

# BYRON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, October 28, 2025

## 1) OPENING OF MEETING

President Chris Logston called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

## 2) ROLL CALL

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Matt Kuss, Randy Snider, Chris Higgins, Sandy Beitel, and Chris Logston

TRUSTEES ABSENT

None

OFFICERS PRESENT

Chief Andrew Politsch and B/C Nate Landin at 6:04 pm

## 3) GUESTS PRESENT

Jody Rawson – Accountant and Michele Trzcinski Ramos – Recording Secretary

## 4) PUBLIC COMMENT

None

## 5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 23, 2025 General Meeting Minutes - Trustee Kuss motioned to approve September 23, 2025 General Meeting Minutes as submitted and studied. Second by Trustee Higgins. Roll Call: Higgins – Yes, Snider – Yes, Beitel – Yes, Kuss - Yes and Logston - Yes. Motion passed.

September 23, 2025 Closed Session General Meeting Minutes - Trustee Kuss motioned to approve September 23, 2025 Closed Session General Meeting Minutes as submitted and studied with the provision that they remain closed. Second by Trustee Snider. Roll Call: Snider – Yes, Higgins – Yes, Kuss – Yes, Beitel – Yes, and Logston - Yes. Motion passed.

## 6) APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT AND BILLS

Trustee Beitel motioned to approve the Financial Report and Bills for September 2025 in the amount of \$672,318.42, as submitted and studied. Second by Trustee Higgins. Roll Call: Kuss – Yes, Higgins – Yes, Snider – Yes, Beitel - Yes, and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.

**7) ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA** – Trustee Kuss motioned to approve the Agenda as printed. Second by Trustee Higgins. Roll Call: Snider – Yes, Higgins – Yes, Kuss – Yes, Beitel – Yes, and Logston – Yes.

**8) CORRESPONDENCE and ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None

**9) OPEN BUDGET HEARING** – President Logston Opened the Budget Hearing at 6:03 pm. No members of the public were present during the Budget Hearing. Chief Politsch reviewed the minor changes to the Budget.

**10) CLOSE BUDGET HEARING** – President Logston Closed the Budget Hearing at 6:04 pm.

**11) OLD BUSINESS**

A) *Review of Ordinances & Resolutions Passed and Approved in October of Previous Years – None.*

B) *Discussion and possible action on Ordinance #2025-03 Covering Composition, Salaries, Benefits and Regulations of the Byron Fire Protection District – Ordinance #2025-03 was updated by Chief Politsch as directed during Closed Session at the September Meeting. The Trustees reviewed the updates prior to the meeting. Trustee Higgins motioned to approved Ordinance # 2025-03 Covering Composition, Salaries, Benefits and Regulations of the Byron Fire Protection District Second by Trustee Kuss. Roll Call: Kuss – Yes, Higgins – Yes, Snider – Yes, Beitel – Yes, and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.*

C) *Discussion and possible action on Chief Politsch's Employment Contract – Chief Politsch updated his contract as directed during Closed Session at the September Meeting. The Trustees reviewed the updates prior to the meeting. Trustee Beitel motioned to approve Chief Politsch Employment Contract dated 11/1/25 – 10/31/2026. Seconded by Trustee Higgins. Roll Call: Snider – Yes, Kuss – Yes, Higgins – Yes, Beitel – Yes, and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.*

D) *Discussion and possible action on Fiscal Year 2026 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #2025-02 - The Tentative Budget was posted at the station for 30 days; the Budget Hearing Notice was placed in a local paper, and the Budget Hearing was held. FY 2026 Budget increased by \$80,000; Tort Fund is \$5,000 less and the Sale of the Second Ambulance in the amount of \$85,000 was added. Trustee Beitel motioned to approve Fiscal Year 2026 Budget & Appropriation Ordinance #2025-02 as presented. Second by Trustee Snider. Roll Call: Higgins – Yes, Snider – Yes, Kuss – Yes, Beitel – Yes, and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.*

## **10) NEW BUSINESS**

A) *Chief's Report – Chief Reported the following:*

- *Open House was a Success*
- *Next Month the Tax Levy will be on the Agenda it has to be passed and filed with the County by the last Tuesday in December.*

*Trustee Logston requested a scenario spreadsheet, as done in the past, be e-mailed with the Proposed Levy prior to the November meeting. Trustee Logston also requested that we start projecting items in and around the station that might need to be repaired or updated.*

B) *Attorney's Report – No report.*

C) *Discussion and possible action on 2026 Meeting Dates – the proposed 2026 Meeting Dates were e-mailed to the Board on October 10<sup>th</sup>; proposed meetings will be the Fourth Tuesday of the Month at 6pm except for May and December, those will be held on the Third Tuesday. Trustee Kuss motioned to approve the 2026 Meeting Dates and Time as presented. Second by Trustee Higgins. Roll Call: Kuss – Yes, Higgins – Yes, Snider – Yes, Beitel – Yes, and Logston – Yes. Motion passed.*

**13) EXECUTIVE SESSION** – *There was nothing to discuss in Closed Session, no motion made.*

## **14) BUSINESS to DISCUSS after CLOSED SESSION**

A) *Discussion and possible action on any Closed Session Item – No action taken.*

## **15) ADJOURN**

*With no further business to discuss, Trustee Beitel motioned to adjourn the meeting. Second by Trustee Kuss. Roll Call: Kuss – Yes, Higgins – Yes, Snider – Yes, Beitel – Yes, and Logston – Yes. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*



*Mathew Kuss  
Secretary*