

SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL

The Board of Directors of the Kearney Fire & Rescue Protection District met in regular session via Zoom at 6:30 P.M. on January 18, 2021. Members present were Todd Gustafson, Dale Ahle, Kim Murphy, Ted Jacques and Mike Maher. Also participating were Chief Pratt, Deputy Chief Desautels and Bobby Higgins.

Chairman Gustafson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Director Murphy to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2020 meeting and the consent agenda which included paid bills and unpaid bills. Director Maher seconded. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Report: Attached

Director Murphy moved to adopt Section 3. Donation of Sick Leave Days #10.3.2 as presented. Motion was seconded by Director Jacques and carried.

Chief Pratt reviewed amendments to the 2020 Operating budget. Discussion followed. Proposed amendments included: Account #7520 Personnel Salaries, increase of \$60,000; #7990 Physicals, increase of \$4,000; #6740 Work Comp, increase of \$3,500; #6710 Health Insurance, increase of \$4,500; #6990 Deferred Comp, increase of \$2,600; #7360 Radio Lease, increase of \$3,000; and #7340 Rescue Equipment, increase of \$3,000. Director Murphy moved to approve amendments as presented. Motion was seconded by Director Ahle. Motion carried.

Chief Pratt reviewed the proposed 2021 Operating budget. Discussion followed. Director Maher moved to adopt the budget as presented but include \$260,000 as Lagers expense and review/adjust at a later date. Motion was seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried.

Chief Pratt reviewed the 2021 Debt Service budget. Discussion followed. Director Maher moved to approve as presented. Motion was seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried.

Director Murphy made a motion to accept the 2020 Novak Birks PC audit proposal and authorize Chief Pratt to execute agreement. Motion was seconded by Director Jacques and carried.

Chief Pratt opened discussion regarding emergency roof repair. After much discussion, it was agreed that additional information was necessary and the issue was tabled.

Chief Pratt opened discussion regarding the hardship request included in the meeting packet. Discussion followed. Director Murphy moved to approve the request based on the provided documentation. Director Maher seconded; motion carried.

Deputy Chief Desautels gave a Covid update.

Next regular meeting date was set for Monday, February 15, 2021 at 6:30 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Chairman Gustafson adjourned the meeting.

Approved: _____ Attest: _____
Todd Gustafson, Chairman Rhonda Fort, Secretary