

## Laramie County Fire District #3

### Board Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2024, at Station 1

**Board Attendance:** Dean Anderson, Rowdy Petsch, Jason McLaughlin, Greg Hansen, and Mike Peterson

**Firefighters and Other:** Lee Peterson (Chief), Jillian McLaughlin, Trevor Petsch and Vickie Schinzel

President Dean opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

#### Minutes:

- The minutes from the March meeting were reviewed. Rowdy moved and Mike 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the minutes. Passed.

#### Treasurer Report:

- The Reconciliation Report and the Bills to Pay Report were reviewed. Rowdy moved and Jason 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve as presented. Passed.
- Also reviewed the budget timeline Vickie presented and agreed to the proposed dates and times for proposed and final budget hearings.

#### Old Business:

- Grant Updates:
  - AFG-Jillian filed for a 1.4 million grant for two tender trucks.
  - Fire Prevention & Safety: Jillian is looking into this one to assist with a cistern. It is due April 12.
  - SAFER: This grant is for recruitment and retention and is also due April 12.
- Strategic Plan: Updated the strategic plan for the next 4-5 years. Greg will type it up and bring it back to the next meeting.

#### New Business:

- Discussed simplifying the financials by eliminating Farmers State Bank. The only item being paid for from this account is the building loan and could easily move that to Points West. Rowdy moved and Mike 2<sup>nd</sup> to close this checking account.

#### Chief's Report:

- The gravel work is being done by PB Gravel and the concrete work is to start next week.
- Monte Lerwick is to plant grass, alfalfa, and wildflowers out front.
- Jason is working on getting a sign for the entry drive.
- Logan Whitney is to replace the dead tree and fix the sinkhole.
- Lee will talk to PB Gravel about getting big stones for the ditch in the back.
- Toolboxes: still on track for June delivery.
- State Forestry is plumbing the 5500 truck and adding the front spray bars and grill guard. When it is done, then will take in the 6500 for the same items. Then they will go to Greeley for radios and lights. Lee is hoping the 5500 will be done by the end of June.
- Lash Branigan is working on ordering fire equipment while he is in Texas fighting fires.
- We did get the reimbursement from the State for the second skid unit.
- Fire Wise meeting: this was held in June last year, but they are doing it on April 17 at 6 pm
- LaGrange's pancake supper is April 27 at 5:30
- Background Checks: Jeremy still needs to get his done. Jillian has not been able to contact references for the applicant received last month.
- Lockers bought by Ambulance and installed in fire building: Lee would just like to remove these and give them back to the Town instead of buying them. Lee will talk to Zane regarding this.

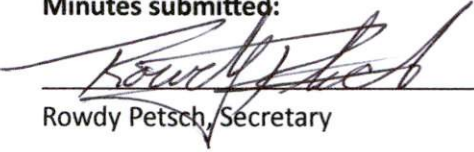
**Executive Session:**

- None

**Other:**


- Dean adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm.

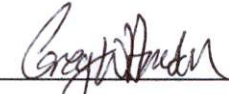
**Minutes submitted:**

  
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Rowdy Petsch, Secretary

The payment of bills reviewed, accepted, and attached to these minutes are certified under the penalty of perjury by:

**Accepted:**

  
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Dean Anderson, President  
Mike Peterson, Vice President

  
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Greg Hansen, Treasurer