

BEAVER FIRE DISTRICT #1
BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Chairperson Jack Erwig, Co-Chairperson Paul Elieson, EMT Representative Lonnie Laws, Fire Chief George Humphreys, Fire Department Representative Larry Weaver, Fire District Secretary Anona Yardley, Ambulance Director Jennifer McIlroy, Beaver County Attorney Von Christiansen, EMT Representative Leslie White and County Commissioner Wade Hollingshead. Board Member Lance Cox was excused.

Welcome and Opening: Chairperson Erwig welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes Reviewed: Board members reviewed the minutes of **December 15, 2025**, that had previously been sent to them. There being no recommended changes to the minutes, Board Member Hollingshead motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Board Member Elieson seconded the motion. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Fire Department Financial Review December 2025 & January 2026

Board Members reviewed the bills for the fire department. Board Member Hollingshead motioned, and Board Member Weaver seconded to approve the fire department bills and financial statements as presented. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Ambulance Service Financial Review November & December 2025

After review, Board Member Hollingshead motioned, and Board Member Weaver seconded to accept the ambulance department bills and financial statements as presented. Motion carried with a majority vote.

Conflict of Interest Statements: No conflicts were noted or voiced for this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

CDBG Grant for Ambulance Progress – Secretary Yardley

The Income survey showed the Low Median Income was 77.11%. This percentage was sufficient to qualify for CDBG monies. The State CDBG Board will let us know about funding in March or April.

NEW BUSINESS

Welcome New Board Member – Lance Cox

Because Board Member Cox was excused, his welcome will be done next board meeting in April.

Conflict of Interest Statements 2026

At the beginning of each calendar year, each board member is required to complete a Conflict-of-Interest Statement for the year. Board members filled out the forms during the meeting and Secretary Yardley will keep them for the 2026 year.

Fire Chief's Report – George Humphrey

Training – The Hazmat Class is in process of scheduling every week for 2.5 months. The department is doing wildfire refreshers. Deputy Woolsey will be training on crime issues for the department. Fitness testing and respiratory plan are also in the works.

Audit – The Fire District will have an audit for 2025 because expenditures were over \$1,000,000. It is underway. The Public Meeting Notice state website needs an update. Secretary Yardley will do the update. Ambulance Director McIlnay will email the by-laws to the auditor.

Ambulance Director's Report – Jennifer McIlnay

Personnel - There are 8 new EMT's in the department, all women. Six of these passed the recent EMT test. Nine of the ten participants in the EMT class passed the state test. This was a great success for the EMT's that took the class and the instructors. The one person has not taken the test yet. The instructors, Stephanie and Jennifer gave a great deal of pre-thought and preparation for this class. There are three Medics on the roster as well.

Med-Shed Usage – There are two rooms in the Ambulance Shed that are used as living quarters. Five people from out of town use these rooms when they are on call and have shifts that require them to be in town. A weight room was considered being built in one of the bays, but because of OSHA rules there would need to be wall built in order to block the diesel fumes from the ambulances.

CLOSED SESSION

Board Member Hollingshead motioned and Board Member Laws seconded to move into closed session for the following reason: Discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. The motion was approved by a roll call vote by Board Members White, Elieson, Laws, Hollingshead, Weaver, and Erwig. Board Member Cox was excused. Fire Chief Humphreys left the meeting. Motion passed with a majority vote. The board moved into closed session at 7:30 p.m. They moved out of closed session at 8:07 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Monday, April 20, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Jack Erwig, Chairperson

Anona S. Yardley, Secretary