

BEAVER FIRE DISTRICT #1
BOARD MINUTES
Monday, June 15, 2026

Meeting Time: 7:10 p.m.

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

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

Minutes Reviewed: Board members reviewed the minutes of **April 20, 2026**, that had previously been sent to them. There being no recommended changes to the minutes, Board Member White motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Board Member Laws seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Fire Department Financial Review April & May 2026

Board Members reviewed the bills for the fire department, Board Member Laws motioned, and Board Member White seconded to approve the fire department bills and financial statements as presented. All voted in favor. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Ambulance Service Financial Review April & May, 2026

After review, Board Member Cox motioned, and Board Member Weaver seconded to accept the ambulance department bills and financial statements as presented. Motion passed 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 final application has been submitted by the deadline. Federal funding has not been received to the State of Utah at present. We can't order the ambulance before a contract is signed and finalized between Beaver County and the State of Utah. A contract will not be issued until the State receives the Federal funding. Hopefully, the State will receive the money in June so the contract will be finalized by the first part of July.

Fire Chief's Report – George Humphreys

Wildfire Season – The wildland fire crews are looking for a source of water to use in mitigation of wildfires in the area. There are some ponds, but they don't have enough water in them to be of much use. The fire department turned in a wildfire engine and got over \$10,000 for this trade in. They used this money and other parts of the truck that were kept upgrading the pump and other parts on another truck. They were given a new truck that is bigger and newer for trading in the old truck.

Fireworks – The fire department is participating in extended safety training for shooting fireworks. Fire Chief Humphreys gave each board member a letter written to Beaver City explaining Stage 2 fireworks restrictions. The ambulance dumpster will be moved so the public will not have access. An

old used dumpster will hopefully be available only for fireworks so the fireworks can't cause a fire in a dumpster full of trash. There are no fireworks allowed in unincorporated areas as per state law. The Beaver City Council will be meeting on Tuesday to consider this resolution for city residents.

Fire Inspections - Inspection of the Beaver Valley Hospital Wellness Center and Unitek building are still working on compliance for fire safety. Bronson Anderson has passed two classes for fire inspection. Because of training requirements, it will be at least a year before he is licensed as a fire inspector. A wedding center is starting to work on fire alarms and suppression systems in their building. The goal of the fire department is to start a yearly fire inspection with help from Beaver City business licensing procedures.

Competitive Bids for Parking Lot and Driveway – One bid has been received for the crack sealing and seal coat of the driveway and parking lot. It was approximately \$7,200 for the South side and \$10,000 for the west parking lot. There is another company, State Line Asphalt, that will be asked to bid the project. Asst. Fire Chief Craig Wright mentioned that Prodigy Paving from Fillmore would also be a good company to contact.

Yearly Insurance Premium – The insurance is due on July 1, 2026, which includes the worker's compensation, liability, and auto insurance. Have not received the invoice yet.

Ambulance Director's Report – Jennifer McIlroy

Ambulance Grants – The ambulance service has applied for two grants from the State. One is a competitive grant for retention bonuses. No word has been received about this application. Ambulance Director McIlroy has been selected to serve as a board member on the Utah State Grants Committee. She was also voted in for a second term on the Rural EMS Directors of Utah board. There is a grant this year for Rural Health Transformation. The state has already received this funding. It is a five-year grant. The money will be available for five years. This grant is promoting Paramedicine. This is very difficult for rural areas to qualify. The grant is trying to help hospitals with overcrowding. Education is another grant for paramedic and EMS school. Innovation is another pillar of this grant. New equipment, and other types of innovation are a part as well. The state is not sure what this means. It is a huge learning curve for everyone. Another grant is the Outdoor Recreation Grant. The Rural EMS with more than 50% of calls that benefit tourists, could qualify for this grant. The Beaver Ambulance Service would qualify.

Personnel – The EMT numbers are good. The department has more EMT's now than ever before. More seasoned EMT's are needed for each shift. With the eight new people, they still need a driver and an experienced EMT in the back. In six months the new EMT's will have more experience and will be able to fit the more experienced group.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Monday, August 15, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Jack Erwig, Chairperson

Anona S. Yardley, Secretary