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*Our mission is to educate, communicate and promote a sense of community in our Village*

The Cotuit-Santuit Civic Association will hold its annual **Candidates and Budget** night on **Tuesday, June 16**, beginning at **7:30 p.m.** Due to continuing restrictions on gatherings of more than 10 people, we have decided that this year's meeting will be held as a Zoom meeting.

You can join this meeting by clicking the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81560979005>, or by signing into Zoom, and using the following meeting number: 81560979005. There is no password required for this meeting.

At this meeting, representatives of the Fire and Water Department and the Prudential Committee will present the proposed budgets for the forthcoming fiscal year and answer questions that any attendees may have about those proposals. During the meeting, we will be able to have the budgets shown on the screen that you use to view the meeting. You can also access a summary of the budgets and the funding requests that will be voted on at the District Annual Meeting (which will take place on June 24) on the website of the Cotuit Fire District, at [www.cotuitfiredistrict.org](http://www.cotuitfiredistrict.org). Click on the "Budget Reports" item on the right side of the home screen of that website, and then click on "FY 2021 ADM Financial Articles Funding Requests."

We will have a question period after the presentation of the budgets for each of the Fire and Water Departments and the Prudential Committee. We ask that you type your questions into the Chat Feature on Zoom, identifying yourself and your address. The meeting moderator will then read your question to the relevant presenter. If you prefer to ask your question, then enter your name and address in the Chat Feature, and the meeting moderator will announce you, at which time you may ask your question. We are putting these procedures in place in an effort to maintain an orderly discussion that enables everyone to ask any questions or make any comments that they might have and provide all with the ability to hear the District representatives without undue interference.

After the budget discussion, the candidates for the District offices will introduce themselves and you will have the opportunity to ask questions of them. There is one seat open for election on the Prudential Committee and each of the Board of Commissioners of the Water

and Fire Departments. Seth Burdick and Cynthia Gardner are candidates for the one seat on the Prudential Committee; Peter Vollmer and Adam Zais (incumbent) are running for the one seat for the Fire Department; and Tom Hoppensteadt (incumbent) is running unopposed for the Water Department Commissioner position. We will follow the same procedures for these question periods as outlined above.

This meeting is your sole opportunity to hear from these candidates in advance of the District election on June 23. It also affords Villagers their best opportunity to hear from District officials concerning the budget for the coming fiscal year. We encourage you to participate in the call.

In order to avoid significant feedback and background noise, all participants will be muted. We ask that you remain muted throughout the meeting, and to unmute yourself only when you are called upon to speak. Once done, please be considerate of everyone else and place yourself back on mute. We look forward to a productive meeting.