

**BARNSTABLE FIRE DISTRICT
1841 PHINNEY'S LANE
BARNSTABLE, MA 02630**

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING DECEMBER 27, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Prudential Committee Chairman William Jones at the Water Department Office, 1841 Phinney's Lane, Barnstable. Also, in attendance was Prudential Committee members Joshua Miller and Andrew Miller, Chief Frank Pulsifer and Clerk Charles Eager.

The Prudential Committee interviewed two internal candidates for Deputy Fire Chief position opening when Deputy Fire Chief Pfautz retires the beginning of February. The Committee interviewed Captain Kevin Brailey and Captain Christopher Beal. Chairman Jones told the candidates because both candidates were internal the interviews would be informal and the position would not be filled until after Deputy Chief Pfautz's last day on the payroll. He explained the reason for making the decision now is to give the selected candidate time to be trained by Deputy Chief Pfautz about the duties of the job.

After the Committee interviewed the candidates, it had discussion between themselves and the Fire Chief. They discussed perceived strengths and weaknesses of each candidate. After the deliberation finished Chairman Jones asked if they were ready to select a candidate. Both Joshua and Andrew Miller said they were ready.

Joshua and Andrew Miller said they were favoring Christopher Beal for the position. Chairman Jones said he was in agreement and asked for a motion to be made.

Joshua Miller then **made a motion to offer Captain Christopher Beal the position of Deputy Fire Chief pending contract negotiations and retirement of Deputy Chief Pfautz, the motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

Chairman Jones will inform both candidates of the decision.

Motion made, seconded and passed unanimously by the Prudential Committee to adjourn the meeting.