish up the program. Then, we would have now two paramedics in a shift, then and so be it. I guess what I'm asking for is maybe a little bit, an open dialogue with you folks to see how you feel as Commissioners? Personally, I feel okay with it. I'd like to reach out to you three to ask the board to a possible consideration of the time and effort that these call firefighters put in, as well as their willingness to better themselves as paramedics and give back to us too as well.

I just want to fill it out there. We do have two on the list, and we have two or three ... one paramedic as call firefighter and two going to class right now in the paramedic class. We could potentially ... what I'm asking is to add those three on the list, and then go through an interview process and see how it comes out.

Mr. Mycock: Okay, yes. I want to just ... I mean I'm interested in at least examining that and getting Commissioner Nailor, how do you feel?

Chief Olsen: Absolutely, I just ... are we going, we can't be overwriting the regular hiring process because ... is that what you're talking about, are we going to accepting these people to the call firefighters to walk to the front of the line?

Mr. Mycock: Not so much to the front of the line. It's to get them in the process to be interviewed. They may ... They may have ... isn't that going to be a consideration that you'd have in the hiring process that wouldn't be something that we would necessarily have to vote on. That would be at your discretion. It's one of the things that you take into consideration when you hire someone, which would make sense that when you've got someone that you're hiring, that you're looking at the people within to hire. I don't know at what exactly you're asking of us.

Chief Olsen: Okay. We've had a list since April last year and we've been hiring of that list. We have got that list down to two left. It ends actually in April because I only wanted the list to last a year, so we could redo it.

Mr. Mycock: May I ask how large was that list initially?

Chief Olsen: It was six.

Mr. Mycock: Don't you think that list has gotten stale by this point anyway? Whenever we're going to hire, that list needs to be refreshed?

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Chief Olsen: Yeah. That's what I was thinking. I said before this list exhausts we can keep those two on and just add these other possibly qualified people that we have, one as a medic and the other two are going to class, which will be qualified.

Mr. Mycock: If I may, just ... I know what we've done in the past. This is a dynamic process by virtue of what it is. When you go through the hiring process as it is, some weight was given to the fact that you were on a call fire department, which would add to your school. Would it be a consideration or there would be points out of ... less discretionary area we look forward?

Chief Olsen: Yes, sir. We do have a points system that we use. It's not very ambiguous at all if there's a point system and what the points are is what they are. When they do come out everybody has a number. Then they fall in that rank, and then we choose from the top three basically we look at.

Mr. Mycock: Not necessarily top number, but the top three.

Chief Olsen: Right, the top three.

Mr. Mycock: Because they can be 88, 87, I'm just making ... What happened in the past, no prescription for the future, but was maybe you'd get two points if you ... and again I'm making these numbers up, but for an example, if you're on a department and you've been on the department for X amount of time, you'd get a couple of points. If your score was 86, you'd get two points and you can end up with 88, which might put you up to the top on the list.

Chief Olsen: It's a possible consideration. That's why I want to bring it to the board. Yes, certainly I think the process is entitled to do that. I just wanted to bring it up to the board publicly.

Mr. Mycock: I guess what ... Again, what you are asking to do?

Chief Olsen: All I'm asking to do is if ...

Mr. Mycock: Would we consider doing that?

Chief Olsen: Yes.

Mr. Mycock: I think should we take a vote ...

Chief Olsen: Result is considered ...

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Mr. Mycock: We'll consider it.

Chief Olsen: That's all I wanted to do is to mention it.

Mr. Mycock: I think I need to take a vote on it.

Chief Olsen: Thank you. I just wanted to mention it to you, so if you're hearing any stuff out there in this wonderful ...

Mr. Mycock: We'll wait to hear from you.

Chief Olsen: Okay, thank you. Thank you. I don't know if you want to take that next one.

Mr. Mycock: Yeah, I'll take the fire chief contract. I hate doing this. Our lawyers have the contract, and there was some language that the board wanted to be clarified, and they were not ready. They promised me they would have in a week. They told me I could blame them, so I'm. I told them that I wished to ... we are going to have a budgetary meeting, and again probably we'll be having a series of meetings as we always do this time of the year first couple three weeks in April, and I want to get that done then. We have had our execution sessions. We're aware of the open meeting lot. There will be discussions in public about it. I'm sure our diligent open meeting, like complain ... will either complain or they won't. That's the status under chief contract. There will be no executive's session today, and no discussion other than that.

Chief Olsen: Okay, thank you. New business for dispatch, we are staying with Com, as I didn't bring any other attention to the shares department. We're staying with Com, Chief Lynn is very happy that we decided to stay. He had asked me ... One of his first orders of business when he came in as new Chief was to get in touch with Cotuit Fire Chief and ask us, "Please, would you consider staying with us?" They did lower the number to what we have now. I think its 35,000, around there and we are staying with that right now. We're looking good and we are also talking about the turn against the rule itself having a dispatch center as you saw just in the paper, you saw doing nothing with all chiefs getting together with a police chief. Hopefully that will happen at a later time, a later point. That will be good. We already talked about 262 just need to be replaced. Thank you.

Mr. Mycock: All right. Any other new business for the board? All right. Let's pick ... Chief, you'll be at the Monday night Prudential Committee?

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Chief Olsen: Yes, sir. I'll be there. I know it's not on the agenda. I don't want to have an open meeting law violation, but there is a draft ...

Mr. Mycock: I'm just asking you a question, you'll be there?

Chief Olsen: Yes, I'll be there.

Mr. Mycock: With the draft preliminary?

Chief Olsen: It is already completed, so, yes sir.

Mr. Mycock: Okay. I'd like to have a meeting with us sometime during ... 3rd or 4th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th or 11th. How is the board booked in? Subject to ...

Mr. Field: I'm good, I'm okay.

Mr. Mycock: How about Friday, April 4th at 1:00? Yes. We'll do budget and we'll discuss and vote on the chief contract at that meeting. April 4th at 1:00, here in Freedom Hall. All right. Do we have ... We don't have warrants anymore. I guess we keep them on here, don't we? It's just interesting how we do that. Well, I'd hope there is nothing else. Entertain a motion to adjourn. If I hear one?

Mrs. Nailor: I'm Brenda Nailor. I make a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Mycock: All those in favor.

Chief Olsen: Aye.

Mr. Mycock: Aye. The meeting is adjourned.