



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

September 11, 2023

CALL REGULAR BOARD MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Orth called the meeting to order **6:00 PM** at District #2, Station 210.

THOSE PRESENT:

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

GUESTS:

Jack Derderian, PIO
John Derderian, Union
Emmanuel Fernandez, Resident
Grady O'Niel, Resident
Jacob, Hamilton, Volunteer

ABSENT: *None.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

- New Business: Resolution 2023-02
- Correspondence: Letter from Tri-County Firefighters Local No. 4965

AGENDA AND MINUTES:

- Approval of the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting dated 09-11-2023.
- Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated 08-21-2023.

Commissioner Howell moved to approve the agenda, for the Regular Board Meeting dated September 11, 2023, and moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting dated August 21, 2023. Commissioner Rouse seconded, and the motions passed.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **09-25-23, B2 Commissioners' Meeting, 3:30 PM, STA 210**
- 09-28-23, 2024 Budget Workshop, 9:00A, STA 210
- **10-09-23, B2 Commissioners' Meeting, 6:00 PM, STA 210**
- 10-09-23, Holiday – Columbus Day – Office Closed
- 10-25-23, WFCFA State Conference, Tulalip, WA

VOUCHERS:

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

Bill Vouchers, in the amount of \$68,967.47

Commissioner Rouse moved to approve and pay Bill Vouchers in the amount of \$68,967.47. Commissioner Howell seconded, and the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: *None.*

CITY OF BENTON CITY: *None.*

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Letter: The Benton City Faith Council
- Seminar – Snure Laws Update Seminar – State Conference
- Letter: Tri-County Firefighters Local No. 4965



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FINANCIALS: *None.*

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:

- Transport update: Transport is an irreplaceable piece of equipment. After discussing a plan with Captain Pettis, below is what the funding breakdown will be to replace the transport (Lowboy and Trailer)

Request from B2 reserves: **\$126,703.81**

Total payments from Insurance: **\$48,296.19**

Proposed Budget 2024: **\$175,000.00**

- Currently searching the USED market.
- Per [RCW 39.26.125](#) Competitive Solicitation-Exceptions, this purchase meets expectations (b) for special market conditions.
- Per [RCW 39.04.280](#) Competitive Bidding Requirements – Exemptions, this purchase meets exemption (b) for special market conditions. This does require a resolution by the board that recites the factual basis for the exemption.
- We are also looking at the option to buy back Transport truck for sell for scrap and auction off the transport trailer to reduce the expense put on the budget.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- BCFPD#2 Association Update – *None.*
- Equipment – Equipment issues under Chief's report.
- Station IT – *None.*
- STA 210 Upgrades – *None.*
- PIO (Jack Derderian) – Jack Derderian
 - Next article will be about our smoke detector program.
 - BC Dazes parade we had about 13 trucks in all Joint effort with other districts.
 - BC Daze booth was well manned by personnel.
- Conferences:
 - NAEFO Conference – September 18-19, 2023, Las Vegas, NV
 - Attendees: Orth
 - WA Fire Admin Conference – October 2-4, 2023, Leavenworth, WA
 - Attendees: Canada, Wheeler
 - WFCA State Conference – October 26-29, 2023, Tulalip, WA
 - Attendees: Orth, Rouse, Howell, Bates, Dormaier

NEW BUSINESS:

- Review of 2022 Annual Report.
- DRS Audit:
 - Final Report
 - Certification of Corrections



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- Adopt Resolution 2023-02, Declaring Miscellaneous Personal Property Surplus to the needs of the District to be offered for Disposal.

Commissioner Howell moved to adopt Resolution 2023-02, Declaring Miscellaneous Personal Property Surplus to the needs of the District to be offered for Disposal. Commissioner Rouse second and the motion passed.

BUDGET:

- Workshop: 09/28/23 at 9:00 AM, STA 210

UNION:

- Chief Bates and Assistant Chief Dormaier are meeting with Union next week before Budget review.

PERSONNEL:

- District Secretary out of state October 5 through October 8, 2023.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: *None.*

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 6:32 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