



BENTON COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

June 20, 2024

CALL REGULAR BOARD MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Orth called the meeting to order **4:01 PM** at District #2, Station 210.

THOSE PRESENT:

Barry Orth, Chairperson
Steve Rouse, Commissioner
Larry Howell, *Commissioner*
Dennis Bates, Fire Chief
Caren Wheeler, District Secretary

GUESTS:

Bill Reed, Cpt. Jeanie Howell
Steve McGhan, Lt.
Darrin Pettis, Cpt.
Wyatt Flagg
Ayden Decker

ABSENT: Todd Dormaier, *Assistant Chief*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: *Excuse Commissioner Howell under Personnel.*

AGENDA AND MINUTES:

- Approval of the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting dated 06-20-2024.
- Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated 06-03-2024.

Commissioner Howell moved to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting dated June 20, 2024, and moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting dated June 3, 2024. Commissioner Rouse seconded, and the motions passed.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 07-04-2024, HOLIDAY: Fourth of July, Office closed
- 07-08-2024, B2 Commissioners' Meeting, 4:00 PM, STA 210, Monday
- 07-18-2024, B2 Commissioners' Meeting, 4:00 PM, STA 210,

VOUCHERS:

The following Vouchers are approved for payment from Fund **6821-101**:

Payroll Direct Deposit, in the amount of \$ 47,877.23,
Payroll Voucher, in the amount of \$ 39,339.61,
Bill Vouchers, in the amount of \$ 24,249.51,

Grand Total of \$ 111,466.35

Commissioner Howell moved to approve and pay Payroll Direct Deposit, in the amount of \$47,877.23, Payroll Vouchers in the amount of \$39,339.61, and Bill Vouchers in the amount of \$24,249.51; for a Grand Total of \$111,466.35. Commissioner Rouse seconded, and the motions passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: *None.*

CITY OF BENTON CITY: Bill Reed updated commissioners on city business.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- *Ki Be Athletic Boosters – 2024-2025 Sponsorship. White Level \$250.*

Commissioner Howell moved to approve and pay Kiona Benton Athletic Boosters 2024-2025 Annual Sponsorship White Level in the amount of \$250.00. Commissioner Rouse seconded, and the motion passed.



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FINANCIALS: Financials up through May 2024

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: *Dennis Bates, Fire Chief*

- Spoke with Benton City Mayor and WA Fish and Wildlife about walking path area to mow and reduce fuels.
- Transport Truck is near completion. APP 61/APP 62.
- Working on a \$10,000 grant for Wildland PPE.
- Review 13th Street structure fire.
- Working on New hire Information for Volunteer Resident positions and Career Medic position.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- BCFPD#2 Association Update – *Will purchase signs for Fire Levy.*
- Equipment – *None.*
- STA 210 Upgrades – *None.*
- PIO (Lt. Jack Derderian) – *None.*
- Safety (Captain Mike Meyer) – *None.*
- State Commissioner Conference, Spokane, WA (10/23-10/26)
 - Attendees: Orth, Howell, Rouse

FIRE Levy Lid Lift:

- Media postcards/ Mailers ordered and shipped. Will be distributed July 17, 2024.
- Back up resolution to be approved either July 18th or August 5th for General Election.

August 2024 Primary Election

May 3	Resolution Deadline—August Primary
May 6-10	Candidate Filing Week
May 14	Lot Drawing
May 21	Candidate Statements/Photos Due
June 19	Military/Overseas ballots are mailed
July 17	Ballots mailed
July 29	Mail in/Online registration deadline
August 6	In-Person registration deadline
August 6	Election Day
August 20	Certification of August Primary Results

November 2024 General Election

August 6	Resolution Deadline—November General
September 18	Military/Overseas ballots are mailed
October 16	Ballots mailed
October 28	Mail in/Online registration deadline
November 5	In-Person registration deadline
November 5	Election Day
November 26	Certification of November General Results



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NEW BUSINESS:

- Annual Report 2023 has been submitted. The full report will be available at the commissioners' meeting on 07/8/24.

PERSONNEL:

- Excuse Commissioner Howell from Commissioners' Meeting dated 06-03-24.

Commissioner Rouse moved to excuse Commissioner Howell from Commissioners' Meeting dated June 3, 2024. Chairperson Orth seconded, and the motion passed.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: *Executive Session for next meeting for performance review.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- No executive session at this meeting. Will move to next meeting 07-08-24.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Rouse moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Howell seconded. There being no further business, Chairperson Orth adjourned the meeting at 4:57 PM.

Attested on: _____

CAREN WHEELER, DISTRICT SECRETARY

BARRY G. ORTH, CHAIRPERSON

LARRY D. HOWELL, COMMISSIONER

LEWIS S. ROUSE, COMMISSIONER