

**BEULAH FIRE PROTECTION AND AMBULANCE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING No. 226
July 24, 2025, at 6:30pm**

MINUTES

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

Board members present were President John Levar, Vice President Mike Smith, Treasurer Trina Olson, Secretary Kathy Moore, and Member at Large John Sartoris. Also in attendance was Chief Bryan Ware. No Community members were present.

1. CALL TO ORDER.

President John Levar called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF JULY AGENDA.

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

3. APPROVAL OF JUNE 26th, 2025, MEETING MINUTES.

To be added to June 26, 2025, meeting minutes:

“Chief Ware discussed performance concerns with one contractor: Three people working on site which should have been five per the contract and issues with work quality. Weekly meetings with the contractor have been set up to discuss any current issues that arise.”

Motion was made by John Sartoris to approve the corrected June minutes as modified, seconded by Mike Smith. Motion carried with no objections.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

The current balance in the operating account is \$ 34,654.00 and the savings balance is \$ 3,514.00. All expenses and incomes for the month were within the normal budget.

On Income Statement Compared to Budget: Gwen will correct the following:

Line item 8207.00 Chief's Payroll Tax under Administration needs to be moved to line item 8181.10 CWDG Personnel under CWDG. Chief Ware's expenses are paid by CWDG.

Motion was made by Trina Olson to approve the Financial Report, seconded by John Sartoris. Motion carried with no objections.

5. CHIEF'S REPORT, reported by Bryan Ware

- So far this year we have had 157 calls for service with 84 that have been EMS related, with 55 patients being transported to the hospital, and the remaining 73 calls for service being fire/rescue related.

- We completed the Beulah Evacuation Drill on June 27, 2025, with great participation from the community. A new data tracking website was established allowing residents to self-register once they are evacuated, decreasing the time deputies must spend doing door-to-door.
- On July 17th the District responded on a flash flood activation due to the Oak Ridge Burn Scar receiving just over a 1" of rain in less than an hour. Heavy debris flow covered the bridges throughout the Middle Creek Canyon and created some flooding over the Central Ave crossing. No structures were damaged.
- The station generator failed again when we lost power 2 weeks ago. This unit has not worked properly in the 2 ½ years since it was installed. I have raised the concern to San Isabel who has escalated the issue to Cummins who is sending a rep here on August 4th. San Isabel is going to cover all costs associated.
- The new command Tahoe is in service.
- We will be hosting a Community Blood Drive here on Saturday, July 26th.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. CWDG Update

Chief Ware discussed \$218K due from CWDG that was slow in coming. It should show on Saturday, July 26th in time for August 1st building payment.

On Excel spreadsheet, the \$241,250.00 cost for the Type 6 Engine is being paid via USDA loan. The full amount will not be paid at all at one time. The first payment will be paid in 2026, so there will be no effect for 2025. Also, the line item for the skid steer is an estimate while looking for a used, reliable skid steer which can be used for slash management with CWDG.

Regarding CWDG performance issue: Chief Ware met with the contractor and gave them guidance on slash management. Also mentioned the crew size of 3 when it should have been 5, but that will be their issue on getting things done at a slower pace.

All three aspects of the project are going well, and Pine Drive will be the next focused area of the project for the coming summer.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Executive Session as per Section 24-6-402(4)(f) C.R.S. for a personnel matter

Pay adjustments: Discussed 2.5% mid-year raises as recommended by Chief Ware for three members: Fulltime Paramedic and two CWDG employees. The two CWDG employee raises are at no cost to the District; they are included as part of the CWDG.

Motion was made by Mike Smith to approve the 2.5% raises as presented, seconded by John Sartoris. Motion carried with no objections.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Kathy Moore
Secretary, Board of Directors
Beulah Fire Protection and Ambulance District