



# Leavenworth County Fire District #1

111 East Kansas Street, Lansing, KS 66043

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Minutes  
September 21, 2021

## Call to Order:

Attendance: Board Members Rob Gaslin, Andi Pawlowski, Dave Nester, Dan Butler, and Greg Fontenot.

Chairman Gaslin asked for approval of August 24, 2021, Regular Meeting minutes. Andi Pawlowski made a motion to approve the minutes and Dave Nester second the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Chairman Gaslin provided an update on the ongoing lawsuit between the city and townships. The Kansas Supreme Court has granted the petition to review the previous lower court findings. Chairman Gaslin reminded everyone not to focus on the lawsuit and carry on as usual. He said the KSC review was healthy in that there is a legitimate conflict between Kansas statutes and contract law.

Chairman Gaslin asked for hearing of the audience and recognized there was nobody from the public present at the meeting.

## New Business:

### Reports:

**Treasure's Report:** David Nester provided the treasurers report. Dave indicated that we are below straight-line budget on both payroll and non-payroll expenditures. Chairman Gaslin informed everyone that there will be movement on the KMIP soon.

**Fire Chief's Report:** Chief Stackhouse provided a performance report for the month of August. Dave Nester asked if the EMS protocol change has affected the run volume. Chief Stackhouse advised that it has made some noticeable change but nothing major.

Chairman Gaslin asked for a summary of the EMS protocol changes that were made. Chief Stackhouse explained that the nuisance calls have been eliminated and the response now should be considered an emergency response. Greg Fontenot had questions about the mutual response with EMS and how runs are triaged/dispatched. Chief Stackhouse explained that the immediate triage takes place at Leavenworth County dispatch by asking questions and applying the answers to protocols.

Chairman Gaslin questioned the need for new extrication equipment given that our call volume only reflects a couple of runs. Chief Stackhouse explained that while the call volume is small it is necessary for us to be able to perform the task or face extreme liability and public scrutiny.

Chairman Gaslin asked about electrical short circuit calls and what falls into the category. Chief Stackhouse explained the call type and differentiation between an electrical fire and a building fire.

Greg Fontenot asked about the assisted living and nursing home responses. Chief Stackhouse and Captain Gates explained that there was minimal response to those locations.

Chief Stackhouse explained that the overlapping incidents continues to happen. The frequency seems to be very high.

Andi Pawlaski inquired about a county commissioner meeting video discussing a proposed subdivision and water flow requirements. Chief Stackhouse explained that there are Code requirements that have been relayed to the County Planning and Zoning. Current water infrastructure is being discussed. There was additional discussion on the International Building Code and the International Fire Code and the requirements of the county. Chairman Gaslin had some more questions about how Chief Stackhouse interacts with the County about such matters. Chief Stackhouse explained the process of plan review with the county and that correspondence is done by email.

Dave Nester had questions about the burn permit process in the county. Chief Stackhouse explained the process and the current issues with the process.

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Greg Fontenot asked if we will be going into schools for presentations this year. Chief Stackhouse stated that we are contacting and intending to go to all that will have us.

Chief Stackhouse noted a company cookout to take place on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Board members are invited to the cookout.

Chief Stackhouse announced the addition of two volunteer firefighters: Alexis Thomas, and Stokely Rosser.

Firefighter 1&2 class continues Monday and Wednesday evenings.

**Items for Discussion:**

Captain Gates gave a presentation on his trip to FDIC (Fire Department Instructor Conference) and how it benefited his duties as the Training Officer.

Captain Gates gave a presentation on Vector Solutions and its use to date.

**Executive Session:**

Chairman Gaslin explained the need to move to a Closed Executive Session and asked for a motion to do so.

Andi Pawlowski made a motion as follows: I move that the Board go into a Closed Executive Session to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4139(b)(1) for a period of 45 minutes, and that the Board resume Open Session at 8:43 P.M. The motion was second by Dan Butler and passed 5-0.

Chairman Gaslin asked for a motion to return to Open Session. Andi Pawlowski made a motion to return to Open Session and Dan Butler second the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Chairman Gaslin explained that we returned from Executive Session to Open Session and that no policy decisions were made, and no votes were called.

**Trustee Concerns:**

Dan Butler stated that the matters discussed in Executive Session need to be resolved as soon as possible.

Chairman Gaslin re-advised the group that movement will take place soon on KMIP.

Chairman Gaslin asked for a motion to adjourn. Andi Pawlowski made a motion to adjourn and Greg Fontenot second the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Rob Gaslin, Chairman

Attest:

Michael Stackhouse, Fire Chief