

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE LOVELAND RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Loveland Rural Fire Protection District was held at 410 East 5th Street, Loveland, Colorado on Wednesday, April 4th, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

The following members were present: Dave Legits, Mike McKenna, Barry Gustafson, and Leroy Anderson.

Also present were:

Greg White, Secretary, Loveland Rural Fire Protection District
 Chief Randy Mirowski, Loveland Fire and Rescue Department
 Merlin Green, Loveland Fire and Rescue Department
 Rick Davis, Loveland Fire and Rescue Department
 Bill Lundquist, Big Thompson Canyon Volunteer Fire Department
 James Weber, Big Thompson Canyon Volunteer Fire Department

President Legits called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the March 7th, 2012 regular meeting were presented. Upon motion by Gustafson, seconded by Anderson, and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved.

White presented the March 2012 bills. Upon motion by Gustafson, seconded by Anderson, and unanimously carried, the following bills were approved.

Loveland Fire Rescue Authority (1)	\$	131,027.00
City of Loveland		
Electricity (2)	57.14	
Electricity (2)	13.66	70.80
Poudre Valley REA		
Electricity (2)		26.09
Qwest		
Miscellaneous (5)		100.00
Qwest		
Miscellaneous (5)		500.00
Larimer County Assessor		
Election Expense (13)		25.00
Gregory A. White		
Legal Fees (11 a)		900.00
Gregory A. White		
Administrative Fee (11 b)		1,000.00
Board Secretary Fee (7a)		316.67
Gregory A. White		
Election Expense (13)		2,385.00
Coren Printing		
Election Expense (13)		2,733.48
Donna Holst		
Bookkeeper Fee (7c)		468.33
Dave Legits		
Board Meeting (7b)		50.00

Barry Gustafson	
Board Meeting (7b)	50.00
Leroy Anderson	
Board Meeting (7b)	50.00
Jeff Swanty	
Board Meeting (7b)	50.00

TOTAL \$ 139,752.37

White presented the financial report. He noted that the February tax payments were large due to the fact that February, April and June are the three months in which property taxes are paid. All other line items in the Rural budget were within budgetary parameters.

Chief Mirowski presented the Chief's Report. He noted that due to the receipt of a grant, the Department will be able to purchase 108 new SCBA units. He noted that the SAFER Grant for the part time firefighters is in its third year. Also, there is a SAFER Grant pending for a recruitment and retention officer for the volunteers. The Department has also filed a grant request for radios. Currently, the Department radios are not able to be repaired if they become inoperative. This grant this would enable the Department to upgrade the radio system.

Mirowski presented the Fire Authority Board Agenda and reviewed the items with the Board. Mirowski reported that FRAC is in the process of final completion of the Strategic Plan. Following FRAC's completion of its review, the Department will put the Strategic Plan in its final form. It is anticipated that this Strategic Plan will be done by July, 2012.

Mirowski stated that there are two positions available to the Rural District for positions on FRAC. Lundquist stated that he had an interested party in the Canyon.

On behalf of the Department, Mirowski presented Director McKenna with an award for his 30 years of service to Loveland Fire and Rescue. Mirowski commented that this type of service and commitment has contributed substantially to Loveland Fire and Rescue. Director McKenna thanked the Chief and the Department for the award and for allowing him to participate in the Department activities for the last thirty years.

In the absence of Renee Wheeler, Mirowski presented the Public Safety Administrator's Report. The City is currently reviewing its Capital Expansion Fees. This is to determine whether or not the fees are appropriate in light of the current economic situation. The City is also revamping its rolling ten year capital expansion plan. Mirowski noted that the 2013 budget process has begun. The 2013 budget has funding for six new firefighters.

In the absence of Chief Sparks, Mirowski presented the Operations Report. Blue Card training continues with numerous outside Departments participating in the Blue Card training. The Department has finished the mock up of the Battalion Commander's vehicle which was provided by Thompson Valley EMS. This is as close to virtual reality for this type of training. The Positive Pressure Attack is moving to field training. The Department will also conduct a rescue school in May, 2012. A neighborhood meeting was held for the remodel of Station No. 6, and the City is in the process of selecting contractors which will be allowed to bid on the project.

Chief Green reported on the Community Service Division. The 2009 Fire Code is moving through the County. Green has communicated with County Staff with regard to various provisions of the 2009 Fire Code.

Canyon Chief Lundquist gave the Canyon Department report. The Department graduated three firefighters at the recent Academy. Lundquist thanked James Weber for his leadership in this Academy. The Canyon Department's Award Banquet will be held on April 14, 2012 and all Board members are invited to attend. Lundquist briefed the Board on the recent wildland fire of 14 acres in the Storm Mountain area. Thirty-three people and six brush trucks responded to this incident. This incident occurred mostly on Forest Service property.

White presented an update on the mill levy election. The TABOR notices will be mailed on Friday, April 6, 2012, and mail ballots will be mailed on April 16, 2012.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Gregory A. White, Secretary/
Assistant Treasurer

ATTEST:

_____ President