

**KIOWA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
November 8, 2023**

The Board of Directors for the Kiowa Fire Protection District met in a regular scheduled meeting on the 8th day of November 2023, with the roll call of members as follows:

Debbie Ullom	Present
Andrew Koldeway	Present
Karen Hart	Present
Lee Montgomery	Present
Mitch Sturm	Present

The Board of Directors convened at 6:00 pm.

Approval of Agenda:

Andrew Koldeway made a motion to approve the Agenda for November 8, 2023. 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:

Karen Hart made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire Board Directors meeting minutes of October 11, 2023. Mitch Sturm seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Karen Hart made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire Board of Director Special meeting minutes of October 23, 2023. Andrew Koldeway 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 #8782 through #8788 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:

Kim Welk, Mike Welk & Michelle Johnson joined the meeting via Zoom, but had no public comment.

Report of Officers, Professional Consultants & Committees:

Fire Chief Gerald Lamansky submitted his Chief report on the following items:

Call Volume: For the past month there were 41 calls. YTD calls for 2023 are 504. In October 2023, the volunteers logged 873 shift hours for 36 hours per volunteer firefighter. For the 41 responses, there was an average of 2.1 responders per call. Additionally, 44 training hours were logged. Call volume 13% increase from 2022.

Meeting with Elbert Fire District Board: The Board discussed the need to have a meeting with the Elbert Fire District Board of Directors in January 2024. Bob Tibbals will work on getting the meeting scheduled.

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:

Member Handbook: Geri completed the changes to the Member Handbook per the October 23rd Special Board meeting. The review of the language for the handbook is under New Business.

SIPA: Geri applied for 15 email addresses under the new website hosting; however, the .gov domain needs to be in place first and there is a pause on new requests for .gov domain until January 2024. SIPA will notify applicants when they open for new requests.

Budget Public Hearing Notice: Geri reported that the public hearing notice for the 2024 budget adoption will be advertised for December 13, 2023. The Budget Committee will meet again in December once the final assessed valuation certified by the County Assessor has been received to have final budget numbers for presentation.

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:

Proposition HH: Bob discussed that Proposition HH ballot measure did not pass. The Governor has called for a Special Session to begin November 17th to draft new bills regarding property assessment rates.

Performance Reviews: Bob discussed that performance reviews for Chief Lamansky and Geri Scheidt need to be completed at the December meeting. Chief Lamansky requested his review on the open record and Geri Scheidt chose Executive Session for her performance review.

ECCA Board Representative Report: Bob reported that ECCA will adopt their final budget at the December meeting. ECCA is moving forward with communication improvement projects and the Douglas County Dispatch Agreement is in line with ECCA's budget.

Volunteer Report:

No report.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Ambulance Accounts: Outstanding A/R as of 10/31/2023 is \$74,438.97. The breakdown is: 0-30 days – \$34,534.58; 31-60 days - \$6,018.27; 61-90 days - \$8,404.73; 91-120 days - \$7,587.30; 121-150 days - \$7,032.73; 151+ - \$10,861.16. Tier 1 Billing - \$2,500 for 5 calls in October.

Quick Med Claims Accounts: Chief reported that WIBS collected \$11,152.43 from the list of ambulance claims filed by Quick Med Claims that was turned over to the District when billing companies changed. The balance of the billing collection at the time Quick Med Claims turned over the accounts was \$95,374.35. WIBS has done everything that can be done to collect the remainder of \$84,221.92 which is uncollectible. The Board directed Bob Tibbals to pursue collection claim of \$84,221.92 from Quick Med Claims on these accounts.

Member Handbook: The Board reviewed discussed changes to the Member Handbook from the October 23rd Special Meeting. The Board agreed for Geri to add a few more changes and submit to the Board and Attorney for review and adoption at the December 13th Board meeting.

Impact Fees: The Board discussed a property in the District that has not paid their impact fees. The Board directed Bob Tibbals to file a lien on the property to collect impact fees owed.

Public Comment:

None.

No further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 pm with the next regular scheduled meeting to commence at approximately 6:00 pm on Wednesday, December 13, 2023.

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

APPROVED BY:

REVIEWED BY:

ATTEST: SECRETARY

BY: _____
Secretary for the Board of Directors