FIREFIGHTERS OF NATRONA COUNTY
BOARD MEETING
AGENDA

June 5, 2012 10:00 A.M.
R&B Meeting Room

BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman OPEN Kevin Finn, NCFD 3 Year Term 12/31/14
Chuck Anderson, Vice Chairman (Bar Nunn Fire Department) 3 Year Term 12/31/14
Rob Hendry, Secretary/Treasurer (BOCC) Term of office *
Mark Benton, Natrona County Sheriff Term of office *
Michael Haigler, Natrona County R&B Sup./Fire Warden As long as employed

Constitution Article V, Section 1: A general county meeting will be held annually at the County Seat at the discretion of the Executive Board. The Board shall meet on call of the Fire Warden, the Chairman or by request of a majority of the Board. Three (3) members of the board constitute a quorum.

Function of Board: Is to provide volunteer fire suppression by the citizens of Natrona County, enter into Cooperative agreements between the U.S. Government, State of Wyoming, Natrona County and citizens of Natrona County, for fire suppression.

** Notes an Attachment

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE March 23, 2010 MEETING

3. Financial Statement: Approval of Bills

4. Purchase of CM2 Trucks: All three trucks from the Wyoming State Forestry Division have been received please recall they are 2-1/2 Ton 6x6 Cab & Chassis complete with a 750 gallon water tank with a 30 gallon integral foam tank, Waterous PB 2515 pump (2-1/2’ inlet X 1-1/2”
outlet) a Spika MFG foam injection system, a Hannay Hose Reel, Newton 10” side dump chute with electric open/close, side mounted tool boxes, Top rail rack, 6” high surrounding the top of the tank, suction and discharges plumbed, 1-2-1/2” suction, 2-1-1/2” discharges, 1-1” discharge to hose reel, 1-1-1/2” discharge to front. (spray bars)

The package as described was $11,500 for Cab & Chassis and $23,500 for 750 Gallon water/foam fire package. Total package was estimated to cost around $35,000.00.

The remainder of the CM2 trucks have been taken out to their respective sites for the fire season. The total expenditure on two of the new trucks is $71,440.61 and we expect to spend an additional $35,000 on the third truck.

5. **Mountain Fire District Update:** The Road and Bridge Department has agreed to house up to three (3) Mountain Fire District trucks for the fire season. These trucks had historically been housed at the old Fire District station #7 but due to the fact they have moved out on Robertson Road, Chief Huber felt that having the trucks closer to Casper would allow for a faster response time to the face of the mountain or to the east and west end or back side of Casper mountain. These trucks will have the keys in them at all times so that if they need to be moved by the Road and Bridge Department they can be.

6. **Natrona County Wildfire Mitigation Project:** Sam Weaver, Coordinator for the Wildfire Mitigation Project is requesting a $20,000 grant that would be used to fund the continuation of the Wildfire Mitigation Project. This project has served to help landowners in the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) with establishing defensible space zones around their homes and cabins. It also has a public information program to educate county residents about the challenges of the WUI, and it created shaded fuel breaks in key areas on Casper Mountain to help contain future wildfires that might occur.

The Project had been federally funded through the National Fire Plan administered through Wyoming State Forestry Division (WSFD) but in January of 2012, State Forestry informed the project that they wished to have Natrona County act as the grant receiving entity for theses grants. Part of the granting process is for an operating fund to be established to cover the cost to administer the grant expenses. As the monies are expended, the grant coordinator requests reimbursements from NFP grant fund held by WSFD and this would replenish the operating fund. These funds need to be large enough to cover project expenses for a month or up to a quarter of a year.

The Natrona County Fire District (NCFD) board looked at being a sub-recipient for the project and they recognized the value of the project but, they did not have the ability to fund the project. The Natrona County Commissioners also looked at the project and recommended that the project be funded through the Firefighters of Natrona County. If the Board elects to fund the monies from the Firefighters of Natrona County fund, it might be in the form of a grant.
7. **Mini Mobilization Plan:** The Wyoming State Forestry and the respective County Fire Wardens and Fire Chiefs met in Douglas, Wyoming on March, 2012 to discuss the changes to the plan. The revised plan will be forthcoming.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

9. **BOARD COMMENTS**

10. **NEXT MEETING DATE**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**