

**Laramie County Fire District #3**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**July 8, 2024, at Station 1**

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

**Firefighters and Other:** Lee Peterson (Chief), Trevor Petsch, Jesse Moorehead, and Vickie Schinzel

**Regular Meeting:**

President Dean opened the meeting at 7:15 pm.

**Minutes:**

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

**Treasurer Report:**

- The June Reconciliation Report and the July Bills to Pay Report were reviewed. Rowdy moved and Jason 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve as presented. Passed.

**Old Business:**

- Grant Updates:
  - Plains Fire Grant -still have not heard anything about the status.
- Station 2 & 3: All good.
- The FY25 budget has been submitted to the State and County.
- Toolboxes: they are supposed to ship the first week of August.
- 5500 is back from BearCom and State Forestry. It just needs the toolboxes.
- 6500 is done at State Forestry and is at BearCom for lights and radios, but now waiting for the radios to come in.
- Strategic Plan: Greg made the changes and handed out copies. He would like the board to review before he posts it to the website.

**New Business:**

- FY 24 Audit-Reviewed the proposal from Haynie & Co. Jason moved and Rowdy 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept this proposal.
- EGI First Responders Health Insurance-volunteers can now join the Wyoming State Insurance pool if they need health insurance.
- Albin Day: they will be passing the boot for the fireworks, have events for the kids, and extrication exhibit and the helicopter is to be here. LaGrange #5 is planning to send some trucks and people to help. (Sidenote: Albin did go to Pine to help them with their fireworks.)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Penny Strategy: discussed what options would be the best strategy for the upcoming request.
  - 2 Tenders for 1.5 million
  - 1 Tender for 750,000
  - 1 Tender and 1 Type 3 Wildland Urban Interface Engine for 1.75 million

**Chief's Report:**

- Lee reported that they did respond to the Bushnell fire.
- Election: reviewed the process, election judges, and possibly having hours at the station so people can drop off ballots.
- Grass 3-1 and the Tender have been listed on the "call-out" board.
- Chris Hilker went to Alaska to fight a fire.

- Lash Branigan may go to California this week with another district. This may help him get his Engine Boss certification. If he goes, the Tender will be taken off the "call-out" board.
- Lee met with Rosenberg regarding the new tender and will have a bid next month and a contract to review. The board was concerned about this board encumbering a future board if we move forward with this contract. Vickie will contact the State Auditor's office regarding this issue. The current timeline is 450 days to build once the contract is signed and the final specification list is completed.
- WyoLink (Motorola) has a radio deal which gets us a 57% discount. Radios are at least 8 months out so Lee would like to order before the new pricing goes into effect in September.

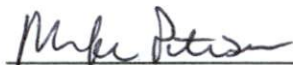
**Executive Session:**

- None

**Other:**

- Mike adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

**Minutes submitted:**



Rowdy Petsch, Secretary

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

**Accepted:**



Dean Anderson, President



Greg Hansen, Treasurer