

**KIOWA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 14, 2022**

The Board of Directors for the Kiowa Fire Protection District met in a regular scheduled meeting on the 10th day of August 2022, with the roll call of members as follows:

Debbie Ullom	Present
Ann Alley	Present
Karen Hart	Present
Jim Jerrold	Absent-Unexcused
Andrew Koldeway	Present

The Board of Directors convened at 1901 and Chair Debbie Ullom called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda:

Andrew Koldeway made a motion to approve the Agenda for September 14, 2022, with the addition of water line under New Business. Ann Alley seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Correspondence:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

Ann Alley made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire Board Directors meeting minutes of August 10, 2022, as written. Andrew Koldeway seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Ann Alley made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire Pension Board meeting minutes of August 10, 2022, as written. Karen Hart seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Approval of Checks:

Ann Alley made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire District check #8682 through #8687 and all ACH disbursements as reviewed by the Board. Andrew Koldeway seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Public Comment:

None.

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 47 calls. YTD calls for 2022 are 357. In August 2022, the volunteers logged 1264 shift hours for 70.22 hours per volunteer firefighter. For the 47 responses, there was an average of 3.1 responders per call. Additionally, 76 training hours were logged. Call volume increased 23% from 2021.

Grants: Chief reported that the District was denied the grant in the amount of \$36,000.00 for Personal Protection Equipment. The review panel stated that \$17 million was requested and they only had \$5 million to award. Additionally, they stated that since the majority of our PPE gear was under 10 years old, the request was not a priority.

A second round of VFA grant funding was approved by the state. Chief would like to apply for a \$10,000 grant with a 50% match to purchase wildland gear. Ann Alley made a motion to approve the VFA grant application in the amount of \$10,000 with a \$5,000 match for wildland gear. Andrew Koldeway seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Chief reported that he has not received any news on the SCBA Regional Grant.

Vehicles/Apparatus: Chief reported that the 1989 Beck engine sold for \$1,368.00.

Training: Mike Welk, Dustin Wenz, Adam Erway and Ethan Dunlop started EMT School in September.

Monthly Chief Report: The Board had no questions regarding Chief's monthly report.

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

Volunteer Pension Fund: Geri spoke with Pam Feely regarding the Volunteer Pension fund trust document. FPPA stated that they do not have the Trust document. Pam was going to check the State Archives for this document but no response has been received from her. Bob Tibbals will check with State Archives on this document.

FPPA Summit: Geri attended the FPPA Summit on September 7th. This meeting reviewed the current pension plans and new plans that will be offered beginning January 1. A breakdown of all this information will be sent out October 1st.

Short-Term/Long-Term Disability: Geri received a quote on short-term/long-term disability for full-time staff from the Public Sector Health Group. Geri is researching to see if the Accident/Health policy the District has through T Charles Wilson covers any of this. The District currently pays the 3.2% for the full-time employees through FPPA as a benefit.

Certification of Valuation: Geri received the first certification of valuation for the District. The new assessed valuation is \$52,971,320. This is an increase of \$729,821 from last year's valuation

of \$52,241,499. The property tax revenue is estimated at \$460,268 for 2023. This is an increase of \$6,342 in property taxes. Budget meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 26, 2022 at 4:00 pm.

2023 Property/Casualty Insurance Renewal: Geri reported that the invoice for the 2023 renewal for property/casualty, cyber liability, AD&D was received in the amount of \$16,959.00. T. Charles Wilson is sending an amended premium to reflect the sale of the 1989 Beck Engine. It is anticipated to have the new invoice by the end of September.

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 reported that the social media complaint regarding EMS services has been withdrawn.

ECCA Board Representative Report: Bob Tibbals reported that ECCA has completed their preliminary budget. The PUC request to increase 911 surcharges from \$1.80 to \$2.25 has been submitted and expect a decision in January with the increase to be effective February 1, 2023. The Kiowa Fire District's dispatch fee for 2023 is \$737.00. ECCA is pursuing a lease/purchase in the amount of \$500,000 for the radio replacement project.

Volunteer Representative Report:

None.

Unfinished Business:

FAMLI Program: Geri discussed having a public hearing to discuss the FAMLI program to make a decision at the December 14th Board meeting. The Board agreed to hold a public hearing on this matter for the December 14th Board meeting.

Full-Time Employee Position: Chief Lamansky received one internal application for the open FF/Paramedic position.

New Business:

Ambulance Accounts: Outstanding A/R as of 8/31/2022 with WIBS is \$63,649.55; 0-30 days is \$23,943.89; 31-60 days is \$6,759.12; 61-90 days is \$4,494.33; 91-120 days is \$5,754.45; 121-150 days is \$2698.00 and 151+ days is \$19,999.76. Quick Med Claims are \$97,394.53.

Water Line: Debbie Ullom reported that the County gave a presentation to the Kiowa Water & Wastewater Authority Board on their project for the new Road & Bridge facility. The KW&WA required the County to install a vault on the south side and the north side of Hwy 86. Debbie asked if the Fire District would be willing to pay for the installation of a valve and tee by the Training Center. The cost for the parts and labor is estimated at \$10,000. Andrew Koldeway made a motion to approve the installation of a valve and tee at the Training Center up to \$10,000

to be paid from impact fees. Ann Alley seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Public Comment:

None.

No further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1944 with the next scheduled meeting to commence at approximately 1900 on Wednesday, October 12, 2022.

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

APPROVED BY:

REVIEWED BY:

ATTEST: SECRETARY

BY: _____
Secretary for the Board of Directors