

The Board of Directors of the Kearney Fire & Rescue Protection District met in regular session at the Kearney Fire Station, 201 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, at 6:45 P.M. on April 19, 2010. Members present were Todd Gustafson, Mike Maher, Chastain Parks, Richard Logerwell and Kim Murphy. Chief Pratt and Deputy Chief Pratt were also present.

Director Gustafson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Director Maher to approve the consent agenda for the meeting. Consent agenda included the following items: minutes of the March 15, 2010 regular meeting, March 22, 2010 special meeting, paid bills and unpaid bills. Director Logerwell seconded the motion. Motion carried. Director Murphy made a motion that the March 15 minutes reflect that the low bid was not selected and the reasons behind the selection. Director Maher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Report: Attached

Chief Pratt reported that he had met with Rich Birks of Novak Birks regarding the 2009 audit. A draft of the audit report was provided to each director for review. Mr. Birks will attend the May meeting with a full report.

Director Murphy reviewed the proposed SOG changes and his recommendations for changes which mostly covers consistency throughout the document. Discussion followed. Director Murphy moved to approve the proposed SOG changes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Director Maher. Motion carried.

Chief Pratt updated the Board on the negotiating session held on March 30, 2010 with Directors Maher and Logerwell and the local bargaining unit regarding the health and dental insurance renewal. Director Maher made a motion to rescind the prior approval. Motion was seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried. Director Maher made a motion to adopt the original proposal by Chief Pratt for the employee contribution for health and dental insurance to increase to \$254 per month for employees and family, \$150 per month for employee and spouse, and \$118 per month for employee and children only. Motion was seconded by Director Gustafson. Motion failed with two votes for and three votes against. Director Logerwell made a motion to increase the employee portion of health and dental insurance to \$279 per month for employee and family, \$175 per month for employee and spouse, and \$143 for employee and children only. Director Murphy seconded. Motion carried with three votes in favor and two votes against.

Director Gustafson opened the bids received for the surplus SCBA compressor. One bid was received from Air One Compressor Systems for \$2,575.00. Discussion followed. Director Murphy moved to accept the bid received from Air One Compressor and was seconded by Director Parks. Motion carried.

Chief Pratt presented the April 6 bond election results which passed with 61.23% yes votes. He also thanked the F.I.R.E. Committee, Local 42, and Dennis and Amy Schleining for their efforts to get information to the public. Scott Crist with UMB Bank has requested a special meeting on June 7, 2010 for the purpose of selling the bonds. Motion to approve the April 6 bond election results was made by Director Logerwell and seconded by Director Maher. Motion carried. Discussion followed regarding re-issuance of bonds and long term plan.

Chief Pratt reminded the Board that the FFAM Convention is this weekend and asked David Pratt for an update. David reported that there are approximately 400 registered to attend; 40 trucks participating in the parade and approximately 35 vendors scheduled with half a dozen displaying trucks. Chief Pratt requested authorization to spend up to \$1500 on convention expenses. Director Maher made a motion to approve Chief's request. Motion was seconded by Director Parks. Motion carried.

Director Gustafson requested postponing the executive session scheduled for the discussion of Chief Pratt's evaluation to May. Discussion followed. Director Logerwell made a motion to schedule an executive session for the purpose of discussion of Chief Pratt's evaluation to the May 17 meeting. Motion was seconded by Director Maher. Motion carried.

Next regular meeting date was set for Monday, May 17, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. An executive session is planned for discussion of Chief Pratt's evaluation.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, motion was made by Director Maher and seconded by Director Parks to adjourn. Motion carried.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Todd Gustafson, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rhonda Fort, Secretary