

**BEULAH FIRE PROTECTION AND AMBULANCE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING No. 175
March 25th, 2021**

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 Larry Walter, Treasurer Sue Bacon, Fundraising Coordinator Bob Thompson, and Secretary Chandra May-Lehrer. Also attending was Chief Bryan Ware.

Chair and President John Levar called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

There were no additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Motion was made by Bob Thompson to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Larry Walter. Motion carried with no objections.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of February 25th, 2021 Meeting

There weren't any corrections or additions to the minutes, therefore were accepted.

Motion was made by Larry Walter to accept minutes with corrections, seconded by Sue Bacon. Motion carried with no objections.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

a. Chief Bryan Ware and Treasurer Sue Bacon went over the financial statement from February 2021. The department is on track with all bills and savings for the month, there was an expense of \$1400 for new tires, mentioned in the Chief Notes below. There was also a few generous donations made to the Department, resulting in more protective gear being bought.

Motion was made by Sue Bacon to accept the Financial Report, seconded by Chandra May-Lehrer. Motion carried with no objections

5. CHIEF'S REPORT, reported by Bryan Ware

a. As of today, we are at 50 responses for the year, of those 19 are fire rescue related. Of the 31 EMS responses we have transported 20 to local hospitals.

b. The State has contacted with Centura Health to take over the Community Based COVID Vaccination site which has been moved to the State Fair Grounds. We completed our training to become a vaccination site and are awaiting approval for the vaccine.

c. We have a busy month and half coming up for the District with the following highlighted events: Saturday, April 3rd at 10am we will be hosting a recruitment open house, Saturday, April 10th we will be conducting our annual wildfire refresher, Saturday, April 17th we will be hosting a propane safety training from 8a-4p, Saturday May 1st we will be

conducting live fire training with a house that donated to the District, Saturday, May 15th from 9a-12p we will be hosting our annual Community Wildfire Preparedness event on the East property.

d. We have submitted the State EMS Grant for the new ambulance and made it past the first hurdle with getting approved for the 20% match financial waiver. This past week we had our second hearing at the RETAC level and then in May we will have our third hearing at the State level. We will not know the outcome of this until June.

e. We had put in for 2 smaller grants, the first was with the NFPA Wildfire Prevention Division which was for \$ 500 to assist a resident with mitigation around their home. We were awarded this grant and the Fire Cadets will be receiving these funds towards their Department expenses and the property that was selected is for a disabled veteran in our area. The second grant we put in for was through the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition for \$ 300 towards a pop tent with our logos on it and found out this past week that we were awarded that as well.

f. We have had multiple fraud filings to our Unemployment with the State over the past month, all reports have been filed with their fraud department. The District credit card was also hacked again and has been replaced.

g. We are looking into a grant opportunity to assist with staffing a Type 6 engine on Red Flag days with a crew of 2. This will allow for a faster response when a fire is reported on these days. In 2020 the District was under a Red Flag warning 22 times.

h. Vehicle #411 was in need of new tires, and therefore the price of roughly \$1400 was spent to replace the tires.

i. Jake Simonich and Hunter Richardson both have passed the National Registry for EMS.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. 2020 Audit- Resolution 2021-01

The audit was completed on time, as it was due in March 2021. The audit has successfully made it through the initial process. It will continue through the second part of the process and the Board will receive an update once that's completed.

Motion to accept Resolution 2021-01 was made by Bob Thompson, seconded by John Levar. Motion carried with no objections.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Water District IGA- Resolution 2021-02

Chief Bryan Ware handed out to the board members an updated IGA between the District and Beulah Water Works. This updated IGA discusses the changes in allowing the District to utilize up to 30,000 gallons of water annually and any additional overages will be determined by an overage rate that is in agreeance with the District and the Water District annually. The District will also provide public meeting space for the Water District as scheduling permits. This IGA is Resolution 2021-02 and was agreed upon and signed into action during the meeting.

*Motion to accept Resolution 2021-02 was made by Larry Walter, seconded by Sue Bacon.
Motion carried with no objections.*

8. MOTION TO ADJOURN: *Motion to adjourn was made by Chandra May-Lehrer, seconded by Larry Walter. Motion carried with no objections.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

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