

Minutes - Fire Station Study Committee

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

(Subcommittee of WFD Prudential Committee)

Members Present:

Joyce Bacchiocchi, Allyson Bonin, Dean Decas, John Kelley, Mark Rogers, Alex Estes, Chris McIntosh, Matt Bennett, Catherine Giannelli, Roger Blank, Wendy Lemieux, Brianne (Wareham Week)

6:00 pm Open Meeting

- Prudential Committee thanked Roger Blank who has joined the Committee

6:03 pm Presentation from Todd Costa - Kaestle Boos Associates, Inc.

- Completed feasibility study for the District in 2011-2012.
- 2012 feasibility study showed the Fire District Facilities were non-compliant, worn out, undersized, and poorly located for planning and development.
- In 2012, the optimal location was Tobey Road and Cranberry Highway.
- In 2012, 8.5 acres were required to satisfy the District's needs.
- The Anticipated Total Project Cost should be requested at District Meeting. This includes the construction cost, equipping cost (furniture, security, technology, etc.), indirect soft costs (architectural, management, contingencies, etc.)
- Recommendations: complete a response time study and manpower study.

7:16 pm Discussion

- The response time study completed in the 1990's is very outdated.
- Public Safety funding is not available like schools receive.
- Is debt inclusion possible as a District?
- Fire Stations are deemed essential, making them more expensive to build. They fall into the category with shelters, hospitals, and police stations.
- Is there value in combining police and fire?
- We need to solicit for land on the central register.
- Our first step is to update the feasibility study to find out how much the project is going to cost.
- Captain Tyler Crabb completed a response analysis for our ISO rating. This included existing locations and response time.

7:37 pm Next Meeting

- Request Captain Tyler Crabb's presence to discuss the response analysis.
- Next meeting is tentatively, Tuesday, December 16, 2025.

7:39 pm Adjourn

- Motion by Catherine Giannelli, second John Kelley. Approved 10-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted by Allyson Bonin, Secretary, 11/18/2025

Chair Joyce Bauhin Vote Date 1/13/26

Clerk Abonn Approve 7

Disapprove 0

Abstain 0