



# Fire District No.1, County of Leavenworth

111 East Kansas Avenue, Lansing, KS. 66043

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Minutes  
August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

## Call to Order:

Attendance: Board Members Present Rob Gaslin, Dan Butler, Dave Nester, and Andi Pawlowski.  
Notification of amendment to agenda with no objections to the amended agenda  
Minutes of the July 18<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting were read and approved.

## New Business:

Chairman opened the floor public comments for regular business. No public requested to be heard.  
The floor was closed.

## Treasure's Report:

As of July 31<sup>st</sup>, we've received 90% of tax revenue.  
Payroll approximately 6.8% below straight-line expenditures  
Non-Payroll approximately 3.1% below straight-line expenditures

## Fire Chief's Report:

July run report provided and discussed.  
1 SFF out on medical  
4 full time open positions  
Captain Asmus had his CFI certifications decertified in 2017 by the State Fire Marshals Office  
Officers' meetings will take place every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday before training.  
Firefighter I/II course finished, and students are awaiting test results.  
SFF Mackey and Chief Stackhouse will be taking Part II of the CFI 10/23/23-11/03/23.  
Chief Stackhouse will be instructing Haz-Mat refresher and CPR renewal in the next couple of weeks.  
Station 2 repairs will be performed by staff once the heat subsides.  
Command 569 had a manifold leak repaired.

## Items for Discussion:

Chairman Gaslin read Resolution 2023-002 for the public in its entirety  
Intent to Exceed Revenue Neutral Discussion opened to the public.  
-Councilman Clemons spoke as a taxpayer concerned about exceeding revenue neutral  
-Rick Rikers stated he agreed with the words of councilman Clemons

Dave Nester made the following motion: "I move that we adopt Resolution 2023-002 to levy a property tax rate exceeding the revenue neutral rate". The motion was second by Andi Pawlowski. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

2024 Budget Hearing opened to the public for discussion. No public wished to speak at the hearing so public comment was closed.

Discussion took place about the proposed 2024 budget between board members.

Chairman Gaslin explained that both the revenue neutral and budget were placed in the Leavenworth Times on 7/25/23 per requirements of Kansas statute.

A motion was made by Andi Pawloski as follows: I move to adopt the published 2024 budget for Fire District No. 1. Dave Nester second the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the proposed/published 2024 budget was adopted.

Captain Gates made a presentation on the management of the training program.

## Executive Session:

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Motion was made and passed to go into Executive Session for 45 minutes.

Motion was made and passed to go back into open session.

No motions made during executive session.

**Open Session:**

A motion was made to hire Angel Leon as a full-time probationary firefighter.

A motion was made to terminate firefighter O'Connell.

**Trustee Concerns:**

Copies of the 2022 audit were handed out and Chairman Gaslin requested that Andi, Dan, and Dave provide the copy to their appropriate represented entity.

Chairman Gaslin acknowledged the presentations to the city council have ended.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting September 19, 2023

Rob Gaslin, Chairman

Attest:

Michael Stackhouse, Fire Chief