



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

**PUBLIC**  
**REMOTE MEETING**

January 11, 2021

CALL REGULAR BOARD MEETING TO ORDER

Commissioner Howell called the meeting to order 6:02 PM at District #2, Station 210. Public is virtual.

THOSE PRESENT: (In-Person)

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

GUESTS: (Virtual)

Jack Derderian, PIO

THOSE ABSENT: Ron Duncan, Fire Chief;

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Chief evaluation commissioner set up.

AGENDA AND MINUTES:

- Approval of the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting dated 01-11-2021.
- Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated 12-14-2020.

***Commissioner Howell moved to approve the Agenda, for the Regular Board Meeting, dated January 11, 2021, moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, dated December 14, 2020. Commissioner Rouse seconded, and the motions passed.***

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **01-18-21, HOLIDAY: Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Office Closed**
- **01-25-21, B2 Commissioners' Meeting, 3:30 PM, Location: In-Person/Public Virtual**
- **02-08-21, B2 Commissioners' Meeting, 6:00 PM, Location: In-Person/Public Virtual**

VOUCHERS:

The following Vouchers are approved for payment from Fund 6802-101:

**13<sup>th</sup> Month 2020** – Bill Vouchers in the amount of \$16,394.61.

**January 2021** – Bill Vouchers in the amount of \$13,504.15.

***Commissioner Howell moved to approve and pay Bill Vouchers in the amount of \$29,898.76. Commissioner Rouse seconded, and the motion passed.***

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: From Assistant Chief Bates.

- New road map to recovery issued by the state. We are currently reviewing items and checking for changes that would need implemented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- BCFPD#2 Association Update – None.
  - Equipment: Boat – Boat was ordered. Waiting on delivery date.
- STA 210 Upgrades – None.
- LOCAL: Ambulances – None.
- PIO (Jack Derderian) – Virtual Tri Tech health and safety proposal last week.



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- Conferences – None.
- Appreciation Dinner – TBD.

**STATE AUDIT:**

- Auditing Years 2017, 2018, and 2019 – Preparing for exit Audit later this month.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Union Negotiations – CBA sent back to union with verbiage and text edits. Approval set for January 25<sup>th</sup> commissioners meeting.
- Adopt Resolution 2021-01, Closure of 401 Fund

***Commissioner Howell moved to adopt Resolution 2021-01, for Closure of 401 Fund. Commissioner Rouse seconded the motion, and the motion passed.***

**PERSONNEL:** Chief evaluation virtual meeting set up. To set up executive meeting using In-person Commissioners only and public virtually, District Secretary will turn off audio and video for executive session. Once completed then resume audio and video features. This is so commissioners can safely stay distanced and not move to another room at station 210.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** Chief evaluation to be completed in January.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

***Commissioner Howell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Rouse seconded. There being no further business, Chairperson Orth adjourned the meeting at 6:16 PM.***

Attested:

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CAREN I. WHEELER, DISTRICT SECRETARY

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BARRY G. ORTH, CHAIRPERSON

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LARRY D. HOWELL, COMMISSIONER

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LEWIS S. ROUSE, COMMISSIONER