

**KIOWA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
April 12, 2023**

The Board of Directors for the Kiowa Fire Protection District met in a regular scheduled meeting on the 12th day of April 2023, with the roll call of members as follows:

Debbie Ullom	Present
Andrew Koldeway	Present
Karen Hart	Absent-Unexcused
Lee Montgomery	Present
Mitch Sturm	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 April 12, 2023, with the additions of Board meeting time & non-District members in District vehicles. Mitch Sturm seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Correspondence:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

Andrew Koldeway made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire Board Directors meeting minutes of March 8, 2023. Lee Montgomery seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Approval of Checks:

Andrew Koldeway made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire District check #8723 through #8731, and all ACH disbursements, as reviewed by the Board. Mitch Sturm seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Public Comment:

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 52 calls. YTD calls for 2023 are 125. In March 2023, the volunteers logged 1420 shift hours for 70 hours per volunteer firefighter. For the 52

responses, there was an average of 3.1 responders per call. Additionally, 46 training hours were logged. Call volume 1% decrease from 2022.

Grants: Chief reported that the Safety Disease grant was denied. First announcements on the AFG grant award will begin May-June.

Cardiac Monitors: Chief reported that the new cardiac monitors have arrived and are in service. Chief has applied for the grant reimbursement on these monitors. Also discussed was selling the old Zoll monitors. Andrew Koldeway made a motion to declare the old Zoll monitors salvage/surplus and sell to the highest bidder. Lee Montgomery seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Foam Buyback: Chief reported that the State of Colorado purchased the old fire rated foam that the District had in the amount of \$7,000. This foam was replaced with \$3,000 of new foam.

Equipment: Chief presented a request to purchase a decked drawer system, cargo glide and topper for the 2008 Ford F250 to modify it into a rescue truck. The estimated cost of this project is \$8,000. Debbie Ullom made a motion to authorize the modification of the F250 truck to a rescue truck up to \$8,000 and use impact fees for the project. Lee Montgomery 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 further questions on the Chief's monthly report.

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

2023 Election: Geri reported that the Notice of Election has been advertised in the Ranchland News and posted on the District website. Michael Antonini and Sue Scott have been appointed as election judges. Both of these individuals are registered electors in the State of Colorado and reside in El Paso County. Geri is working on scheduling the election judge training for the election judges.

2022 Audit: Geri reported that the field portion of the 2022 took place on March 24th and a draft of the 2022 audit has been sent to the Board.

CO EMS Supplemental Payment Cost Report: Geri reported that she submitted answers for the CO EMS Supplement desk review and they have additional questions that she will be answering. Geri requested a copy of the inventory of all District equipment that needs to be included with this report.

District Bank Account: Geri reported that she opened another Colotrust bank account for Capital Equipment and transferred \$75,000 from the operating account into that account. Additionally, \$145,000 was transferred from the operating account into the Colotrust savings account to reduce the amount of money in the operating account as well as the higher interest rate the District receives on the Colotrust accounts. These transactions were approved by the Board Chair and Board Treasurer.

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:

Office of Civil Rights Letter: Bob presented the letter from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights (OCR) regarding the complaint filed against Kiowa Fire District by Barbara Smith alleging that the District violated HIPPA rules. OCR determined to resolve the matter through provision of technical assistance to the District and has closed this case without further action. The Board approved by consensus for Bob to respond to the letter from OCR.

ECCA Board Representative Report: Bob reported that ECCA's radio replacement program will be on a first-in/first-out basis.

Volunteer Representative Report:

None.

Unfinished Business:

Board Meeting Time: The Board discussed at the March meeting to change the start time of Board meetings at 6pm instead of 7pm. Mitch Sturm made a motion to start Kiowa Fire Board meetings at 6pm beginning with the May 10th meeting. Andrew Koldeway seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Non-District Members in District Vehicles: The Board discussed non-district individuals riding in District vehicles. The Fire District's insurance policy covers non-district members if they are riding in a vehicle and an accident occurs.

New Business:

Ambulance Accounts: Outstanding A/R as of 3/31/2023 is \$53,147.59. The breakdown is: 0-30 days – \$36,752.99; 31-60 days - \$9,418.64; 61-90 days - \$2,764.00; 91-120 days - \$0.00; 121-150 days - \$760.00; 151+ - \$3,451.96.

Public Comment:

None.

No further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2030 with the next regular scheduled meeting to commence at approximately 1800 on Wednesday, May 10, 2023.

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

APPROVED BY:

REVIEWED BY:

ATTEST: SECRETARY

BY: _____
Secretary for the Board of Directors