



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

MINUTES - Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
33364 W. 191st St - Edgerton, KS
March 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 Morley Deputy Chief Aaron Winkler
Division Chief Chris Russell Fire Shift Personnel
Ashley Smith, Administrative Services

The following guests were present:

Adam Norris, Johnson County Assistant County Manager
Julie Brewer, Johnson County 3rd District Commissioner

I. CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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	Present via Phone
Mike Casey	Present
Tamela Stockton	Present

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The meeting's agenda was presented by Chairman Dave Drovetta. Board Member Mike Casey moved to approve the agenda. Vice Chairman Mark Burdolski seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

III. PRESENTATIONS

Fire Chief Trig Morley introduced 3rd District Commissioner Julie Brewer. Commissioner Brewer serves not only as 3rd district commissioner, but also a liaison for the Fire District #1 Board of Directors.

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 comments.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. February 11, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Member Tamela Stockton moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Chair Mark Burdolski seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider approving and signing the updated Memorandum of Agreement between Kansas Forest Service and Fire District #1.

Fire Chief Trig Morley presented both items for New Business. The items are in relation to the on-going Wildland Cooperative that Fire District #1 has with Kansas Forest Service. These agreements are renewed every five years.

Board Member Mike Casey moved to approve and sign the updated Memorandum of Agreement between Kansas Forest Service and Fire District #1. Board Secretary/Treasurer Brian Walker seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

B. Consider approving and signing the updated Memorandum of Agreement Concerning Cooperative Wildfire Response and Dispatch

Vice Chair Mark Burdolski moved to approve and sign the updated Memorandum of Agreement Concerning Cooperative Wildfire Response and Dispatch. Board Member Tamela Stockton seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

VIII. REPORTS

A. February 2025 Financial Report

Division Chief Chris Russell summarized the February 2025 Financial Report and reported it in good standing.

Board Secretary/Treasurer Brian Walker moved to approve the February 2025 Financial Report. Board Member Tamela Stockton seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor; the motion carried 5-0.

B. Departmental Reports

Chief Russell reviewed the revaluation meeting that he and Chief Morley attended with local Fire Departments and the Johnson County Appraisers office. It is the first step in the 2026 budget process.

Chief Winkler reviewed the February calls, listing 454 total calls. Fire call types account for 174 of the calls and EMS type calls accounted for 280 of the calls. Year-to-date the District has had 996 calls. Within two weeks of each other the Fire District staff responded to four major fires. The crews handled the situations incredibly. In addition the CERT team assisted Miami County in searching for a missing person. The Gardner Edgerton High School Cross Country Team requested the Fire District assist with burning their trail for the cross country season. The high school Fire Science program students were able to assist on the burn as well.

Chief Morley gave the Prevention Division report. Fire Marshal Ralston and Captain Inspector Pete Graham attended the IAAI conference in Topeka. This conference provides continuing education and renews their Investigator certifications. Prevention completed 35 inspections, 12 site inspections, 1 food truck inspection, 19 burn permits, 14 plan reviews, 4 new builds, 3 building improvements, 2 additions, 5 plats for new subdivisions and 3 fire investigations. Chairman Drovetta remarked that he rode along with the Prevention Division and was very impressed with their duties. The amount of work associated with their Division is astounding.

Chief Morley gave an update on the the Consolidation with Fire District #2. There have not been any calls from citizens within the district about the Consolidation. He also reminded the Board about Chief Phelps upcoming retirement reception on Friday, March 14th, 2025 at 9:00 am. With Chief Phelps retirement, Captain Bill Templeton was promoted to Battalion Chief, Lt. Joe Barnard was promoted to Captain, and Firefighter Brandon Sattler was promoted to Lieutenant. Kaleb Michael accepted the position of Fire Medic to fulfill the opening that was presented with the promotions.

Life Scan Wellness exams for staff will be conducted March 31-April 10th, 2025. The 2024 Financial Audit will take place the week of April 7th. Our Administrative Services Assistant, Kathy Phillips, has given notice to retire. With the transition to shared services, administrative staff will evaluate the need to fill the position vacancy. The Battle of the Badges Blood Drive will be held April 13, 2025, at Gardner Police Department.

No action taken.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Mike Casey moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chair Mark Burdolski seconded the motion. All present board members voted in favor of the motion; the motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

The next Board meeting will be held April 8, 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 8th day of April 2025.

APPROVED by BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FIRE DISTRICT #1 JOHNSON COUNTY