

## Albany County Fire District #1 Board Meeting Minutes February 17, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm by Chairman Sigel.

Board members present were Art Sigel, George French, and Joe Witt

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Treasurer Witt moved to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Secretary French and approved unanimously.

The financial report was discussed. Chairman Sigel moved to approved the financial report. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Witt and approved unanimously.

LFD has a book of GPS coordinates for all of the cisterns they know about. Chief Johnson looks to the District as the authority having jurisdiction over whether or not cisterns should be required for the Mountain States Subdivision. The subdivision needs to get a written agreement with the City of Laramie to use the fire hydrant that is near their property line. If they secure this agreement the Board will consider this a suitable replacement for the cisterns, otherwise the cisterns are necessary per County Planning Requirements.

ACFD#1 would like all tankers in the District paged to any fire in the district with the initial page. Chief Johnson has a clear idea of what we would like but would like someone from the District to be there when changing in the system. Our Agreement with the City has a date of April 15<sup>th</sup>. Chief Johnson will be reviewing and have it ready to discuss at the next meeting.

There are many dead spots with WyoLink. More towers would help, but budget constraints currently impede that progress. We need to get information to Aimee so she can include on a list for improvements to infrastructure. You can also get a communication response from Laramie or from the State if you are in an extended situation with bad communication.

Strategic Plan – Plan is moving along and our next step is the mailing asking for public input in an online survey. We will also send the link to the survey electronically for those departments with emailing lists. The public is also invited to attend the April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting at 4:00 pm.

Tires – Both Laramie Tire Factory and Fat Boys have a 24-hour mobile service if needed. Goodyear has statewide contract for government agencies (approx. 50% off), through Laramie Tire Factory (Bethany) or Gary Hobbs at Wyoming State Forestry. Bridgestone and Firestone have similar contracts with similar pricing. The Service Department at Laramie GM has also been able to beat the contract price on occasion). The priority list, which is a draft and can be reworked depending on actual needs was handed off to the maintenance committee. Chairman Sigel moved to approve \$30,000 for tire replacement on the prioritized list, starting with the highest priorities, with the project to be managed by Jon Essley of the Maintenance Committee. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Witt and approved unanimously. Project code – PA10050

Radios – We have six radios on order for the district. Chad will work with Cy to get a comprehensive list of radios in the District.

CVVFD – Base radio at Albany Station needs to be replaced at an approximate cost of \$1000. Chad will have numbers for pre-approval at the next meeting.

BLFVD – Need to repair one of their type 6 engines. Also looking at a potential command/transport vehicle for their Station 4 people. They would purchase with funds from fundraising. They will get the numbers to the Board for pre-approval.

LLVFD – Have building maintenance on a garage door and they need to construct a wind break on the main building, an \$2831 estimate for both. Chairman Sigel moved to approve up to \$3000 for building repairs. Motion was seconded by Secretary French and approved unanimously. Project code – PA10051

TSVFD – Their road has been open for most of the year but they do have drift in front of door. What does snow removal cost for other stations? Around \$69.00/hour.

VVFD – They would like to install some headlights and a foam system through Wyoming State Forestry on VV2. Both are under \$500/each for a total cost of around \$1000. Treasurer Witt moved to approve up to \$1000 for maintenance and vehicle modifications to VV2. Motion was seconded by Secretary French and approved unanimously. Project code – PA10052

Training – The fire school is this weekend. There are 70 firefighters registered. Two training requests from Centennial for Buffalo Fire School in April. Chairman Sigel moved to approve up to \$2200 for training in Buffalo for CVVFD. Motion was seconded by Treasurer Witt and approved unanimously. Eric is also planning a Saw Class.

The next board meeting will be moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will send out reminders and put a public notice in the paper.

Expenditures approved by the board totaling up to \$36,200.00 to include \$30,000 for tire replacement of highest priority in the district, up to \$3000 for LLVFD building repairs, up to \$1000 for maintenance and repairs for VVFD's VV2, and up to \$2200 for training in Buffalo.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
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