

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING

DATE: AUGUST 19, 2025

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Sourdough Fire Station, 4541 S. 3rd Rd., Bozeman, MT

CALL TO ORDER OF HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

Reminder to the public that meetings are being recorded.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA

HYALITE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Financial Reports
2. Approval of Warrants
3. Approval of July 15, 2025 Meeting Synopsis

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Promotion of Lieutenants-French and Kuntz
2. Discussion and Decision – Final Budget Approval for Fiscal Year 2026 and Resolution
3. Discussion and Decision – Signing Interlocal Agreement with Fort Ellis Fire Service Area
4. Discussion and Decision – Board Appointment to the Gallatin County EMS District
5. Discussion – Replacement of Rae Fire Station – *Standing Agenda Item*
6. Volunteer Firefighters Association Report – *Standing Agenda Item*
7. Fire Chief's Report
8. Trustees' Activities
9. Announcements

ADJOURNMENT

This notice is posted on the door of the Administrative Building of the Sourdough Fire Station, the Rae Fire Station, and the Cottonwood Fire Station, and is posted on the Hyalite website and/or Facebook Page at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Notice of the meeting is published in the Bozeman Daily Chronicle at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

August 19, 2025



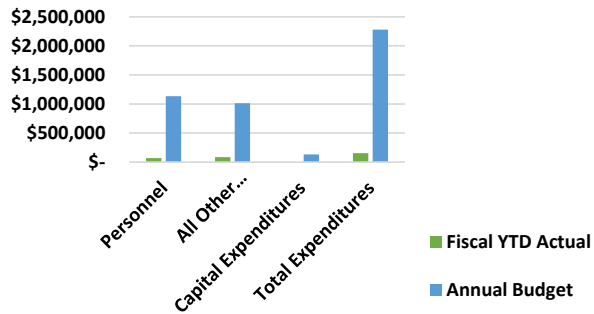
Dashboard for July 2025

At a glance...

	Current month*	Prior year		Calendar YTD
General Fund Cash Balance*	\$ 2,066,647	\$ 1,401,414	Number of Calls	372
Taxes Receivable*	\$ 69,220	\$ 27,660	Number of Volunteers	35
Accounts Payable	\$ (4,680)	\$ 6,492	Number of Training Sessions	128
			Number of Training Hours	3,256

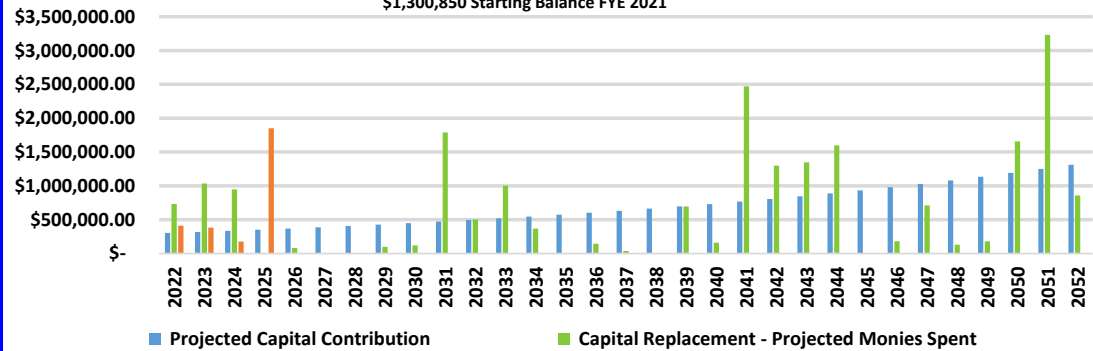
NOTE: The inconsistent nature of our cash flows dictates that we maintain a minimum cash balance of \$400,000.

Budgetary Comparisons - for year to date

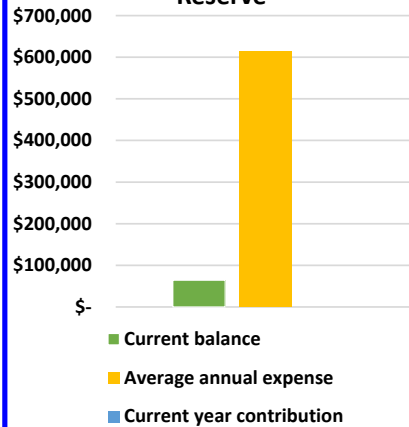


Capital Replacement Schedule

\$1,300,850 Starting Balance FYE 2021



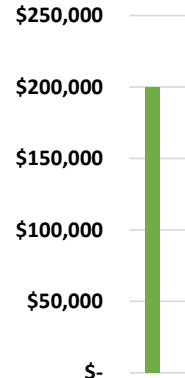
Apparatus and Equipment Reserve



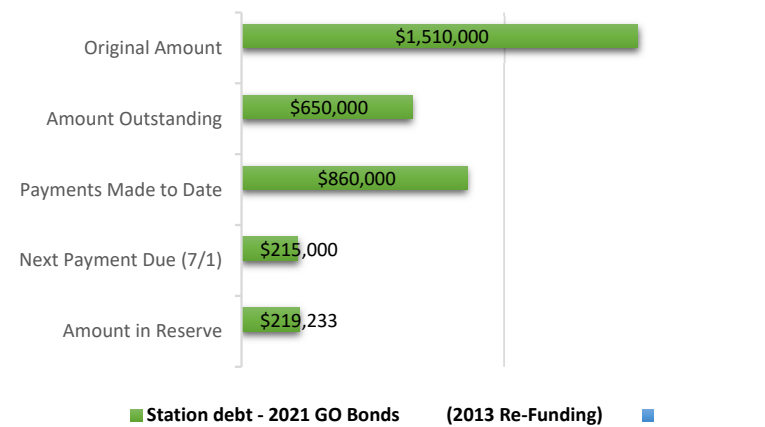
Capital Improvement Reserve



Operational Contingency Fund



Station Debt



Hyalite Rural Fire District

Statement of Financial Position

As of July 31, 2025

	TOTAL	
	AS OF JUL 31, 2025	AS OF JUL 31, 2024 (PY)
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts	\$2,901,041	\$3,986,388
Accounts Receivable	\$0	\$0
Other Current Assets	\$281,614	\$234,193
Total Current Assets	\$3,182,655	\$4,220,581
Fixed Assets		
180000 Capital Assets	3,304,788	3,828,280
Total Fixed Assets	\$3,304,788	\$3,828,280
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,487,444	\$8,048,861
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$ (4,680)	\$6,492
Credit Cards	\$25	\$4,895
Other Current Liabilities	\$64,463	\$65,618
Total Current Liabilities	\$59,808	\$77,004
Long-Term Liabilities	\$1,302,161	\$1,242,166
Total Liabilities	\$1,361,969	\$1,319,170
Equity		
241000 Unrestricted Fund Balance	2,064,163	1,265,785
241001 General fixed asset acct group	3,667,274	4,190,766
241002 General LT debt account group	(1,309,796)	(1,249,802)
241003 Nonspendable Fund Balance	24,369	24,369
241100 Reserved Fund Balance	832,622	2,584,974
241200 Assigned to vol firefighters	(2,998)	9,168
Net Revenue	(150,158)	(95,569)
Total Equity	\$5,125,475	\$6,729,691
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$6,487,444	\$8,048,861

Note

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Budget vs. Actuals: FY 2025-2026 - FY26 P&L

July 2025

	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Revenue			
310000 Taxes		2,365,436	
315000 On-behalf payment from State		127,000	
316000 Entitlement Share		45,187	
350000 Ambulance Transportation		40,000	
360000 Miscellaneous Revenues	2,427	5,000	49.00 %
365000 Contributions and Donations		1,000	
370000 Investment Earnings		80,000	
Total Revenue	\$2,427	\$2,663,623	0.00 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$2,427	\$2,663,623	0.00 %
Expenditures			
420000 Public Safety Expenses	4,073	61,000	7.00 %
420100 Personnel Services	68,136	1,134,276	6.00 %
420200 Supplies	4,069	32,000	13.00 %
420220 Meals/Incentives	4,482	106,000	4.00 %
420240 Fuel	3,126	50,000	6.00 %
420310 Election Costs		7,000	
420320 Professional Subscription/Dues	13,571	21,000	65.00 %
420330 Community Outreach/Education	573	15,000	4.00 %
420340 Utility Services	3,782	70,000	5.00 %
420350 Professional Services	500	66,000	1.00 %
420390 Firefighter Physicals	704	27,500	3.00 %
420400 Training/Travel - Trustees		2,000	
420420 Facilities	4,575	25,000	18.00 %
420500 Insurance	6,485	90,000	7.00 %
420930 Safety Equipment	23,306	100,000	23.00 %
420940 Apparatus	15,202	120,000	13.00 %
420970 Capital outlay		132,000	
490100 Debt Service		219,233	
669100 Other Charges		500	
Total Expenditures	\$152,585	\$2,278,509	7.00 %
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ (150,158)	\$385,114	(39.00 %)
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Transaction List by Vendor

July 2025

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	POSTING	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Adobe						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	Adobe Inc	210570 Costco Citi Card - Nickolay 7029	19.99
Alex Phillips						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	66.22
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805975	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-66.22
Alexi Ness						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	184.28
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805985	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-184.28
Allegra						
07/10/2025	Bill	299023	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385999 - INV299023	202100 Accounts Payable	388.36
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805973	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-388.36
Amazon						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	B2B Prime*NA2P50YY1	210595 Costco Citi Card - Wyman 9122	179.00
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	Amazon.com*NQ9HG6U52	210595 Costco Citi Card - Wyman 9122	113.94
07/09/2025	Expenditure		Yes	AMAZON MARK* AMAZON.COM/MAWA	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	33.55
Amazon Capital Services						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805946	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-639.13
07/01/2025	Bill	1KRT-XP11-KRT9	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385930 - INV1KRT-XP11-KRT9	202100 Accounts Payable	16.72
07/02/2025	Bill	19FW-QCP7-9WR7	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385952 - INV19FW-QCP7-9WR7	202100 Accounts Payable	22.98
07/02/2025	Bill	17N1-MQYW-CPC6	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385985 - INV17N1-MQYW-CPC6	202100 Accounts Payable	74.49
07/03/2025	Bill	17RW-CK6F-HN9Y	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385976 - INV17RW-CK6F-HN9Y	202100 Accounts Payable	22.75
07/03/2025	Bill	11HK-MYHV-HTYC	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385979 - INV11HK-MYHV-HTYC	202100 Accounts Payable	56.04
07/08/2025	Bill	19VJ-NCF7-1XWL	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386000 - INV19VJ-NCF7-1XWL	202100 Accounts Payable	108.85
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805969	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-301.83
07/15/2025	Bill	1GJ4-D7XH-XHPX	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747638 - INV1GJ4-D7XH-XHPX	202100 Accounts Payable	141.46
07/15/2025	Bill	1TVW-JDTG-D9LK	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747640 - INV1TVW-JDTG-D9LK	202100 Accounts Payable	219.89
07/21/2025	Bill	1LYC-YJTC-CFNV	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747639 - INV1LYC-YJTC-CFNV	202100 Accounts Payable	171.29
07/23/2025	Bill	1HTC-GDWM-6VNX	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747617 - INV1HTC-GDWM-6VNX	202100 Accounts Payable	92.45
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806000	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-625.09
Anna French						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	304.79
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805971	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-304.79
BALCO						
07/23/2025	Bill	84170	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747633 - INV84170	202100 Accounts Payable	123.00
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805997	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-123.00
Best Rate Diesel and Repair, Inc.						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805941	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-435.00

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Big Sky Fire Equipment						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805953	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-336.47
BlueCross BlueShield of Montana						
07/01/2025	Bill	X6A680/7.1.25	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/*****2627 - INVX6A680/7.1.25	202100 Accounts Payable	4,491.14
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805934	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-4,491.14
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805974	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-4,491.14
Bound Tree Medical						
07/01/2025	Bill	85801741	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386027 - INV85801741	202100 Accounts Payable	1,222.88
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805967	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-1,222.88
Bozeman Daily Chronicle						
07/10/2025	Expenditure		Yes	BOZEMAN DAILY CHRONICLE	210595 Costco Citi Card - Wyman 9122	405.66
Bozeman Health						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805938	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-85.00
Brandon Pelton						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	534.23
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805978	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-534.23
Breathing Air Systems						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	BREATHING AIR SYSTEMS	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	117.99
Brian Nickolay.						
07/12/2025	Bill	Flight Reimb 7.12.25	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/*****6076 - INVFlight Reimb 7.12.25	202100 Accounts Payable	422.36
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805977	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-422.36
CentralSquare Technologies LLC						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805940	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-5,753.13
CenturyLink - P.O Box 2961, Phoenix, AZ						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805945	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-58.94
07/01/2025	Bill	333183121/07-01- 2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386058 - INV333183121/07- 01-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	143.53
07/10/2025	Bill	333474739/07-10- 2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760449136 - INV333474739/07- 10-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	58.88
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805992	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-202.41
Charter Communications						
07/07/2025	Bill	172844901070725	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385972 - INV172844901070725	202100 Accounts Payable	301.22
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805986	Yes	8313200110672244	101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-301.22
Christopher Leeper						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	156.31
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805970	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-156.31
Citi Card						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805950	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-5,634.29
07/16/2025	Bill	3990/07-16-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/768258085 - INV3990/07-16-	202100 Accounts Payable	5,443.01

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2025						
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806007	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-5,443.01
Cole Fahey						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	80.73
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805982	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-80.73
Connect Telephone and Computer Group						
07/01/2025	Bill	136679	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385960 - INV136679	202100 Accounts Payable	60.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805981	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-60.00
Costco Wholesale						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WWW COSTCO COM	210590 Costco Citi Card - Dahlhauser 4822	22.99
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WWW COSTCO COM	210590 Costco Citi Card - Dahlhauser 4822	49.98
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WWW COSTCO COM	210590 Costco Citi Card - Dahlhauser 4822	69.16
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WWW COSTCO COM	210590 Costco Citi Card - Dahlhauser 4822	70.97
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WWW COSTCO COM	210590 Costco Citi Card - Dahlhauser 4822	105.94
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WWW COSTCO COM	210590 Costco Citi Card - Dahlhauser 4822	21.99
Dana Safety Supply, Inc.						
07/16/2025	Bill	971917	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747642 - INV971917	202100 Accounts Payable	14,503.43
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805999	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	- 14,503.43
Delta Dental						
07/01/2025	Bill	17272-51213/07-01- 25	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/*****1819 - INV17272-51213/07- 01-25	202100 Accounts Payable	188.70
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805955	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-188.70
DirectTV						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805942	Yes	029404001	101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-193.99
Drink LMNT, INC.						
07/10/2025	Expenditure		Yes	SP DRINK LMNT INC.	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	270.00
Edward Yewer						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	127.30
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805963	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-127.30
ESO Solutions, Inc.						
07/02/2025	Bill	ESO-172597	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386007 - INVESO-172597	202100 Accounts Payable	12,425.54
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805972	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	- 12,425.54
Fisher's Technology						
07/07/2025	Bill	1523333	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385954 - INV1523333	202100 Accounts Payable	54.11
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805965	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-54.11
Forestry Suppliers, Inc.						
07/09/2025	Expenditure		Yes	FORESTRY SUPPLIERS INC	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	371.04

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07/10/2025	Check	ERIC	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	- 11,798.32
Google 07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	Google	210570 Costco Citi Card - Nickolay 7029	290.40
Harbor Freight 07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	HARBOR FREIGHT TOOLS	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	39.99
Heiman Fire Equipment 07/01/2025	Bill	0944135-IN	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385995 - INV0944135-IN	202100 Accounts Payable	8,067.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805983	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-8,067.00
Hughes Fire Equipment, Inc. 07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805939	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-1,886.14
07/11/2025	Bill	626311	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/768258054 - INV626311	202100 Accounts Payable	12,477.81
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806006	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	- 12,477.81
Jack Vincent 07/22/2025	Bill	EMT Reimb 6.5.2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747643 - INVENT Reimb 6.5.2025	202100 Accounts Payable	995.00
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806002	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-995.00
Jake Krieger 07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	147.42
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805987	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-147.42
Jake TeSelle 07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	892.24
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805961	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-892.24
Jersey Mike's 07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	JERSEY MIKES ONLINE	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	260.87
Justin Miller 07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805951	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-66.00
Kenetrek Boots 07/10/2025	Expenditure		Yes	KENETREK BOOTS MT	210590 Costco Citi Card - Dahlhauser 4822	246.65
07/10/2025	Expenditure		Yes		210590 Costco Citi Card - Dahlhauser 4822	493.30
Kenyon Noble 07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805943	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-911.58
Lowes 07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	LOWES #02608*	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	81.96
Luke Maxwell 07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	117.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805993	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-117.00

Luke McMahon

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07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	147.42
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805979	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-147.42
Mastercard						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805949	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-577.49
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805956	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-107.97
Montana Department of Justice						
07/09/2025	Expenditure		Yes	GALLATIN COUNTY MV	210595 Costco Citi Card - Wyman 9122	33.95
Montana Dept. of Revenue						
07/10/2025	Check	FIB epay	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-1,891.00
Montana Firemen's Association						
07/10/2025	Check	7805957	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-479.52
Montana Occupational Health						
07/01/2025	Bill	20240	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385983 - INV20240	202100 Accounts Payable	604.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805989	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-604.00
07/16/2025	Bill	20435	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747620 - INV20435	202100 Accounts Payable	100.00
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806003	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-100.00
Montana State Fire Chiefs Association						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805947	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-500.00
Montana State Fund						
07/01/2025	Bill	20402260	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385955 - INV20402260 03-134600-0	202100 Accounts Payable	4,187.02
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805991	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-4,187.02
Montana State University						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805937	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-265.00
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	MSU-BZ-CATAPALOOZA-CM	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	50.00
07/15/2025	Bill	161-152	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747637 - INV161-152	202100 Accounts Payable	950.00
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806001	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-950.00
Mr. Burritos						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	SQ *MR. BURRITOS	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	154.61
Murdochs						
07/11/2025	Expenditure		Yes	Murdochs Four Corners	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	47.98
NAPA Auto Parts						
07/01/2025	Bill	12342/06-30-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386063 - INV12342/06-30-2025 12342	202100 Accounts Payable	573.37
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805996	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-573.37
Noah Welch						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	72.54
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805994	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-72.54
Northwestern Energy						
07/11/2025	Bill	0180089-5/07-11-	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386023 - INV0180089-5/07-	202100 Accounts Payable	76.11

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		2025		11-2025		
07/11/2025	Bill	3252724-4/07-11-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385998 - INV3252724-4/07-11-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	134.20
07/11/2025	Bill	1196979-7/07-11-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386005 - INV1196979-7/07-11-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	733.78
07/11/2025	Bill	0180737-9/07-11-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385997 - INV0180737-9/07-11-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	227.39
07/14/2025	Bill	3091809-8/07-14-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385989 - INV3091809-8/07-14-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	500.64
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805964	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-1,672.12
Owen Witmer						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	94.77
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805980	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-94.77
Owenhouse-Ace Hardware						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805944	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-592.38
07/27/2025	Bill	191619/07-27-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/768258056 - INV191619/07-27-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	665.56
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806004	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-665.56
Pelican Cases						
07/10/2025	Expenditure		Yes	PELICAN PRODUCTS	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	373.92
People Facts						
07/01/2025	Bill	2025060576	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/752830814 - INV2025060576	202100 Accounts Payable	16.67
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805954	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-16.67
PERS						
07/10/2025	Check	ERIC	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-360.19
Pinion						
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805968	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-2,750.00
Pintler Billing Services						
07/01/2025	Expenditure	2210	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385935 - INV2210	101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-500.00
Qdoba Mexican Eats						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	QDOBA 2817 OLO	210575 Costco Citi Card - Templeton 8353	104.50
07/13/2025	Expenditure		Yes	QDOBA 2817 OLO	210575 Costco Citi Card - Templeton 8353	141.35
RAE Water						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805952	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-140.49
07/25/2025	Bill	GH5370-00/07.2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/768258036 - INVGH5370-00/07.2025	202100 Accounts Payable	47.04
07/25/2025	Bill	FIRE-00/07.2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/768258039 - INVFIRE-00/07.2025	202100 Accounts Payable	114.45
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806008	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-161.49
Republic Services						
07/01/2025	Bill	0886-002081408	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385961 - INV0886-002081408	202100 Accounts Payable	238.18
07/01/2025	Bill	0886-002077156	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385964 - INV0886-002077156	202100 Accounts Payable	181.95
07/15/2025	Bill Payment	7805959	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General	-420.13

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	(Check)				Fund	
Ressler						
07/14/2025	Bill	2207405	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386018 - INV2207405	202100 Accounts Payable	2,019.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805988	Yes	56595	101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-2,019.00
Rocky Mountain Supply, Inc.						
07/01/2025	Bill	410045/06-30-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385966 - INV410045/06-30-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	2,091.94
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805960	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-2,091.94
Rosas Pizza						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	ROSAS PIZZA	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	346.50
Safeway						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	SAFEWAY 5802	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	8.97
Scenic City Enterprises, Inc.						
07/11/2025	Bill	43795	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385941 - INV43795	202100 Accounts Payable	1,071.25
07/11/2025	Bill	43796	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385982 - INV43796	202100 Accounts Payable	1,015.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805984	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-2,086.25
Sidewinders						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	TST*SIDEWINDERS	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	211.50
Spectrum						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805936	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-74.99
Staples						
07/07/2025	Expenditure		Yes	STAPLES 00104695	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	124.23
Steve Nash						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	47.15
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805962	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-1,047.15
07/16/2025	Bill	EMT Reimbursement	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386068 - INVEMT Reimbursement	202100 Accounts Payable	1,000.00
Supplycache.com						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	SP SUPPLYCACHE.COM	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	98.14
07/11/2025	Expenditure		Yes	SP SUPPLYCACHE.COM	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	20.05
Sweet Pea Festival						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	SQ *SWEET PEA, A	210595 Costco Citi Card - Wyman 9122	25.00
The Home Depot						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	THE HOME DEPOT #3104	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	128.36
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	THE HOME DEPOT #3104	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	165.88
07/03/2025	Expenditure		Yes	THE HOME DEPOT	210585 Costco Citi Card - Malone 5334	29.98
Town & Country Foods - Field St						
07/01/2025	Bill	5863770/07-01-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386035 - INV5863770/07-01-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	110.65
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805966	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-110.65
Town and Country Foods - 11th Ave.						
07/01/2025	Bill	5863770/07-01-2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760386102 - INV5863770/07-01-2025	202100 Accounts Payable	812.95
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805995	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-812.95

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Town Pump						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WT-6	210100 Conoco	44.96
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6	210100 Conoco	61.01
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6-1	210100 Conoco	17.49
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-3	210100 Conoco	72.47
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	AMB6-1	210100 Conoco	16.63
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-5	210100 Conoco	24.33
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-6	210100 Conoco	56.14
07/02/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6-2	210100 Conoco	37.19
07/02/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-5	210100 Conoco	23.60
07/03/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6-3	210100 Conoco	9.55
07/03/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-1	210100 Conoco	83.21
07/03/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-5	210100 Conoco	22.91
07/05/2025	Expenditure		Yes	AMB6-1	210100 Conoco	16.90
07/06/2025	Expenditure		Yes	AMB6-1	210100 Conoco	14.78
07/08/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-5	210100 Conoco	18.38
07/10/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6-1	210100 Conoco	8.25
07/11/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-3	210100 Conoco	33.14
07/12/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WT-6	210100 Conoco	91.58
07/14/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6-2	210100 Conoco	25.09
07/15/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WT-6-2	210100 Conoco	36.40
07/15/2025	Expenditure		Yes	B-6	210100 Conoco	4.04
07/16/2025	Expenditure		Yes	WT-6	210100 Conoco	27.04
07/16/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6-2	210100 Conoco	12.59
07/16/2025	Expenditure		Yes	B-6-1	210100 Conoco	19.23
07/16/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-6	210100 Conoco	71.82
07/18/2025	Expenditure		Yes	C-6-5	210100 Conoco	19.86
07/20/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6-2	210100 Conoco	44.24
07/20/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6-3	210100 Conoco	42.93
07/20/2025	Expenditure		Yes	AMB6-1	210100 Conoco	19.68
07/22/2025	Expenditure		Yes	E-6	210100 Conoco	58.30
TW Enterprises, Inc.						
07/08/2025	Bill	Cust 1008367/07-08-25	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/*****6006 - INVCust 1008367/07-08-25	202100 Accounts Payable	1,299.60
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805990	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-1,299.60
Tyler Holmes						
07/15/2025	Bill	April - June FY2025	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/626104984 - INVJuly - September 2024	202100 Accounts Payable	588.27
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805976	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-588.27
Uline						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	ULINE *SHIP SUPPLIES	210580 Costco Citi Card - Prato 6073	87.52
Unemployment Insurance Division						
07/11/2025	Check	7805958	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-229.15
United States Treasury						
07/10/2025	Check	FIB epay	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-6,603.34
USPS						
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	USPS.COM CLICKNSHIP	210595 Costco Citi Card - Wyman 9122	8.40
07/01/2025	Expenditure		Yes	USPS.COM CLICKNSHIP	210595 Costco Citi Card - Wyman 9122	8.40
07/09/2025	Expenditure		Yes	USPS.COM CLICKNSHIP	210595 Costco Citi Card - Wyman 9122	8.40
Verizon						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805948	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-836.51
07/23/2025	Bill	6119325447	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/768258080 - INV6119325447	202100 Accounts Payable	674.61
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806005	Yes		101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-674.61

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Wex Bank						
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805935	Yes	0203-00-109722-9	101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-943.29
07/09/2025	Bill	106187005	Yes	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/766747688 - INV106187005	202100 Accounts Payable	1,033.74
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805998	Yes	0203-00-109722-9	101000 Cash/Investments:General Fund	-1,033.74

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100000	Cash/Investments					
101000	General Fund					
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805934	BlueCross BlueShield of Montana			-4,491.14
						-4,491.14
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805935	Wex Bank	0203-00-109722-9		-943.29
						-943.29
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805936	Spectrum			-74.99
						-74.99
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805937	Montana State University			-265.00
						-265.00
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805938	Bozeman Health			-85.00
						-85.00
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805939	Hughes Fire Equipment, Inc.			-1,886.14
						-1,886.14
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805940	CentralSquare Technologies LLC			-5,753.13
						-5,753.13
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805941	Best Rate Diesel and Repair, Inc.			-435.00
						-435.00
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805942	DirectTV	029404001		-193.99
						-193.99
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805943	Kenyon Noble			-911.58
						-911.58
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805944	Owenhouse-Ace Hardware			-592.38
						-592.38
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805945	CenturyLink - P.O Box 2961, Phoenix, AZ			-58.94
						-58.94
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805946	Amazon Capital Services			-639.13
						-639.13
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805947	Montana State Fire Chiefs Association			-500.00
						-500.00
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805948	Verizon			-836.51
						-836.51
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805949	Mastercard			-577.49
						-577.49
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805950	Citi Card			-5,634.29
						-5,634.29
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805951	Justin Miller			-66.00
						-66.00
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805952	RAE Water			-140.49
						-140.49
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805953	Big Sky Fire Equipment			-336.47
						-336.47
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805954	People Facts			-16.67

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						-16.67
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805955	Delta Dental			-188.70
						-188.70
07/01/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805956	Mastercard			-107.97
						-107.97
07/01/2025	Expenditure	2210	Pintler Billing Services	Hubdoc - https://app.hubdoc.com/document/760385935 - INV2210		-500.00
				Medical billing for June 2025		500.00
07/10/2025	Check	ERIC	PERS			-360.19
						-167.68
						-192.51
07/10/2025	Check	ERIC	FURS			-11,798.32
						-5,037.60
						-6,760.72
07/10/2025	Check	FIB epay	Montana Dept. of Revenue			-1,891.00
						-1,891.00
07/10/2025	Check	7805957	Montana Firemen's Association	Montana Firemen's Association		-479.52
						-479.52
07/10/2025	Check	FIB epay	United States Treasury			-6,603.34
						-5,187.00
						-708.17
						-708.17
07/11/2025	Check	7805958	Unemployment Insurance Division	UI Account #206 2145		-229.15
						229.15
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805959	Republic Services			-420.13
						-420.13
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805960	Rocky Mountain Supply, Inc.			-2,091.94
						-2,091.94
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805961	Jake TeSelle			-892.24
						-892.24
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805962	Steve Nash			-1,047.15
						-1,047.15
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805963	Edward Yewer			-127.30
						-127.30
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805964	Northwestern Energy			-1,672.12
						-1,672.12
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805965	Fisher's Technology			-54.11
						-54.11
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805966	Town & Country Foods - Field St			-110.65
						-110.65
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805967	Bound Tree Medical			-1,222.88
						-1,222.88
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805968	Pinion			-2,750.00
						-2,750.00

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07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805969	Amazon Capital Services			-301.83
						-301.83
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805970	Christopher Leeper			-156.31
						-156.31
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805971	Anna French			-304.79
						-304.79
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805972	ESO Solutions, Inc.			-12,425.54
						-12,425.54
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805973	Allegra			-388.36
						-388.36
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805974	BlueCross BlueShield of Montana			-4,491.14
						-4,491.14
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805975	Alex Phillips			-66.22
						-66.22
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805976	Tyler Holmes			-588.27
						-588.27
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805977	Brian Nickolay.			-422.36
						-422.36
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805978	Brandon Pelton			-534.23
						-534.23
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805979	Luke McMahon			-147.42
						-147.42
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805980	Owen Witmer			-94.77
						-94.77
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805981	Connect Telephone and Computer Group			-60.00
						-60.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805982	Cole Fahey			-80.73
						-80.73
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805983	Heiman Fire Equipment			-8,067.00
						-8,067.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805984	Scenic City Enterprises, Inc.			-2,086.25
						-2,086.25
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805985	Alexi Ness			-184.28
						-184.28
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805986	Charter Communications	8313200110672244		-301.22
						-301.22
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805987	Jake Krieger			-147.42
						-147.42
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805988	Ressler	56595		-2,019.00
						-2,019.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805989	Montana Occupational Health			-604.00
						-604.00

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07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805990	TW Enterprises, Inc.			-1,299.60
						-1,299.60
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805991	Montana State Fund	03-134600-0		-4,187.02
						-4,187.02
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805992	CenturyLink - P.O Box 2961, Phoenix, AZ			-202.41
						-202.41
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805993	Luke Maxwell			-117.00
						-117.00
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805994	Noah Welch			-72.54
						-72.54
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805995	Town and Country Foods - 11th Ave.			-812.95
						-812.95
07/15/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805996	NAPA Auto Parts	12342		-573.37
						-573.37
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805997	BALCO			-123.00
						-123.00
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805998	Wex Bank	0203-00-109722-9		-1,033.74
						-1,033.74
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7805999	Dana Safety Supply, Inc.			-14,503.43
						-14,503.43
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806000	Amazon Capital Services			-625.09
						-625.09
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806001	Montana State University			-950.00
						-950.00
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806002	Jack Vincent			-995.00
						-995.00
07/28/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806003	Montana Occupational Health			-100.00
						-100.00
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806004	Owenhouse-Ace Hardware			-665.56
						-665.56
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806005	Verizon			-674.61
						-674.61
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806006	Hughes Fire Equipment, Inc.			-12,477.81
						-12,477.81
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806007	Citi Card			-5,443.01
						-5,443.01
07/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	7806008	RAE Water			-161.49
						-161.49

**HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
SYNOPSIS**

DATE: JULY 15, 2025

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Sourdough Fire Station, 4541 S. 3rd Rd., Bozeman, Montana

In compliance with [MCA 2017 2-3-212](#) and the Hyalite Rural Fire District Bylaws, the minutes of HRFD Board of Trustees open public meetings are comprised of an audio recording and a written synopsis. The audio recording is designated as the official record of a meeting. The written synopsis serves to assist the public in accessing portions of the audio recording and is a good faith attempt to provide the public with another method to be informed about the actions of the Board. The minutes are available to the public at www.hyalitefire.org/board-meeting-minutes/ or at the Hyalite Rural Fire District Administrative Offices, 4541 S. 3rd Rd., Bozeman, MT, during its standard business hours.

TRUSTEES IN ATTENDANCE:

Justin Miller
Walt Zidack
Pete Geddes
Ken Beideman

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Brian Nickolay, Fire Chief
Sheryl Wyman, Administrative Assistant
Colin Prato, Division Chief, Maintenance

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE:

Norbert Hackel, Fort Ellis Trustee
Graham Geoff, Fort Ellis Trustee
Allie Kuntz-President, Volunteer Firefighter Association

0:00:08	CALL TO ORDER OF HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT Chairman Miller called the meeting to order and asked for any public comment on non-agenda items. None given. HYALITE CONSENT AGENDA Chairman Miller asks if there are any requests to pull anything from the Consent Agenda for review. None given. Motion: Trustee Geddes moves to approve consent agenda as presented Trustee Zidack seconded the motion. Vote: Zidack-Yes; Beideman-Yes; Miller-Yes; Geddes-Yes. Unanimous approval.
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	<i>[See May 20, 2025 Board Packet for Consent Agenda items Approved]</i>
	REGULAR AGENDA
0:00:39	<p>Agenda Item 1 – Updating Ambulance Transport Fees</p> <p>The Chief goes over the history of the fee schedule. We are currently transporting patients more than what was expected. We kept our fees low to help out the taxpayers. We have also received criticism for keeping our fees low because it skews the numbers for the rest of the state ambulance services charging fees.</p> <p>The proposal shows the differences between our current fees, the proposed fees, and the State average of fees charged.</p> <p>Discussion and questions are held among the trustees and the Chief.</p> <p>Chair Miller asks for a motion.</p> <p>Motion: Trustee Geddes moves to approve the fee increase as proposed by the Chief.</p> <p>Chair Miller asks for any public comment on the motion. None given.</p> <p>Trustee Zidack seconded the motion.</p> <p>Vote: Zidack-Yes; Beideman-Yes; Miller-Yes; Geddes-Yes. Unanimous approval.</p> <p><i>[See Proposal for Updated Ambulance Transport Fees - Attachment A]</i></p>
0:13:07	<p>Agenda Item 2 – Signing Interlocal Agreement with Fort Ellis Fire Service Area</p> <p>Chief Nickolay introduces guests Graham Geoff and Norbert Hackel, trustees from the Fort Ellis Fire Service. Trustee Geddes suggests walking through Trustee Jarrett’s questions presented in his e-mail. Trustee Geddes summarizes his thoughts on the questions. Trustee Beideman asks about a standards agreement on what we will and won’t do in performing our contract obligation.</p> <p>Chief Nickolay states we need to build two agencies that operate the same. If they try to operate differently this plan won’t work. One area may be the firefighting training. Hyalite’s standard is the State FF1 training standards. Fort Ellis does not have that standard but we would like to bring them up to that standard. Fort Ellis doesn’t have a residence program where we rely heavily on our residency program. Trustee Geddes feels trustee Jarrett’s concerns are at the operational level rather than the interlocal agreement level.</p> <p>Comments are made by Trustee Zidack. Operational planning has started with Chief Nickolay and basic informational gathering is occurring. Currently there is a mutual aid agreement so if there is a fire in either district both departments are responding.</p>

	<p>Comments are made by the Trustees from the Fort Ellis. They would like to have the help in training to the higher standards. They are looking for Chief services, training officer services, and Assistant Chief. There are two budgets and boards and the two will be separate. They are just looking to have some management services which they are lacking right now.</p> <p>Trustee Beideman asks questions regarding the operational sharing of resources between Fort Ellis and us. Trustee Geddes doesn't feel that the operational problem will ever reach the board level. Trustee Beideman is concerned about the time resources will need to spend on Fort Ellis. Trustee Geoff states that they are taking a risk as well for their constituents in that Fort Ellis is spending their money responsibly in receiving the services requested. Trustee Zidack makes comments regarding the use of the resources. Time will provide information and will allow us to evaluate what limitations we have in executive resources and how we can provide services to Fort Ellis.</p> <p>Chair Miller discusses more of Trustee Jarrett's concerns. Chief Nickolay expects Fort Ellis to continue their current maintenance practice and if more help is needed, he feels Colin can help out with the Fort Ellis maintenance. Discussion is held about the risks involved with sharing resources for both entities.</p> <p>Decision is to table the agenda item until the August meeting. Trustee Jarrett, Geddes and Chief Nickolay will meet once Trustee Jarrett has the opportunity to listen to the recording of the meeting on this topic.</p> <p>Chair Miller asks for any more public comment. Comments are made by the trustees. Chief Nickolay also asks the board to keep in mind that the City of Bozeman is growing by annexing land which will make Hyalite and Fort Ellis smaller in the future.</p> <p><i>[See Interlocal Agreement-Attachment B; Email Questions from Trustee Jarrett-Attachment C; Suggestions to Interlocal Agreement from Attorney Swimley-Attachment D]</i></p>
<p>1:06:00</p>	<p>Agenda Item 3 – Purchase of Used Utility Vehicle</p> <p>Chief Nickolay goes over the used vehicle needs. He would rather not purchase a new command vehicle for the new training officer. He has been looking at used options. The vehicle is a search and rescue truck used by the Gallatin County Sheriff's Office. The vehicle has low miles (43,000) and the asking price for this vehicle is \$8,000. This would also allow a place to put contaminated material with an enclosed utility body.</p> <p>Chair Miller asks about lights and a radio on it. Chief Nickolay says it would be approximately \$5,000 to outfit the vehicle. Questions asked by Trustee Zidack. The truck has been sitting since 2021. Discussion held between the trustees.</p> <p>Chair Miller asks for a motion not to exceed \$15,000.</p>

	<p>Motion: Trustee Zidack moves to approve purchase of used utility vehicle from search and rescue not to exceed \$8,000 for the purchase of the vehicle and the remaining costs associated with getting it into operations not to exceed \$15,000 total.</p> <p>Chair Miller asks for any public comment on the motion. None given.</p> <p>Trustee Beideman seconded the motion.</p> <p>Vote: Zidack-Yes; Beideman-Yes; Miller-Yes; Geddes-Yes. Unanimous approval.</p> <p><i>[See Utility Truck for Consideration - Attachment E]</i></p>
1:12:11	<p>Agenda Item 5 – Volunteer Firefighters Association Report – <i>Standing Agenda Item</i></p> <p>Volunteer Firefighter Association President Allie Kuntz gave a presentation to the Board of Trustees. They held the Wildland BBQ which was very successful. There was good participation from all of the volunteers. They fundraised approximately \$3,200 and made approximately \$1,000 profit.</p> <p>They are now moving to working on the Pancake Breakfast for this Fall. Firefighter French is also working on a peer support program. The recruits coming out of the academy are interested as well in being involved</p>
1:14:05	<p>Agenda Item 4 – Discussion – Replacement of Rae Fire Station - <i>Standing Agenda Item</i></p> <p>Chief Nickolay is doing some research on the residency quarters that are not going to be built as part of the new station. There are some decent modular options. He will start working on pricing information.</p> <p>Trustee Geddes asks questions. The design phase has been completed. The Chief is trying to meet with HOAs to advise of the project. The current bond expires in 2028. The Chief will try to get information ready for the Pancake Breakfast.</p>
1:16:58	<p>Agenda Item 6 – Fire Chief’s Report</p> <p>Chief Nickolay discusses the Chief’s report. We had 45 calls in May. June had 73 calls. We have 41 members on the roster.</p> <p>The Command situation is and will be getting better with the return of one Captain in the Fall. The Division Chiefs have stepped up in coverage as well.</p> <p>Resident program is looking good. We are down to one resident at Cottonwood. We have individuals in the academy interested in the resident program.</p> <p>Training has been ongoing. The new Training Captain FTE position is open and closes on July 21st.</p> <p>The EMS in the county reached out to the County Attorney to create a district that could share resources. The County Attorney suggested an interlocal agreement.</p>

	<p>There would be seven parties to the agreement. This would get billing under one umbrella. This would save money with billing, supplies, and training. Each party would have a seat on an administrative board and an operational board. We would need a trustee representative to sit on that board. The operational board would be the current Hyalite Fire Chief. The current challenge is educating the public on the ambulance needs and situation in the valley.</p> <p>Engine 6-4 is now in service. Engine 6-3 received minor damage during a call. Command 6-3 is waiting on a transmission.</p> <p><i>[See Fire Chief's Report-Attachment F; Gallatin County EMS Representation Email-Attachment G]</i></p>
1:26:19	<p>Trustees' Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trustees Miller and Jarrett met with the City Manager Chuck Winn. The meeting was informational to see what the plans are for the City of Bozeman to build a new fire station near our district. The land has been purchased next to the Billion detail facility. <p>Discussion is held between the Trustees and Chief.</p>
1:33:03	<p>Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trustee Beideman asks about the interlocal agreement and how that would affect the administrative assistant position. Hyalite would need to find an administrative assistant once Sheryl leaves. This position would be under the direction of the Executive staff. Trustee Zidack explains that a portion of our accounting is out sourced. Next Board Meeting – Tuesday, August 19, 2025. A committee meeting will be held with Trustee Jarrett and Geddes and Chief Nickolay to further discuss the Fort Ellis Interlocal Agreement. This meeting will be scheduled once Trustee Jarrett has a chance to review the board meeting minutes.
1:46:13	Adjournment



Date: May 27, 2025

Subject: Proposed Revisions to Ambulance Transport Fee Schedule to Ensure Service Sustainability and Capital Investment

1. Introduction

This memorandum outlines proposed revisions to the Hyalite Fire District's Ambulance Transport Fee Schedule. These proposed changes are critical to addressing escalating operational costs, meeting essential capital replacement goals, and enhancing our Advanced Life Support (ALS) capabilities to better serve our community.

2. Current Fee Schedule

For reference, our current ambulance transport fee schedule is as follows:

- **Ambulance Mileage (Per loaded mile):** \$5.00
- **Transport BLS in-district:** \$450.00
- **Transport BLS out-of-district:** \$450.00
- **Transport ALS in-district:** \$450.00
- **Transport ALS out-of-district:** \$450.00
- *Note: We currently do not charge for routine ALS supplies or IV supplies.*

3. Justification for Proposed Changes

The current fee schedule no longer adequately covers the comprehensive costs associated with providing high-quality ambulance transport services. Several critical factors necessitate these adjustments:

- **Significant Increase in Operational Costs:** Since our current fee schedule was established, we have experienced a substantial increase in supply, equipment, and apparatus pricing, ranging from 33% to 50%. This directly impacts the cost of every transport.
- **Failure to Meet Capital Replacement Goals:** While the District is currently operating with revenues exceeding expenditures, we are not accumulating sufficient funds to meet our critical capital replacement goals. Our current ambulance, power-load cot, and heart monitor were purchased in November 2021 with a target replacement year of 2031.

Without increased revenue, we risk being unable to replace this vital equipment in a timely manner, compromising patient care and responder safety.

- **Increased Demand for ALS Care:** In the current fiscal year, we have observed a significant 25% increase in the provision of Advanced Life Support (ALS) care. This growing demand requires more advanced medical supplies.
- **Enhancement of Patient Care with New Medications:** With the proposed fee increase, we will be able to incorporate new medications into our protocols, specifically for pain management using both NSAIDs and Narcotics. This will significantly improve our ability to provide effective and compassionate care for patients experiencing acute pain.

4. Proposed Fee Schedule Revisions

Based on our analysis of increased operational costs, the need for capital investment, and a review of average pricing for fire-based EMS transport across the state, we propose the following revised fee schedule:

- **Ambulance Mileage (Per loaded mile):** \$18.00
- **Transport BLS in-district:** \$750.00
- **Transport BLS out-of-district:** \$1000.00
- **Transport ALS in-district:** \$1050.00
- **Transport ALS out-of-district:** \$1500.00
- **ALS Routine Supplies:** \$100.00 (New Charge)
- **IV Supplies:** \$60.00 (New Charge)

5. Comparative Analysis with State Averages

To provide context for our proposed fees and demonstrate a responsible approach to cost recovery, we have compiled the current average pricing for fire-based EMS transport across the state:

- **Ambulance Mileage (Per loaded mile):** \$23.49
- **Transport BLS in-district:** \$1100.00
- **Transport BLS out-of-district:** \$1100.00
- **Transport ALS in-district:** \$1325.00
- **Transport ALS out-of-district:** \$1325.00
- **ALS Routine Supplies:** \$148.18
- **IV Supplies:** \$79.89

Even with the proposed increases, the Hyalite Fire District's fees for several services will remain below the state average. The introduction of separate charges for ALS Routine Supplies and IV Supplies aligns with common practice in EMS billing and better reflects the actual costs associated with these critical medical components. Attachment A

6. Conclusion

The proposed changes to the ambulance transport fee schedule are absolutely essential for the long-term operational viability, continued excellence, and strategic advancement of the Hyalite Fire District's EMS services. These adjustments are a direct and necessary response to rising operational costs, the imperative to meet vital capital replacement goals, the increasing demand for advanced care, and our commitment to enhancing patient comfort through new medication options.

We are confident that these revisions will allow us to maintain our high standards of emergency medical care, ensure the availability of modern, safe equipment, and continue to serve our community effectively. We welcome discussion and feedback on these proposed revisions.

Chris Dahlhauser Assistant Chief

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

FIRE CHIEF SERVICES

FORT ELLIS FIRE SERVICE AREA AND HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

This Interlocal Agreement (Agreement) is made pursuant to Title 7, Chapter 11, Part 1, Montana Code Annotated on the 1st day of October 2025 (“Effective Date”) between FORT ELLIS FIRE SERVICE AREA, Gallatin County, Montana (“Fort Ellis”) and HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, Gallatin County, Montana (“Hyalite”) (collectively the “Parties”).

ARTICLE I PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to enumerate the specific authorities, duties and funding for the joint and cooperative undertaking where Hyalite provides the services of a Fire Chief (as defined in Sec.7-33-2001, Montana Code Annotated) for Fort Ellis.

ARTICLE II DURATION and TERMINATION

The term of this Agreement will commence on the Effective Date and shall terminate on June 30, 2029. Either party may give 90 days written notice that it will no longer participate in the joint and cooperative undertaking at which time this Agreement shall terminate. Either party may give written notice that a material provision of this Agreement has been breached. Material provisions are payment by Fort Ellis and performance as fire chief pursuant to Section 7-33-2001, MCA by Hyalite.

ARTICLE III CREATION OF LEGAL ENTITIES

This Agreement does not create any new legal entity. All of the obligations and duties of Fort Ellis and Hyalite are not affected by this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV SCOPE, ADMINISTRATION, GOVERNANCE and DUTIES

Hyalite designates its Fire Chief as the individual to act as the Fire Chief for Fort Ellis. The Hyalite designated Fire Chief shall perform the duties and has the obligations set forth in Sec.7-33-2001, MCA for Fort Ellis. Fort Ellis shall accept the designated Fire chief by Resolution. Hyalite’s scope of work is to provide all services necessary for its Fire Chief to perform the duties and obligations necessary in Section 7-33-2001, MCA for Fort Ellis.

The Hyalite Fire Chief will use all appropriate resources of Hyalite to perform under this Agreement, subject to the Fort Ellis annual approved budget, including equipment, supplies and personnel such as the Hyalite training chief, maintenance chief, recruit and retention captain, and

administrative assistant. Hyalite acknowledges that the Fire Chief duties include the duty to maintain the proper training of Fort Ellis personnel including supplies and travel. As part of Fort Ellis's costs and expenses under this Agreement, Hyalite will provide Basic Life Support (BLS) ambulance service as part of its scope of work under this Agreement.

The Fire Chief is subject the direction of the Fort Ellis Sec. 7-33-2001(3), MCA for the performance of the duties and obligations for only the Fort Ellis Fire Service Area and its operations.

The Boards of Trustees of Fort Ellis and Hyalite shall each designate one individual, along with the Fire Chief, to meet no less than once every three months during the term of this Agreement for the purpose of obtaining status reports and to communicate on the issues affecting the joint and cooperative undertaking.

ARTICLE V FINANCING, PERSONNEL COSTS, COSTS AND BUDGET PROPERTY OWNERSHIP and DISPOSITION

Fort Ellis shall pay Hyalite no more than \$225,000 on an annual basis to fulfil the scope of this Agreement. Payments shall be made every month in the amount of \$18,750, with the first payment due to Hyalite on October 1, 2025. If this Agreement is terminated payment shall be made up to the effective day of termination on a pro-rata basis.

No later than the last day of February 2026 and every year thereafter, either party to this Agreement may request adjustment to the payment terms for the upcoming fiscal year beginning on July 1.

Any property purchased during this Agreement to provide service to Fort Ellis shall be made in the name of Fort Ellis and shall not be transferred to Hyalite. Each party shall be responsible for retirement contributions for its own employees only.

ARTICLE VI OTHER NECESSARY AND PROPER MATTERS

1. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Should a dispute arise as to the meaning of any provision of this Agreement or the Parties' respective rights and obligations under this Agreement that cannot be resolved, the dispute shall be submitted to mediation. A request to mediate shall be submitted in writing by the party desiring mediation and shall specify the dispute for mediation. Within ten (10) working days after receipt of a request for mediation, the party receiving the request shall submit a written response stating its position on the dispute.

If no agreement or resolution is reached within ten (10) working days after receipt of the response by the requesting party, the requesting Party shall provide a list of three (3) names of mediators to the other party, who shall strike one name from the list. The party requesting mediation shall then strike a name.

Each party shall be equally responsible for the costs of the mediation.

If the Parties are unable to resolve the dispute through mediation, then such dispute shall be resolved in a court of competent jurisdiction in compliance with the applicable law.

2. INDEMNIFICATION

Fort Ellis and Hyalite agree that this Agreement creates a joint and cooperative undertaking where Hyalite is performing its scope of work for the benefit of Fort Ellis in exchange for payment. Fort Ellis will hold harmless, defend and indemnify Hyalite its agents and employees from any claim or cause of action resulting from Hyalite's performance of the scope of work of work under this Agreement unless the acts of Hyalite its agents and employees while performing the scope of work under this Agreement are negligent, intentional or willful. Hyalite will hold harmless, defend and indemnify Fort Ellis its agents and employees from any claim or cause of action for acts of Hyalite while it is providing firefighting and emergency response to its own rural fire district.

ARTICLE VII GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. ASSIGNMENT and AUTHORITY

No party shall assign, transfer, or convey any right or obligation set forth in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party. The undersigned represent that they have authority to enter this Agreement.

2. COMPLETE AGREEMENT

This Agreement constitutes the sole and entire agreement between the Parties with regard to the subject matter hereof. No other terms or conditions shall be binding upon either party unless accepted in writing. This Agreement supersedes any previous oral or written agreements between the Parties with regard to the subject matter hereof.

3. APPLICABLE LAW, VENUE and ATTORNEYS FEES

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Montana and any action to enforce any right or obligation shall be brought in the Eighteenth District Court, Gallatin County, Montana. The prevailing party in any action to enforce this Agreement shall be entitled to attorney's fees including those of in-house counsel.

4. SURVIVAL

The obligations of Article V and Article VI, Section 2 shall survive termination of the Agreement.

5. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

The Parties shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local law in performing under this Agreement.

6. AMENDMENT

No modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be valid or effective unless evidenced by an agreement in writing signed by authorized representatives of both Parties.

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The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed independent and severable, and the invalidity, partial invalidity, or unenforceability of any one provision or portion thereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement.

9. NOTICES

Required notices, except legal notices, shall be given in writing and sent by mail or email to:

To Fort Ellis: Chairperson, 3041 Bozeman Trail Road, Bozeman, MT 59715

To Hyalite: Chairperson, 4541 South 3rd Road, Bozeman MT 59715.

10. RECORDING

Fort Ellis will be responsible for filing an executed copy of this Agreement with the Gallatin County Clerk and Recorder and the Secretary of State pursuant to 7-11-107, MCA, and will provide a copy of the recorded document to Hyalite. Cost of filing will be paid by Fort Ellis.

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This Agreement is an interlocal agreement under Section 7-11-104, M.C.A. To that end, this Agreement shall remain in effect at least through the date stated in Article II above, unless earlier terminated under the provisions hereof or by the agreement of the Parties. As an agreement

amongst recognized government entities and political subdivisions no partnership or joint venture is intended nor exists nor shall be deemed to exist between the Parties.

12. SUPERSESSION AND RATIFICATION

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This Agreement entered on the Effective Date by:

FORT ELLIS FIRE SERVICE AREA

HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

Chair

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Hyalite Admin <bookkeeper@hyalitefire.org>

Re: Interlocal Agreement with Fort Ellis

1 message

Brian Nickolay <bnickolay@hyalitefire.org>

Tue, Jul 15, 2025 at 12:06 PM

To: Walt Zidack <wzidack@hyalitefire.org>

Cc: Jason Jarrett <jjarrett@hyalitefire.org>, Hyalite Admin <admin@hyalitefire.org>, Pete Geddes <pgeddes@hyalitefire.org>, Ken Beideman <kbeideman@hyalitefire.org>, Justin Miller <JMiller@hyalitefire.org>

Hello Trustees,

Susan's comments on the Interlocal Agreement are embedded in the draft agreement. It is not possible to show this on a PDF. It has to be downloaded and viewed in Adobe. I tried my best to copy Susan's comments below. If you remember we discussed this at an earlier meeting. I have not seen anything that had comments from Chris.

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Susan Swimley

Apr 22

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Susan Swimley

Apr 22

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3. Hyalite will provide Basic Life Support (BLS) ambulance service as part of its scope of work under this Agreement. (This said in the draft ambulance service. Susan added the BLS ambulance.)

Susan Swimley

Apr 22

Basic Life Support (BSL)

4. Hyalite acknowledges that the Fire Chief duties include the duty to maintain the proper training of Fort Ellis personnel including supplies and travel. As part of Fort Ellis's costs and expenses under this Agreement. (Susan added these cost will be part of Fort Ellis's expenses)

, at Fort Ellis' cost and expense

On Mon, Jul 14, 2025 at 10:58 PM Walt Zidack <wzidack@hyalitefire.org> wrote:

Following up on JJ's comments.... Would it be possible to see the responses from Chris and Susan? More specifically, it would be interesting to see how any of Susan's comments influenced the language of the current draft, and did her comments relate to any of JJ's points of concern?

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On Mon, Jul 14, 2025 at 4:11 PM Brian Nickolay <bnickolay@hyalitefire.org> wrote:
All,

Attached is the final draft of the Interlocal Agreement with the Fort Ellis Fire Service Area for consideration. ~~HRPD July 15, 2025 Regular Meeting Symposium Page 12~~ Both Chris Gray and Susan Swimley have reviewed it and made recommendations that are included.



Hyalite Admin <bookkeeper@hyalitefire.org>

Utility truck for consideration

Brian Nickolay <bnickolay@hyalitefire.org>

Mon, Jul 14, 2025 at 4:17 PM

To: Hyalite Admin <admin@hyalitefire.org>, Jason Jarrett <jjarrett@hyalitefire.org>, Ken Beideman <kbeideman@hyalitefire.org>, Pete Geddes <pete@americanprairie.org>, Walt Zidack <wzidack@hyalitefire.org>, Justin Miller <JMiller@hyalitefire.org>

All,

Below is the information for the utility truck for consideration tomorrow night

2003 Ford F-250 Crew Cab with utility body.
V10 gas motor with automatic transmission and 4x4.
Mileage = 42,937
Owned by Gallatin County
Asking \$8,000.00

I will provide more information tomorrow night.

Brian Nickolay

Fire Chief**Hyalite Fire District**

4541 S. 3rd Ave

Bozeman, MT 59715

(406) 586 - 3770

bnickolay@hyalitefire.orgwww.hyalitefire.org

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Hyalite Rural Fire District

Fire Chief's Report

July 2025

Prepared by: Fire Chief, Brian Nickolay

1. The Hyalite Fire District responded to a total of 45 incidents in May 2025.

- Total May 2024 - 55
- Total May 2023 - 54
- Total May 2022 - 40
- Total May 2021 - 37
- Total May 2020 - 42

2. The Hyalite Fire District responded to a total of 73 incidents in June 2025. Our year total for incidents to date is 331

- Total June 2024 - 66
- Total June 2023 - 51
- Total June 2022 - 60
- Total June 2021 - 60
- Total June 2020 - 60

3. Our current roster is at 41 members (effective 7/1/2025).

- 1 Career Fire Chief
- 1 Career Assistant Fire Chief
- 2 Division Chiefs
- 1 Career Captains
- 2 Volunteer Captains
- 1 Volunteer Reserve Captains
- 5 Volunteer Lieutenants
- 12 Volunteer Firefighters
- 13 Volunteers Apprentice Firefighters
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Hyalite Admin <bookkeeper@hyalitefire.org>

Gallatin County EMS representation

1 message

Brian Nickolay <bnickolay@hyalitefire.org>

Tue, Jul 15, 2025 at 11:17 AM

To: Hyalite Admin <admin@hyalitefire.org>, Pete Geddes <pgeddes@hyalitefire.org>, Jason Jarrett <jjarrett@hyalitefire.org>, Ken Beideman <kbeideman@hyalitefire.org>, Justin Miller <JMiller@hyalitefire.org>, Walt Zidack <wzidack@hyalitefire.org>, Chris Dahlhauser <cdahlhauser@hyalitefire.org>

Hello Trustees,

I wanted to give you all a primer for tonight to think about. No need to respond. I just received this information yesterday so I haven't had a chance to get you all anything yet. As you know, I have been sitting on a steering committee for the county to address EMS ambulance services. The committee has requested guidance from the county attorney on the establishment of a district to begin to pool the resources of the public agencies currently providing ambulance services. The county attorney came back with the recommendation of the establishment of an interlocal agreement between all the cooperating agencies. The steering committee feels it would be best to establish two boards to oversee this agreement. One being an administrative board and one being an operational board. As one of the cooperating agencies, we have been asked to bring one elected member to sit on the administrative board. This would be one of our trustees. I or the current Fire Chief of Hyalite will sit on the operational board. Other cooperators are The City of Bozeman, Central Valley Fire District, Three Forks Area, Gallatin County, Jefferson County, Broadwater County and Bozeman Health Hospital. Though Bozeman Health is private, we found out yesterday that Bozeman Health will be standing up an interfacility transport ambulance this fall and it is felt they will be in this community well into the future. The counties will be active as they will hold the agreement and we will need their support as the work goes forward. The Big Sky Fire District decided to opt out of participating. Mainly because they get so much funding through resort tax.

The main goal for the interlocal agreement right now is to find savings in supply ordering, EMS billing, and EMS training. More will come as we look at establishing ambulance coverage more county wide. We can discuss more tonight. Just wanted it on everyone's radar.

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Brian Nickolay*Fire Chief**Hyalite Fire District*

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Consent Agenda End

Regular Agenda Item 2

Final Budget Approval for FY2026 and Resolution

**Board of Trustees for the Hyalite Rural Fire District
Resolution No. 2025-02**

**Resolution of the Board of Trustees to the Gallatin County Board of
Commissioners Providing the Estimated Annual Fiscal Year 2026 Budget for
the Hyalite Rural Fire District and Authorizing the Maximum Mill Levy and
Additional Mills to Include Debt Service as Authorized by the Voters.**

This resolution was introduced and moved by _____, seconded by
_____. The Resolution was adopted by a vote of _____.

WHEREAS, pursuant to MCA 7-33-2105, the Hyalite Rural Fire District Board of Trustees have the authority to provide adequate and standard firefighting and emergency response apparatus, equipment, personnel, housing, and facilities, including real property, for the protection of the fire district; and

WHEREAS, MCA 7-33-2105 requires the Board of Trustees to prepare annual budgets and request special levies for the budgets of Fire Districts; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2025, the Hyalite Rural Fire District posted and published notice of the meeting and a copy of the agenda in which the budget for Fiscal Year 2026 was to be considered, and

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2025 a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hyalite Rural Fire District was held to consider the Estimated Fiscal Year 2026 budget, and

WHEREAS, a quorum of the Board was present; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees allowed the public to comment on the Estimated Fiscal Year 2026 budget in the form of written comment and oral testimony; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees seeks to receive the same amount of tax money in Fiscal Year 2026 as in Fiscal Year 2025, plus the money on newly taxable property, inclusive of the inflationary adjustment authorized by state law, and the Fiscal Year 2026 revenue should be over and above all cash carryovers from Fiscal Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, in determining whether to levy the full maximum mills, the Board of Trustees considered that there has been no significant decrease in calls for service during the last fiscal year, fire calls and mutual aid calls have increased and therefore an additional appreciation in the total number of calls is anticipated in Fiscal Year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees also considered the number of critical apparatus', equipment and structures owned by the District are in need of repair or replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined the maximum number of mills allowed by state law is necessary to adequately fund the ongoing public health, safety and welfare duties and activities of the District in order to meet their statutory obligations; and

WHEREAS, the Hyalite Fire District has assumed the debt from the Sourdough Fire District bond in the amount of two million, nine hundred thousand dollars (\$2,900,000) requiring the payment of principal and interest in Fiscal Year 2026.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. The Estimated Fiscal Year 2026 budget has been established and is hereby presented as described in Exhibit “A”.
2. The Board of Trustees request the Gallatin County Commission levy the maximum number of mills allowed by current state statute, based on updated certified taxable values from the State of Montana, Department of Revenue.
3. The Gallatin County Commissioners include the cost of debt service of \$219,233.00 as an additional tax as authorized by the voters.
4. A copy of this Resolution and attached exhibits shall be forwarded to the Gallatin County Finance Director.
5. If needed, the Finance Director is authorized to balance our preliminary budget calculations by either increasing or reducing our future year Capital reserve to meet expected revenue.

Dated this 19th day of August, 2025.

Justin Miller, Chairman

Eugene M. (Pete) Geddes, Vice-Chairman

Ken Beideman, Secretary

Jason Jarrett, Trustee

Walt Zidack, Treasurer

Exhibit A

Hyalite Rural Fire District

FY2026 Budget

GALLATIN COUNTY
SPECIAL DISTRICT/LIBRARY BUDGET REQUEST FORM

FISCAL YEAR
2025-2026

DISTRICT NAME: Hyalite Rural Fire District

FUND NUMBER: 7220

ANNUAL REVENUE ESTIMATES

DESCRIPTION	FY 24-25 CURRENT BUDGET	FY 24-25 ESTIMATED YEAR END	FY 25-26 REQUEST	COMMENTS
INTEREST	80,000	109,225	80,000	
FIRE INSURANCE COMP				
2% MOTOR VEHICLE TAX				
CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS	1,000	1,640	1,000	
FIRE IMPACT FEES				
CONTRACTS				
TAXES - PENALTY/INTEREST		3,075		
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	45,000	45,000	45,000	Ambulance Revenue
LOAN/BOND REVENUE				
OTHER INCOME	169,461	169,461	172,187	St Entitlement & Furs
COUNTY CONTRIBUTION				
SUBTOTAL	295,461	328,401	298,187	

PER UNIT FEE AT \$ ____/UNIT				
REAL PROPERTY TAXES	2,006,916	2,141,436	2,146,203	
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES		70,332		
MILL LEVY	220,093	220,093	219,233	
SUBTOTAL	2,227,009	2,431,861	2,365,436	
TOTAL REVENUES	2,522,470	2,760,262	2,663,623	

FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, WE REQUEST: (select only one)

- ☐ **NUMBER OF MILLS** _____
- ☐ **DOLLAR AMOUNT** _____
- ☒ **MAXIMUM MILLS**

GALLATIN COUNTY

FISCAL YEAR

SPECIAL DISTRICT/LIBRARY BUDGET REQUEST FORM

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ANNUAL EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

DESCRIPTION	FY 24-25 CURRENT BUDGET	FY 24-25 ESTIMATED YEAR END	FY 25-26 REQUEST	COMMENTS
SALARIES/WAGES	1,015,600		1,134,276	
EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS				
SUBTOTAL	1,015,600	0	1,134,276	

OFFICE/OPERATING SUPPLIES	147,000		174,500	
OIL/GAS	50,000		50,000	
UTILITIES	70,000		70,000	
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	100,000		125,000	
TRAVEL	2,000		2,000	
TRAINING	121,000		167,000	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	201,500		204,500	
CONTRACT/DONATIONS	0			
DEBT PAYMENT - PRINCIPAL	215,000		215,000	
DEBT PAYMENT - INTEREST	5,093		4,233	
SUBTOTAL	911,593	0	1,012,233	

USE OF FIRE IMPACT FEES	0			
SUBTOTAL	0	0	0	

CAPITAL OUTLAY (THIS YEAR)	1,707,998		132,000	FROM OUTLAY FORM
CAPITAL RESERVE (FUTURE)	1,080,978		2,090,978	FROM RESERVE FORM
SUBTOTAL	2,788,976	0	2222978	

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,716,169	0	4,369,487
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BOARD APPROVAL

WE HEREBY SUBMIT OUR FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET REQUEST FOR YOUR REVIEW AND APPROVAL

CHAIRMAN

PHONE

TRUSTEE

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**GALLATIN COUNTY
SPECIAL DISTRICT/LIBRARY BUDGET REQUEST
FORM CAPITAL RESERVE FORM**

FISCAL YEAR

2025-2026

DEFINITION OF CAPITAL RESERVE (OBJECT CODE 905): YOUR "SAVINGS ACCOUNT". CAPITAL RESERVE IS ESTABLISHED FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY OR EQUIPMENT COSTING IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 WITH A LIFE EXPECTANCY OF TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE. DOLLARS BUDGETED IN CODE 905 MAY NOT BE SPENT IN THIS FISCAL YEAR. RESERVES ARE FOR ITEMS TO BE PURCHASED IN FUTURE YEARS.

DISTRICT/LIBRARY NAME		Hyalite Rural Fire District		
FUND NUMBER		7220		
BOX 1 - FY 2025 CAPITAL RESERVE BUDGET		1,080,978		
BOX 2 - CAPITAL RESERVES TO BE USED IN FY 2026		132,000		
REQUESTED ITEM/ PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST	ESTIMATED PURCHASE DATE	AMOUNT RESERVED TO DATE	FY 2026 REQUESTED INCREASE
A. Capital Apparatus Fund				1,142,000
B.				
C.				
D.				
E.				
BOX 3 - TOTAL FY 2026 REQUESTED INCREASE (SUM A-E)				1,142,000
BOX 4 - TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE BUDGET FOR FY 2026 (BOX 1 - BOX 2 + BOX 3)				2,090,978

JUSTIFICATION:

<hr/> SIGNATURE	<hr/> DATE
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GALLATIN COUNTY
SPECIAL DISTRICT/LIBRARY BUDGET REQUEST
FORM CAPITAL OUTLAY FORM

FISCAL YEAR

2025-2026

DEFINITION OF CAPITAL OUTLAY: EACH ITEM MUST HAVE A VALUE OF \$5,000 OR MORE AND A LIFE EXPECTANCY OF OVER (2) YEARS. CATEGORIES INCLUDE:

910 - LAND

915 - SOFTWARE

920 - BUILDINGS

930 - IMPROVEMENTS TO LAND, I.E. SIDEWALKS, LAWN SPRINKLING SYSTEMS, ETC.

940 - EQUIPMENT/MACHINERY

950 - CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS

DISTRICT/LIBRARY NAME		Hyalite Rural Fire District	
FUND NUMBER		7220	
REQUESTED ITEM/ PROJECT DESCRIPTION	REPLACING EQUIPMENT? YES/NO	JUSTIFICATION	ESTIMATED TOTAL COST
Replace New Shingles Sourdough Bay-920	No	Rolled Over From FY2025	25,000
Training Burn Building-920	No	Rolled Over From FY2025	7,000
SCBA Compressor-Cottonwood Station-940	Yes	Current Compressor is 15 years old	100,000
TOTAL FY 2026 CAPITAL REQUESTS		132,000	

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**GALLATIN COUNTY
SPECIAL DISTRICT/LIBRARY - CONTACT
INFORMATION FORM FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026**

NAME OF ORGANIZATION	Hyalite Rural Fire District
MAILING ADDRESS	4541 S. 3rd Rd. Bozeman, MT 59715

BUDGET DOCUMENTS - BUDGET DOCUMENTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING PRIMARY CONTACT. IF BUDGET DOCUMENTS ARE UNDELIVERABLE TO THE PRIMARY CONTACT, THEY WILL BE SENT TO THE SECONDARY CONTACT PERSON.

PRIMARY CONTACT PERSON	Walt Zidack
TITLE	Treasurer, Board of Trustees
PHONE NUMBER	(406) 539-4358
E-MAIL ADDRESS	wzidack@hyalitefire.org; admin@hyalitefire.org
MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE)	

SECONDARY CONTACT PERSON	Brian Nickolay
TITLE	Fire Chief
PHONE NUMBER	(406) 586-3770
E-MAIL ADDRESS	bnickolay@hyalitefire.org
MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE)	

SIGNING AUTHORITY INFORMATION - SHOULD A CONTRACT BE AWARDED, THE FOLLOWING SIGNATORY(S) WILL BE DESIGNATED IN THE CONTRACT.

NAME OF PRIMARY SIGNATORY	Justin Miller
TITLE	Chairman, Board of Trustees
NAME OF SECONDARY SIGNATORY	Walt Zidack
TITLE	Treasurer, Board of Trustees

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM WITH YOUR BUDGET REQUEST

Gallatin County Finance Dept
311 W Main St Rm304A
Bozeman, MT 59715
finance@gallatin.mt.gov

Regular Agenda Item 3

Interlocal Agreement with Fort Ellis Fire Service Area

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

FIRE CHIEF SERVICES

FORT ELLIS FIRE SERVICE AREA AND HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

This Interlocal Agreement (Agreement) is made pursuant to Title 7, Chapter 11, Part 1, Montana Code Annotated on the 1st day of October 2025 (“Effective Date”) between FORT ELLIS FIRE SERVICE AREA, Gallatin County, Montana (“Fort Ellis”) and HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, Gallatin County, Montana (“Hyalite”) (collectively the “Parties”).

ARTICLE I PURPOSE

The purpose of this Agreement is to enumerate the specific authorities, duties and funding for the joint and cooperative undertaking where Hyalite provides the services of a Fire Chief (as defined in Sec.7-33-2001, Montana Code Annotated) for Fort Ellis.

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The term of this Agreement will commence on the Effective Date and shall terminate on June 30, 2029. Either party may give 90 days written notice that it will no longer participate in the joint and cooperative undertaking at which time this Agreement shall terminate. Either party may give written notice that a material provision of this Agreement has been breached. Material provisions are payment by Fort Ellis and performance as fire chief pursuant to Section 7-33-2001, MCA by Hyalite.

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This Agreement does not create any new legal entity. All of the obligations and duties of Fort Ellis and Hyalite are not affected by this Agreement.

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Hyalite designates its Fire Chief as the individual to act as the Fire Chief for Fort Ellis. The Hyalite designated Fire Chief shall perform the duties and has the obligations set forth in Sec.7-33-2001, MCA for Fort Ellis. Fort Ellis shall accept the designated Fire chief by Resolution. Hyalite’s scope of work is to provide all services necessary for its Fire Chief to perform the duties and obligations necessary in Section 7-33-2001, MCA for Fort Ellis.

The Hyalite Fire Chief will use all appropriate resources of Hyalite to perform under this Agreement, subject to the Fort Ellis annual approved budget, including equipment, supplies and personnel such as the Hyalite training chief, maintenance chief, recruit and retention captain, and

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The Fire Chief is subject the direction of the Fort Ellis Sec. 7-33-2001(3), MCA for the performance of the duties and obligations for only the Fort Ellis Fire Service Area and its operations.

The Boards of Trustees of Fort Ellis and Hyalite shall each designate one individual, along with the Fire Chief, to meet no less than once every three months during the term of this Agreement for the purpose of obtaining status reports and to communicate on the issues affecting the joint and cooperative undertaking.

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No later than the last day of February 2026 and every year thereafter, either party to this Agreement may request adjustment to the payment terms for the upcoming fiscal year beginning on July 1.

Any property purchased during this Agreement to provide service to Fort Ellis shall be made in the name of Fort Ellis and shall not be transferred to Hyalite. Each party shall be responsible for retirement contributions for its own employees only.

ARTICLE VI OTHER NECESSARY AND PROPER MATTERS

1. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Should a dispute arise as to the meaning of any provision of this Agreement or the Parties' respective rights and obligations under this Agreement that cannot be resolved, the dispute shall be submitted to mediation. A request to mediate shall be submitted in writing by the party desiring mediation and shall specify the dispute for mediation. Within ten (10) working days after receipt of a request for mediation, the party receiving the request shall submit a written response stating its position on the dispute.

If no agreement or resolution is reached within ten (10) working days after receipt of the response by the requesting party, the requesting Party shall provide a list of three (3) names of mediators to the other party, who shall strike one name from the list. The party requesting mediation shall then strike a name.

Each party shall be equally responsible for the costs of the mediation.

If the Parties are unable to resolve the dispute through mediation, then such dispute shall be resolved in a court of competent jurisdiction in compliance with the applicable law.

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Fort Ellis and Hyalite agree that this Agreement creates a joint and cooperative undertaking where Hyalite is performing its scope of work for the benefit of Fort Ellis in exchange for payment. Fort Ellis will hold harmless, defend and indemnify Hyalite its agents and employees from any claim or cause of action resulting from Hyalite's performance of the scope of work of work under this Agreement unless the acts of Hyalite its agents and employees while performing the scope of work under this Agreement are negligent, intentional or willful. Hyalite will hold harmless, defend and indemnify Fort Ellis its agents and employees from any claim or cause of action for acts of Hyalite while it is providing firefighting and emergency response to its own rural fire district.

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Required notices, except legal notices, shall be given in writing and sent by mail or email to:

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FORT ELLIS FIRE SERVICE AREA

HYALITE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT

Chair

Chair

Regular Agenda Item 7

Fire Chief's Report



Hyalite Rural Fire District

Fire Chief's Report

August 2025

Prepared by: Fire Chief, Brian Nickolay

1. The Hyalite Fire District responded to a total of 73 incidents in July 2025. Our year total for incidents to date is 404.

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- Total July 2021 - 60
- Total July 2020 - 59

2. Our current roster is at 41 members (effective 8/1/2025).

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