

**SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL**

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 6:30 P.M. on August 15, 2016. Members present were Todd Gustafson, Mike Maher, Ted Jacques, Dale Ahle and Kim Murphy. Chief Pratt, Deputy Chief Pratt and Fire Marshal Fort were also present.

Chairman Gustafson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Director Maher to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2016 meeting and the consent agenda which included paid bills and unpaid bills. Director Jacques seconded. Motion carried.

Director Murphy made a motion to add residency clarification to certain administrative positions as a New Business item. Director Ahle seconded. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Report: Attached

Chief Pratt informed the Board that the 2009 brush truck is out of service and needs a new engine and the Med unit that was just in the body shop has debris in the air conditioner.

Chief Pratt presented the 2016 tax levy information. The public hearing was opened for comments by Chairman Gustafson; there being no comments, hearing was closed. Director Maher made a motion to approve setting the 2016 general levy at .5135; the ambulance levy at .2817; and the dispatch levy at .0298. Motion was seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried. Director Maher moved to approve setting the debt service levy at .0887 and was seconded by Director Murphy. Motion carried.

Director Murphy made a motion to table Ambulance and Mileage Charges Review to the September meeting; motion seconded by Director Ahle. Motion carried.

Director Murphy informed the Board that the website indicates and past practice has been to have a residency requirement for certain administrative positions but the SOG does not contain such language. Discussion followed. Director Murphy made a motion to conform the residency requirement in the job descriptions of the SOG 110.01, Job Description – Fire Chief; 110.02 Job Description – Deputy Chief – Operations – Training – EMS – Training – EMS Director; 110.031, Job

Description – Assistant Chief – Volunteer; 110.030 Job Description – Fire Marshall to include the language “If not a resident at the time of hiring, the Board of Directors may grant a reasonable period of time for relocation to the District”. Director Ahle seconded; motion carried.

Next regular meeting date was set for Monday, September 19, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. Agenda items will include ambulance and mileage charges review.

Chief Pratt announced his plans to retire at the end of this year. Chairman Gustafson read the press release.

Director Murphy moved to adjourn to executive session pursuant to RSMo Section 610.021 (1), (3), and (9) to discuss personnel or legal matters. Motion was seconded by Director Jacques. Roll call vote was taken; Gustafson, yes; Maher, yes; Jacques, yes; Ahle, yes; Murphy, yes. Meeting was adjourned to executive session at 6:57 p.m. Executive session was for the purpose of discussion only, no action was taken. The meeting was re-opened to the public at 7:30 p.m. following a motion by Director Maher and seconded by Director Murphy. Roll call vote was taken; Gustafson, yes; Maher, yes; Jacques, yes; Murphy, yes; Ahle, yes.

Director Murphy moved to retain the services of Jeanie Lauer of The Management Edge to conduct the search and interview process for the Fire Chief position. Director Ahle seconded; motion carried.

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

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Todd Gustafson, Chairman Rhonda Fort, Secretary