

## MINUTES - Board of Directors Monthly Meeting 33364 W. 191st St - Edgerton, KS February 11, 2025, at 4:00 PM

A regular monthly meeting of the Fire District #1 Board of Directors was held in person and was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chairman Dave Drovetta.

#### The following staff members were present:

Fire Chief Trig MorleyDeputy Chief Aaron WinklerDivision Chief Brad RalstonDivision Chief Chris RussellBattalion Chief Rob HudspethFire Shift PersonnelAshley Smith, Administrative Services

#### The following guests were present:

Adam Norris, Johnson County Assistant County Manager Shirley Allenbrand, 6th District Johnson County Commissioner Jim Francis, Johnson County Fire Services Administrator Becky Jones, Johnson County Deputy Director of Financial Management & Administration

#### I. <u>CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u>

A quorum of the following members was present and participating; to-wit:

Dave Drovetta, Chairman	Present
Mark Burdolski, Vice Chairman	Present
Brian Walker, Secretary/Treasurer	Absent
Mike Casey	Present
Tamela Stockton	Present

#### II. APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA

The meeting's amended agenda was presented by Chairman Dave Drovetta. Board Member Mike Casey moved to approve the amended agenda. Vice Chairman Mark Burdolski seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 4-0.

#### III. <u>PRESENTATIONS</u>

# IV. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>

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 comments.

#### V. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

A. January 14, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Member Mike Casey moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Chair Mark Burdolski seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 4-0.

#### VI. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

#### VII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. Consider approving and signing Letter of Engagement with Troutt Beeman & Co., P.C., to perform the 2024 Audit

Fire Chief Trig Morley presented the letter of engagement for Troutt Beeman & Co. to perform the 2024 audit. The estimated fee is \$13,200 which is in alignment with past fees.

Board Member Mike Casey moved to approve and sign Letter of Engagement with Troutt Beeman & Co., P.C., to perform the 2024 Audit. Board Member Tamela Stockton seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 4-0.

#### VIII. <u>REPORTS</u>

A. January 2025 Financial Report

Chief Morley introduced Becky Jones, the Deputy Director of Financial Management & Administration. She presented the new format of the Financial Report with the transition to Financial Management Services. The Fire District Board of Directors appreciated the introduction and the new format's clarity.

Vice Chair Mark Burdolski moved to approve the January 2025 Financial Report. Board Member Tamela Stockton seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 4-0.

B. Departmental Reports

Chief Morley announced the letter of retirement for Battalion Chief Ken Phelps. After 30 years, the service, knowledge and experience of Chief Phelps will be difficult to replace. Operations Chief Aaron Winkler started a Battalion Chief process of promotion. There are three people in the process.

Chief Winkler and Chief Ralston discussed the fatality fire that occurred in January. They commended staff on their efforts during the fire and handling difficult decisions in a timely manner. After Action Reporting was completed with staff. In addition, Chief Winkler and Chief Davis met with Johnson County Sheriff to discuss best practices for fire response and collaboration.

The Board of County Commissioners, sitting as the Board for Fire District #2 received and approved the Resolution to consolidate Fire District #1 and Fire District #2. Then sitting as the Board of Johnson County Commissioners, passed the same Resolution to consolidate.

The month of January brought 542 calls for service. Of those calls, 319 were EMS type calls and 223 were Fire related calls. Crews completed 4 PR Events in January. In addition, 12 business inspections, 19 site inspections, 16 burn permits and 1 blasting permit were completed. Of the 3 fire investigations that occurred, one was the fatality fire. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

No action taken.

## IX. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Board Member Mike Casey moved to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Tamela Stockton seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor of the motion; the motion carried 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm.

#### The next Board meeting will be held March 11, 2025 at 4:00 pm.

**ATTEST:** 

#### **Respectfully submitted by:**

FIRE DISTRICT #1 JOHNSON COUNTY

Ashley Smith, Administrative Services Recording Secretary 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 11th day of March 2025.

APPROVED by BOARD OF DIRECTORS FIRE DISTRICT #1 JOHNSON COUNTY