

**KIOWA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 9, 2020**

The Board of Directors for the Kiowa Fire Protection District met in a regular scheduled meeting on the 9th day of August 2020, with the roll call of members as follows:

George Ehalt	Present
Ann Alley	Present
Debbie Ullom	Present
Jim Jerrold	Present
Karen Hart	Absent-Excused

The Board of Directors convened at 1900 and Chair George Ehalt called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda:

Ann Alley made a motion to approve the Agenda for September 9, 2020, with the amendment to move up the Insurance Proposal by T.Charles Wilson on the agenda under New Business. Debbie Ullom seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

2020/2021 Insurance Proposal: Julie Fitzgerald and Roxanne Fitzgerald with T.Charles Wilson came before the Board to discuss the District's 2020/2021 insurance policy. Items discussed were the annualized premium comparison; property schedule; crime coverage; limits of liability; vehicles and equipment; accident and health and cyber liability. Chief will review the District's inventory and send to T.Charles Wilson. T.Charles Wilson will send a new cyber liability coverage quote for \$1,000,000 coverage.

Correspondence:

Social media responses were given to the Board to read.

Approval of Minutes:

Debbie Ullom made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire Board Directors meeting minutes of August 12, 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 #8393 through #8403, and all ACH disbursements as reviewed by the Board. Ann Alley 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 Gerald Lamansky came before the Board to discuss the following items:

Call Volume: For the past month there were 42 calls. YTD calls for 2020 are 261. In August 2020, the volunteers logged 1376 shift hours for 76 hours per volunteer firefighter. For the 42 responses, there was an average of 3.1 responders per call. Additionally, 65 training hours were logged. Call volume decreased 8% from 2019.

Proposed Developments: Chief reported that there were 6 pre-application meetings held for various proposed developments within the District.

Equipment: Chief reported that the new utility vehicle has been ordered and has a delivery date of December 2020. This vehicle was purchased from Spradley Ford off of the state bid for a price of \$40,959 for the vehicle only. Graphics, lights, etc., will be an additional expense.

Hydrant Testing: Chief reported that the annual hydrant testing for the Town has been completed.

Annual Fire Inspections: Annual fire inspections of local businesses has started and will continue through November.

Fire Deployment: Wildland deployment program is in place with 5 members being deployed, one ambulance, one support vehicle and one staff vehicle. Chief Ogborn review the reimbursement process of this program for the District.

Grants: Fire hose was purchased with the VFA grant in the amount of \$4,331. This was a 50/50 grant. Firefighter Safety & Disease Prevention grant is still pending. Anheuser Bush donated 98 cases of water from a grant that was applied for. El Pomar Foundation awarded a grant in the amount of \$5,000 for wildland PPE. The District received 30 tons of recycled asphalt for use at the Training Center and rear parking lot. No update on the CARES funding application.

Vehicle Replacement Plan: Chief submitted a vehicle replacement plan for the next 10 years.

District Accomplishments: Chief submitted a list of accomplishments that has taken place for the District from September 2012 to September 2020 since he has been the Fire Chief.

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

Preliminary Assessed Valuation: The 2020 preliminary assessed valuation is 47,437,107 which is an increased valuation by 1,940,118. Based on this preliminary assessed valuation, the property tax income for 2021 would be \$412,181 which is an increase of \$16,858 from 2020.

Budget Committee: The Budget Committee will meet on September 20th at 10 am for the first draft of the 2021 budget.

Account: Geri represented the credit application with O'Reilly Auto Parts for the Board's review and approval to open an account with them. Ann Alley made a motion to open an account with O'Reilly Auto Parts for the Fire District. Debbie Ullom seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

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:

Training Center Zoning: Bob reported that the District's Training Center is zoned PL which is public use and is a use by right; therefore, there is no issue with the District using this property for a Training Center.

Volunteer Reimbursement: Bob is amending the volunteer reimbursement policy with regards to training costs and reimbursement if a member does not fulfill their commitment to the District.

ECCA Board Representative Report: Bob reported that the PUC is developing a method of what state charges are going to be for 911.

Volunteer Representative Report: The volunteer membership donated the Conex boxes for the new Training Center to the District to add to the building/property inventory. These Conex boxes were purchased with funds from the Colton Mason Memorial Fund that the volunteer membership received.

New Business:

Ambulance Accounts: Outstanding A/R as of 8/31/2020 is \$39,171.17.

Public Comment:

None.

No further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2103 with the next scheduled meeting to commence at approximately 1900 on Wednesday, October 14 , 2020.

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

APPROVED BY:

REVIEWED BY:

ATTEST: SECRETARY

BY: _____
Secretary for the Board of Directors