BRANDON FIRE DISTRICT NO 1

Prudential Committee Meeting – October 8, 2026 – 6:30 PM

Present: Natalie Steen (Zoom), Cathy Bilodeau, Amber Lee
Also in Attendance: Tom Kilpeck, Bradley Danforth, Brian Kilpeck (Zoom), Mike Miller (Zoom)

1) **Call to Order**
   Natalie Steen called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.
   a) Agenda Adoption – Amber/Cathy made a motion to adopt the agenda. **Motion passed 3-0**

2) **Old Business**
   a) **MERP -** Chief Kilpeck provided an update on the MERP Grant project, noting that the ventilation company is scheduled for October 19th and the solar company tentatively for the week of November 8th.

3) **Fiscal**
   a) Warrant – Fire Department – Motion by Amber/Cathy to approve the general fund warrant for the fire department of $3,592.76. **Motion passed 3-0.**
   b) Warrant – Water Department – Motion by Amber/Cathy to approve the general fund warrant for the water department of $107,821.72. Natalie asked how many years are left on the bond payments. **Motion passed 3-0.**
   c) Warrant – Payroll – Motion by Amber/Cathy to approve the payroll warrant of $10,535.43.**Motion passed 3-0.**
   d) Warrant – Water Department Reserve - Motion by Amber/Cathy to approve the water department reserve warrant of $16,136.00. **Motion passed 3-0.**

4) **Approval of Minutes** – Motion by Cathy/Natalie to approve the minutes of September 10, 2026. **Motion passed 3-0**

5) **Water Department Report –** As printed.

6) **Fire Department Report –** Chief Kilpeck reported on a busy month with 20 calls, including completed testing on ladders and air packs, and mentioned that several people attended various classes.

7) **New Business –** Draft 2027-2028 Budget - The board discussed the draft budget, including operator salary increases and the need to adjust gas and oil estimates due to rising costs. Chief Kilpeck explained a $6,000 increase in communication for specialized portable radios and noted the need to replace the ladder truck within two years. The chief questioned a $2,000 increase in telephone and internet and suggested it might be a coding issue. The board voted to hold a special meeting on October 22nd at 6:30 pm to discuss draft budgets.

8) **Public Comment –** None

9) **Adjournment -** Motion by Amber/Cathy to adjourn at 6:48 pm. **Motion passed 3-0.**

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Prudential Committee will be held on Thursday, November 12th, at 6:30 pm in the Fire Department conference room at 61 Franklin Street.

Raymond Counter
Clerk for the Board