

**BEULAH AMBULANCE DISTRICT  
SPECIAL COMMUNITY MEETING WITH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING No. 30**

**August 22, 2010**

**MINUTES**

This special meeting was held at the Beulah Community Center in Beulah, CO

Board members present were: Chairman and President Steve Douglas; Vice-president Carol Wright; Secretary Anne Moulton; Treasurer Ruth Ann Amey; and Judy Satterfield. Also attending were EMS Coordinator Bryan Ware, responders Tricia Anderson, Nathan Anderson, and Anne Whitfield, EMA Consultants representatives Andrea Emery and Robert Loesel, and community members Lindol Amey, Lillian Clifford and Rayetta Thomlinson of 2960 San Isabel, Pueblo 81008, Edwin Lietz, and John Pearson of 8290 Hwy 78W, Beulah, 81023.

Chairman and President Steve Douglas called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Steve Douglas opened with introducing the Board of Directors and our new EMS Coordinator Bryan Ware. He reviewed the history of the Special District including the original intent expressed during its formation to use both taxes and insurance revenues for general support of the District. He asked if all residents present received the report recently mailed and stated that the database from Pueblo County would be corrected with the returned reports. (All residents/owners present had received the report.) He clarified that residents having relief as taxpayers from paying copays and deductibles would include all owners of raw or developed land within the district, residents, renters, and their family members who live here. Non-residents, including houseguests in Beulah would be billed in full, to their insurance and to them for copayments and deductibles.

Bryan Ware emphasized that we would be going with what is being done in other agencies both locally and nationally regarding charges and insurance billing. He provided comparative numbers for several agencies. He spoke about the need for training for our responders and to increase the number of volunteers. He discussed the importance of having appropriate garaging associated with an office (we currently have one ambulance down at the school and one parked outside our rented office, neither of which is adequately protected). He expressed a hope for community help in getting improvements accomplished. He stated we hope to reimburse volunteers to assure their presence when needed.

Ruth Ann Amey brought out the important point that the State of Colorado would not recognize our grant requests unless we were doing what we could to support ourselves, which is widely recognized to include billing insurance for transport.

It was noted that Rye Fire Protection District brought in over one million dollars in 8 years with some writeoffs. As compared to 8 years ago, Rye is now able to more effectively cover a larger area. At this time we are letting the insurance companies keep the money they rightfully owe, and district residents are also subsidizing non-residents who receive our ambulance care.

The attendees are asked if they have any questions. There are none. Bryan asks that if anyone hears of questions in the community they be referred to us. We plan to begin billing before the year is out.

Meeting adjourned at 03:16 pm

Anne E Moulton  
Secretary. Beulah Ambulance District Board of Directors