



**FIRE DISTRICT #1 JOHNSON COUNTY**  
**33364 W. 191st St.**  
**Edgerton, KS 66021**

**MINUTES -- Board of Directors Monthly Meeting**  
**33364 W. 191st St - Edgerton, KS**  
**July 9, 2024, at 7:00**

A regular monthly meeting of the Fire District #1 Board of Directors was held in person and was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Dave Drovetta.

**The following staff members were present and signed in:**

Fire Chief Trig Morley	Deputy Chief Aaron Winkler
Division Chief Brad Ralston	Division Chief Chris Russell
Battalion Chief Tom Turner	Firefighter Personnel
Ashley Smith, Administrative Services	

**The following guests were present:**

Jim Francis, Johnson County Fire Services Administrator

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and CALL TO ORDER**

The roll being called, it was found to be a quorum of the following members present and participating; to-wit:

David Drovetta, Chairman	Present
Mark Burdolski, Vice Chair	Present
Mike Casey	Present
Brian Walker	Present
Tamela Stockton	Present

**II. AGENDA APPROVAL**

Board Member Mike Casey moved to approve the agenda as presented. Board Member Brian Walker seconded the motion. All present board members voted as; Drovetta, yay, Burdolski, yay, Casey, yay, Walker, yay, Stockton, abstain; the motion carried 4-0.

**III. PRESENTATIONS**

- a. Oath of Office for new Board Member Tamela Stockton.

Ashley Smith, Administrative Services swore in Tamela Stockton as a Board of Directors Member for Fire District #1.

- b. 2023 Audit Presentation - Troutt, Beeman & Co.

Mike Groszek and Brandon Carlson presented the 2023 Audit to the Board. Mike reviewed each of the pages of the audit and the financials. There were no red flag items. Everything looked good.

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Members of the public are welcome to make comments about matters or items on the agenda that are not part of a public meeting. Public members are asked to keep their comments to three minutes. No action will be taken.

No public comments.

#### **V. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. June 11, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Member Brian Walker moved to approve the June 2024 Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Board Member Mike Casey seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

#### **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discuss Fire District #2 Contract

Fire Administrator, Jim Francis plans to bring the contract draft to the next board meeting. No action taken.

#### **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Consider authorizing the publication of a proposed budget for Fire District #1 Johnson County in the amount of \$13,957,786 for fiscal year 2025, notifying the County Clerk of the proposed intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate, and setting a public hearing on the proposed budget for Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 4:00 pm in the Board Room at 33364 W. 191st Street, Edgerton, KS.

Board Member Mike Casey moved to approve the publication of a proposed budget for Fire District #1 Johnson County in the amount of \$13,957,786 for fiscal year 2025, notifying the County Clerk of the proposed intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate, and setting a public hearing on the proposed budget for Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 4:00 pm, in the Board Room at 33364 W. 191st Street, Edgerton, KS. Board Member Brian Walker seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

- b. Special Election for Secretary/Treasurer

Board Chairman Dave Drovetta thanked Keith Johnson for his many years of service to Fire District #1. His volunteer efforts are appreciated.

Board Member Mike Casey nominated Brian Walker for Secretary/Treasurer. Board Chairman Dave Drovetta seconded the motion. All present board members voted as; Drovetta, yay, Burdolski, yay, Casey, yay, Walker, abstain, Stockton, yay; the motion carried 4-0. Brian Walker was elected as Secretary/Treasurer to finish the current term, until December 2025.

Brian Walker delegated duties of minutes recording, and publication of notices to Ashley Smith, Administrative Services.

- c. Consider changing meeting times from 7:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Board Member Mark Burdolski moved to change Board of Directors meetings from 7:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Board Secretary/Treasurer Brian Walker seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

## **VIII. REPORTS**

- a. June 2024 Financial Report

The Fire District budget is at 52.3%.

Board Member Mike Casey moved to approve the June 2024 Financial Report. Board Secretary/Treasurer Brian Walker, seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

- b. Fire Chief Report

Division Chief of Prevention, Brad Ralston reviewed the many tasks and activities that the Prevention division engaged in during the month of June. There were 65 inspections completed, 4 food truck inspections, 19 firework stand inspections, and 4 fire inspections in June. Captain Pete Graham engaged a few young people in the community in the Y-FIT program, (Youth Fire Intervention Team).

Deputy Chief of Operations, Aaron Winkler reviewed the operations division. Year-To-Date there are 2,683 calls. Of those 1,039 were Fire related calls. Throughout June staff participated in several Independence Day celebrations, Frontier Days in Edgerton, and three different PR events for the community. The training for the month was water focused. A week was spent cross-training with Northwest Consolidated Fire Department. As part of the agreement with the Airport Commission, hands-only CPR was taught to their staff.

Fire Chief Morley reported on the completion of the Gardner Chamber of Commerce Leadership program in June. In addition, Fire District #1 hosted a family fun night that allowed staff and their families to socialize. Since the last board meeting, Wyatt Keyes was hired and is now on shift as a new firefighter. A crew was deployed to California for the Shelly fire.

No action taken.

## **IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No action was taken.

- X. ADJOURNMENT - Next Meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2024 at 4:00 pm.**

Board Secretary/Treasurer Brian Walker moved to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Mike Casey seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

**ATTEST:**

**Respectfully submitted by:**

**FIRE DISTRICT #1 JOHNSON COUNTY**

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Ashley Smith, Administrative Services  
Recording Secretary

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Trig Morley, Fire Chief

**The above minutes having been read and considered by the Board of Directors of Fire District #1 Johnson County, and having been found to be correct as written, or with minor changes as shown above, was approved on the 13th day of August 2024.**

**APPROVED by BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**FIRE DISTRICT #1 JOHNSON COUNTY**