

Beaver Emergency Services Commission

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Wednesday May 14, 2025, 6:00 -9:00 PM BESC Office Viking

COMMISSION members PRESENT at commencement:

Chair Gene Hrabec

Beaver County Division 3

Vice-Chair Cindy Lefsrud

Town of Viking

Commissioner Lionel Williams

Beaver County Division 2

Commissioner Deb Dueck

Town of Tofield

Commissioner Sheldon Reid

Village of Ryley Village of Holden

Commissioner John Markel
Commissioner Dale Pederson

Beaver County Division 5

ADMINISTRATION members PRESENT at commencement:

Sheila Lusk

Executive Administrative Assistant

Marge Gausvik

Financial Controller

Kayla Miller

Administrative Assistant

Denise Durie

Administrative Assistant

All participants attended in person unless noted otherwise

1) CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Hrabec called the meeting to order at 5:57 pm.

2) AGENDA ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS:

Add item 5.6 Board Chair per Diem - RMA Insurance meetings Add item 6.5 Correspondence

3) ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

25-057

CM

to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

Moved by

Pederson

4) MINUTES:

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to approve the April 9, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

Moved by

Dueck

minutes as presented.

CARRIED

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5) FINANCIALS:

- 5.1 Reconciliation Reports
- 5.2 Financials
- 5.3 Aged Receivables
- 5.4 RFD 2025-05-001 Unbudgeted Expenditure Station 2 repairs
- 5.5 RFD 2025-05-002 Unbudgeted Expenditure Station 3 Brush Truck
- 5.6 Board Chair per Diem RMA meeting

25-059 Moved by	CM Markel	to accept the April 2025 reconciliation as presented.	CARRIED
25-060 Moved by	CM Reid	to accept the April 2025 financial statements as presented.	CARRIED
25-061 Moved by	CM Dueck	that Administration place an ad in the Beaver Chronicle to thank Victim Services for their generous \$10,000 donation to BESC.	CARRIED
25-062 Moved by	VC Lefsrud	that the Board approve the unbudgeted expenditure to repair the floor in Station 2 using Operating Reserve funds up to \$60,000.	CARRIED
25-063 Moved by	Chair Hrabec	that the Board approve the unbudgeted expenditure of an increase of capital funds for the build of the Station 3 brush truck to a maximum of \$265,000.	CARRIED
25-064 Moved by	VC Lefsrud	that the Board approve \$230 plus mileage for Chair Hrabec's meeting with RMA.	CARRIED

Direction from the Board: Administration to add review of Accounts Receivable Policy to the June Regular board meeting agenda.

6) BUSINESS:

6.1 RFD 2025-05-002 HR-016 Drug and Alcohol Policy

25-065 Moved by	CM Dueck	that the Board approve Drug and Alcohol Policy HR-016 as presented.	CARRIED		
25-066 Moved by	CM Pederson	that the Board rescind policy 3.2 Drug and Alcohol.	CARRIED		
6.2 RFD 2025-05-003 FIR-003 Incident Reporting Policy					
25-067 Moved by	CM Dueck	that the Board approve policy FIR-003 Emergency Incident Reporting as presented.	CARRIED		
25-068 Moved by	CM Pederson	that the Board rescind policy 13.1 Emergency Incident Reporting.	CARRIED		

6.3 RFD 2025-05-004 HR-017 Progressive Discipline Policy

25-069	CM	that the Board approve policy HR-017 Progressive	CARRIED
Moved by	Dueck	Discipline Policy as presented.	

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6.4 RMA Firefighter Driver Training

BESC will trial the RMA Insurance Emergency Responder Driver Training which is being offered free of charge. RMA is re-introducing this training because there have been serious accidents involving first responder drivers in the past few years. REM Upham will make the necessary arrangements with RMA.

6.5 Correspondence

The Village of Ryley has invited BESC to their annual Sports Day celebration June 20 to 22, 2025

25-070

Chair

that the Administration explore options for attending the

CARRIED

Moved by

Hrabec

Ryley Sports day celebration.

7) REPORTS:

7.1 H&S Committee

There has been potentially serious incident which is currently under investigation.

Next committee meeting is June 16, 2025.

7.2 Capital Purchases Committee

Clean up has begun on the new Station 3 firehall site.

Station 3 brush truck is nearing completion.

7.3 Policy Committee

No report. Next committee meeting is May 27, 2025.

7.4 Regional Manager Report

Reviewed the report which was provided to the Board by email.

8) FUTURE DATES:

Reviewed the future dates schedule.

Changes to the MGA regarding provincial elections may affect the dates for the November board meeting. November meeting and orientation dates will be reviewed at the August board meeting.

9) CLOSED SESSION:

No items

10) NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday June 11, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in Viking, Alberta or at the call of the Chair.

11) ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Hrabec adjourned the meeting at 7:02 pm

Chair

Vice Chair

Regional Manager

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