KIOWA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING September 10, 2025

The Board of Directors for the Kiowa Fire Protection District met in a regular scheduled meeting on the 10th day of September 2025, with the roll call of members as follows:

Present

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Lee Montgomery Kim Welk Karen Hart Jay Vier

Mitch Sturm Absent-Excused

The Board of Directors convened at 6:00 pm.

Approval of Agenda:

Karen Hart made a motion to approve the Agenda for September 10, 2025. Jay Vier seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Approval of Minutes:

Karen Hart made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire Board Directors meeting minutes of August 13, 2025. Jay Vier 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 Pension Board meeting minutes of August 13, 2025. Jay Vier seconded the motion. The roll having been called, the Chair declared the motion unanimously carried and so ordered.

Correspondence:

None.

Approval of Checks:

Karen Hart made a motion to approve Kiowa Fire District check #8908 and approve all ACH disbursements as reviewed by the Board. Kim Welk 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 48 calls. YTD calls for 2025 are 362. In August 2025, the volunteers logged 578 shift hours. For the 48 responses, there was an average of 2.1 responders per call. Additionally, 78 training hours were logged. Call volume 4% decrease from 2024.

Monthly Summary Report: The Board had no questions regarding the Chief's report that was submitted.

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

Bob reported that the check for the Quick Med Claims settlement has been received and the matter is now closed.

Colorado General Assembly's special session passed 11 bills, none of which affected property taxes or special districts.

Bob noted that Xcel Energy has not yet served the Elbert County with any legal action and negotiations are ongoing to avoid a lawsuit.

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

Work Comp Insurance for 2026: Geri received notification that the underwriters at 7710 Insurance require a minimum premium of \$20,000 for work comp policies and Kiowa Fire District does not meet that threshold.

Public Sector Health Insurance Renewal – 2026: Geri completed the District's 2026 health insurance benefit renewal that was due by October 1st, which sets the Open Enrollment window for FTE from October 27th through November 24th. Public Sector Health Care Group will contact FTE employees who carry health insurance through them directly.

Assessed Valuation: The Elbert County Assessor certified the certification of valuation for the taxable year of 2025 at \$75,268,874. Previous year assessed valuation was \$69,839,998. This is an increase of \$5,428,876.

Budget Committee: Budget Committee is scheduled to meet on September 14th to complete the preliminary budget for presentation at the October 9th Board meeting.

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

Volunteer Report: No report

ECCA Board Representative Report:

Bob Tibbals reported that Jim White advised that the state DTRS process would bill radio users between \$100 and \$300 per radio and recommended that the District budget for DTRS payments.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Ambulance Accounts: Outstanding A/R as of 08/31/25 is \$94,844.24. The breakdown is: 0-30 days – \$23,633.68; 31-60 days - \$13,450.57; 61-90 days - \$10,881.29; 91-120 days – \$5,777.65; 121-150 days - \$5,071.50; 151-180 days - \$8,135.00; 181+ - \$27,894.55. There are 26 accounts in collections that total \$33,319.73.

Public Comment: None

No further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 pm, with the next regular scheduled meeting to commence at approximately 6:00 pm on Thursday, October 9, 2025.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Lee Montgomery, Chair

ATTEST: SECRETARY

Secretary for the Board of Directors