

**KIOWA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 13, 2020**

The Board of Directors for the Kiowa Fire Protection District met in a regular scheduled meeting on the 13th day of May 2020, with the roll call of members as follows:

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| George Ehalt | Present |
| Ann Alley | Present |
| Debbie Ullom | Present |
| Jim Jerrold | Present |
| Karen Hart | Present |

The Board of Directors convened at 1908 and Chairman George Ehalt called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda:

Ann Alley made a motion to approve the Agenda for May 13, 2020. Jim Jerrold seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Correspondence:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

Debbie Ullom made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire Board Directors meeting minutes of April 8, 2020, as written. Ann Alley seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Approval of Checks:

Debbie Ullom made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire District check #8338 through #8355, and all ACH disbursements as reviewed by the Board. Jim Jerrold seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Public Hearings:

None

Report of Officers, Professional Consultants & Committees:

Fire Chief Gerry Lamansky came before the Board to discuss the following items:

Call Volume: For the past month there were 26 calls. YTD calls for 2020 are 121. In April 2020, the volunteers logged 1823 shift hours for 86 hours per volunteer firefighter. For the 26 responses, there was an average of 2.6 responders per call. Additionally, 38 training hours were logged. Call volume decreased 1% from 2019.

Grants: Chief reviewed the status of grants applied for. An AFG grant is being submitted for new SCBA units. The District will need 24 SCBA's. This grant will be a 2021 budget item.

Communications: The new radios have been installed in the equipment.

Admin/Finance Officer Geri Scheidt came before the Board to discuss the following items:

2019 Audit: A draft of the 2019 audit has been completed and sent to the Board members for review. Geri will send the auditor's contact information to the Board and they may contact Greg Viergutz directly with any questions they have. The adoption of the 2019 audit will be on the June 10th Board meeting agenda.

CARES Act Funding: Geri sent an email to County Manager Sam Albrecht asking the status of the County's application for CARES Act funding and if the Board of County Commissioners has considered how the funds will be disbursed. Geri will continue to follow up on this matter.

Monthly Summary Report: The Board had no questions regarding Geri's monthly summary report that was submitted.

Attorney Bob Tibbals came before the Board to discuss the following items:

Bob recommended that the Board continue with the state of emergency declaration to allow for any possible funding mechanisms.

Bob researched the North Central consolidation matter. The North Central Fire District collects \$44,000 property taxes per year. If the Board want to proceed with a consolidation effort a plan would need to be developed and resolution adopted and then it would go through the election process. Additionally, the Elbert County Board of Commissioners would need to approve an amended service plan. The Board discussed the mutual aid agreement with North Central Fire District in that it does not appear to be mutual any longer. Debbie Ullom made a motion to place North Central Fire District on notice that Kiowa Fire is considering terminating the IGA with North Central Fire District since North Central Fire District is not managing their own district calls and send the notice to all North Central Fire District Board members and taxpayers. Ann Alley seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Bob will review the volunteer pension plan for annuity issues.

ECCA Board Representative Report: Don Ogborn reported that ECCA is working with Verizon to get back surcharges paid.

Volunteer Representative Report: None

New Business:

2020 Board Election Results: Geri reported that the unofficial election results for the Kiowa Fire Protection District election on May 5, 2020, are: Karen E. Hart – 38 votes; Jon McLane Surbeck – 13 votes; Martha Ann Alley – 28 votes; Traci McClain – 9 votes. Canvas process will

be conducted on May 15, 2020. The canvas board members are George Ehalt, Geri Scheidt and Michael Antonini.

2020 Coordinated Election: Geri reported that she received notification from the Elbert County Clerk & Recorder Elections Department requesting if the Fire District was anticipating an election at the November 3, 2020 election. This would be a coordinated election. Notification needs to be sent back to the County no later than July 24, 2020. The Board agreed “no”.

Ambulance Accounts: Outstanding A/R as of 04/30/2020 is \$28,254.92.

Public Comment:

None.

No further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2032 with the next scheduled meeting to commence at approximately 1900 on Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

**KIOWA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
KIOWA, COLORADO**

APPROVED BY:

REVIEWED BY:

ATTEST: SECRETARY

BY: _____
Secretary for the Board of Directors