



Bonner County
Board of Ambulance Service District

Brian Domke

Asia Williams

Ron Korn

**MINUTES FOR THE BONNER COUNTY
AMBULANCE SERVICE DISTRICT**

April 15, 2026 – 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Bonner County Administration Building

1500 Highway 2, Third Floor Conference Room, Sandpoint, ID

On Wednesday, April 15, 2026, the Bonner County Board of Ambulance Service District met for their regularly scheduled meeting. Commissioners Domke and Korn were present. Commissioner Domke called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

ADOPT THE ORDER OF AGENDA AS PRESENTED / AMENDED

Commissioner Korn made a motion to adopt the Order of the Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Domke stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Korn – Yes; Commissioner Domke – Yes. The motion carries.

CONSENT AGENDA – Action Item

1) Bonner County Ambulance Service District Minutes, April 1, 2026

Commissioner Korn made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Domke stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Korn – Yes; Commissioner Domke – Yes. The motion carries.

BCASD –

1) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding FY26 Claims Batch #13, **Totaling \$31,970.82**

There was an invoice that needed to be removed, so the **new total is \$24,949.82**. The item was removed because it actually is being covered under warranty.

Commissioner Korn made a motion to approve payment of the FY26 BCASD Claims in Batch #13 totaling \$24,949.82.

Commissioner Domke stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Domke – Yes; Commissioner Korn – Yes. The motion carries.

2) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding BCASD Personnel Policy Manual

Commissioner Domke said that with no definition section, this can create confusion regarding some of the terms that are used. Jeff talked about sick time being changed to paid time off. Discussion followed regarding a few more changes.

Commissioner Korn asked Jeff how he came up with the manual. Jeff said it's a culmination of a few different ambulance district policy manuals.

Commissioner Domke said he would like to see the edits made before the board approves it, so they can see the finished product. Commissioner Korn agreed.

3) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding BCASD Fly-Car Replacement Purchase

Jeff talked about the difficulties of replacing vehicles. It is almost a two-year wait from the time they order a replacement. They talked about the age limit of vehicles before they need to be replaced – typically that is between 7-10 years. Jeff said ambulances have the same timeline issue, there is about an 18-month delay between ordering a new ambulance and receiving it. Alan said that the ambulance age limit is 8 years. No matter what the mileage is, they must be phased out at 8 years. He talked about what other counties nearby are doing regarding vehicles. Commissioner Korn asked what the mileage is for the current fly cars in the district. He also asked if there have been any major issues with either of them. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Korn said he would like to reevaluate the use of diesel ambulances, because if they're getting changed out every 8 years, or 150,000 miles, he doesn't see the benefit of using diesel over gas.

This is especially because of how expensive diesel is at this time. Jeff said they have looked into that, but most of their research has pointed to diesel engines being the best option.

Commissioner Domke asked if the cost of these vehicles has been accounted for in the budget forecast.

Commissioner Korn made a motion to approve the purchase of (2) 2026 F-150 Police Responder vehicles with aftermarket emergency equipment installed from Mike White Ford of CDA in the amount of \$126,070.

Commissioner Domke stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion.

Commissioner Domke asked if there were other dealers considered. Discussion followed.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Korn – Yes; Commissioner Domke – Yes. The motion carries.

5) Action Item: Discussion/Decision Regarding Open EMSAC Position

There is one applicant for this position. They asked Vicki to state her reason for interest in the position. Commissioner Domke said given her current involvement with EMS and the committee, he thinks it would be fitting to appoint her.

Commissioner Korn made a motion to approve Vicki Woodward to fill the vacant seat on the EMS Advisory Board until January 1, 2027.

Commissioner Domke stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Korn – Yes; Commissioner Domke – Yes. The motion carries.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS - Action Items / Discussion / Decision / Recommendation

1) Task List: Review & Updates

- No updates

2) Budget Forecast Update

They currently have roughly \$2.5 million and are hoping to keep about \$2 million in reserves.

Discussion followed regarding budgeting and forecasting.

Public Comment*

Jeff Lindsey – Speaking in his Sagle resident capacity. He mentioned that there are a lot of EMS employees at the meeting today. He talked about some comments that were made at a business meeting by the Clerk while he was on vacation. He talked about a conflict of interest. Nothing the district or commissioners are doing, he said, is in the wrong whatsoever. He wanted the public to be aware that they are following all laws. He also commented on Commissioner Korn’s previous comment to dissolve the ambulance district. To do that, it would take 25% of registered voters in the county to vote for that. That comment upset a lot of the ambulance employees, and they feel like they have no job stability. He talked about his employees maintaining high standards and doing a great job. He is asking for support from the commissioners.

Lengthy discussion followed.

Alan Brinkemeier – Speaking as a resident. He talked about his time with the district since 2010. He said it has been stressful sitting in this room every two years with a new board, who has new opinions on how the district should be run. He said that since pushing through the uncertainty of the future of the district, it’s been great to see morale be reinvigorated. He would put them on the same level as any other district of similar size in the state. He thinks they are doing a wonderful job. He wants the staff to feel supported by everyone.

Lengthy discussion followed.

Lacey Johns – She said the reason staff did not come to the commissioners is because there is no trust. There were things that should have been caught by the commissioners, by the Clerk, and they weren’t. Lengthy discussion followed. She said the commissioners are new, she doesn’t blame them. But the Clerk is not new, and she thinks he purposely did not give them all the information. She read a prepared statement regarding what EMS does for the community. State law supersedes county ordinance. She said using the word “dissolve” puts a lot of fear into employees. She asked for external audits to be done from an unbiased perspective.

Mike Rosedale – They have been audited externally ever since he’s been here, ever since the inception of EMS, and they have always been cleared in totality. He explained what the clerk does, and what they do

not do. Nobody at the county currently is at fault. This was a problem way before anyone currently employed came into office. He warned commenters against slander and libel.

Wayne Martin – Thinks EMS has been doing a great job, and it is greatly appreciated. He was not aware there was an open position on EMSAC and hopes they can be better advertised in the future. Words matter. Using the word “dissolve” scares people. Urged the commissioners to spend more time getting to know their employees so that going to the commissioners doesn’t seem so scary.

Dian Welle – Thanked Wayne as he covered most of what she planned to say. Words do matter. Careless words matter more.

Mike Rosedale requested written record of what one of the commenters read into the record.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Clerk: *Lauren Reichenbach*

By  _____
Commissioner Brian Domke, Chair

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Date