

**BEULAH FIRE PROTECTION AND AMBULANCE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING No. 221  
February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 6:30pm**

**MINUTES**

The meeting of the Board was held at Fire Station #1 in Beulah, CO.

Board members present were Chair and President John Levar, Vice President Mike Smith, Member at Large John Sartoris, and Secretary Chandra May-Lehrer. Also in attendance was Chief Bryan Ware. Community members Trina Olson and Kathy Moore were present.

**Chair and President John Levar called the meeting to order at 6:27p.m.**

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

There were no corrections or additions to the agenda.

*Motion was made by Mike Smith to approve the agenda, seconded by John Sartoris. Motion carried with no objections.*

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

There was one correction to John Sartoris' title, no other corrections and/or additions to the minutes. Therefore, were accepted.

*Motion was made by Mike Smith to accept minutes with corrections, seconded by John Sartoris. Motion carried with no objections.*

**4. FINANCIAL REPORT**

**a.** Currently the District's operating account is at \$50,832 and the Savings account is at \$1,234. Only a few things to note are the District received checks totaling \$298,070 from the CWDG that were designated for equipment reimbursement, salaries, paying the contract companies, etc. Chief Ware made one payment out of 4 for the year, for the General Liability Insurance, the next payment for this is March 1<sup>st</sup>. Workman's Compensation Insurance is once a year payment was also paid totaling in \$11,772. No other items were mentioned, nor questions by the Board.

*Motion was made by John Sartoris to accept the Financial Report, seconded by Mike Smith. Motion carried with no objections.*

**5. CHIEF'S REPORT, reported by Bryan Ware**

**a.** So far this year we have had 41 calls for service with 21 that have been EMS related, with 15 patients being transported to the hospital, and the remaining 20 calls for service being fire/rescue related.

**b.** We are wrapping up our Ready Set Go grant that was for \$24,000 today to help complete Zone 1 and Zone 2 mitigation work around the 25 homes that were identified in the HIZ inspections yet fell outside of the CWDG grant.

c. 411 had the new motor installed and their mechanics were going through the test drive when they had a failure in the motor. They are in communications with the manufacturer of the motor and are working on the replacement, but that means we will be without a second ambulance for a few more months.

d. 492 which is one of the two 4000-gallon water trucks that have been donated to Beulah Fire from Pueblo County back in 2019 has been removed from service as the pump is not functional and there is something going on with the transmission. It will only shift out of second gear once the unit has warmed up. After discussing operational aspects of removing this apparatus from our fleet with AC Levar, we feel it is best to sell this unit to a construction company vs putting money into a 34-year-old truck with 300K miles on it.

*Upon discussion with the Board, it was agreed upon this was the best plan going forward with this apparatus. It will be sold with the hopes of upwards to \$5,000.*

e. We will be wrapping up our EMT course on March 13<sup>th</sup> and will be looking to host a Firefighter 1 course starting in May.

f. I will be sitting on the State Fire Grant Review panel next Friday and Saturday in Golden.

g. 483 sustained about 3K in damage when a member backed into a tree on a call in the Mountain Park. The member was given a verbal warning for not following SOGs.

## **6. OLD BUSINESS**

### **a. CWDG Update**

Our representative Chad Julian is nervous about the CWDG continuing with all the news about Federal Grants being placed on hold or being cut. However, he is awaiting news on anything that will change with the CWDG and has not heard anything as of now that has changed within the grant or moving forward with the projects as planned. Currently the crews are working on properties on North Creek.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. Resolution 2025-03 Board Member Appointment- Treasurer Vacancy**

Treasurer Sue Bacon resigned in January of her position and there has been an interested member, Trina Olson to take her place. This resolution states that Trina Olson will be appointed to take the vacant director's position on the Board of Directors. Sue Bacon's position was not set to expire until May of 2025, however with being appointed, Trina Olson shall serve on the Board as an appointed position until the normal election in May of 2025.

*Motion to accept Resolution 2025-03 was made by John Sartoris, seconded by Mike Smith. Roll call vote was completed. Motion carried with no objections.*

**8. MOTION TO ADJOURN:** *Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Smith, seconded by John Sartoris. Motion carried with no objections.*

Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm.

Chandra May-Lehrer  
Secretary, Board of Directors  
Beulah Fire Protection and Ambulance District