

# Shawnee County Fire District #1

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Silver Lake, Kansas 66539

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The Board of Trustees of Shawnee County Fire District #1 met in regular session at Silver Lake City Hall on Wednesday, December 12, 2012, with the following board members present: Chairman Mike Killion, Gene Wichman, Leonard Wonnell, and Walt Stolle. Tom Noble was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board reviewed the minutes of the meeting held November 14, 2012. It was moved by Wichman, and seconded by Wonnell, to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried 4-0.

Board reviewed the bills paid during the month of November totaling \$33,607.96. It was moved by Wonnell, and seconded by Wichman, to approve the bills paid. Motion carried 4-0.

Chief Hawkins reported the number of 2012 calls to date as 247. As of this date in 2011, 302 calls had been reported.

## Old Business:

Proposed Menoken Fire Station: The Fire district closed on the 3 acre property at KSNT on November 29<sup>th</sup>. A building committee has been formed among Department members.

Truck replacement: Chief advised it is still under consideration.

False alarms at PTMW: Chief advised there have been 19 false alarms in the district this year. All have been at PTMW. Their response is the problem is caused by Topeka water system. We have \$2,560.00 in expenses this year. Chief is going to meet with them.

## New Business:

Agreement for Automatic Aid with Soldier Township: Chief presented an agreement that calls for automatic response from Soldier Township into the area of our district east of Humphrey Road, and our response to the area of their district west of Topeka Blvd. when a structure fire is dispatched.

There was a motion by Wichman and second by Wonnell to enter the agreement. Motion carried 4-0.

SCBA Compressor failure: Chief advised the compressor needs rebuilt or replaced do to mechanical failure. The estimate to make the repairs is \$3,636.59. Replacement quote is \$21,290, plus about \$3,000 for installation. Killion made a motion to have the unit repaired. Wonnell seconded the motion, which carried 4-0.

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## SCBA Maintenance program:

Jim Yette and Roger Foster recently attended a class to become certified SCBA technicians. They are requesting up to \$3,000.00 to begin an air pack maintenance program. The cost included the required annual calibration by the manufacturer, an upgrade to the current software, and special tools required. This will allow them to flow test our equipment yearly and after any needed repairs. We currently are paying approximately \$1,560.00 each year to outside vendor for flow testing. Soldier Township has made a verbal commitment to split the cost of initial investment and yearly fee with us.

Wonnell made a motion to approve up to \$3,000.00 for SCBA Air Pack Maintenance Program. Motion was seconded by Wichman, and carried 4-0.

## School Report:

Chief shared a report written by a student about the Chief for a school project.

## Executive Session:

Killion made a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel for a period of 30 minutes. Motion was seconded by Wonnell, and carried 4-0. Executive session began at 6:52.

At 7:22, Killion made a motion to continue executive session for 20 minutes. Wonnell seconded the motion, which carried 4-0.

Executive session ended at 7:42, and the meeting resumed.

Killion made a motion to approve the following bonus payments to volunteers:

\$75.00 for persons who attended 80 percent of training sessions;

\$35.00 for persons who attended 50 percent of training sessions;

\$25.00 for persons attending less than 50 percent of training sessions, and the following for paid employees:

Chief Hawkins, \$100.00, Bonnie Gauntt, \$100.00, five part-time employees, \$50.00 each. The motion was seconded by Wonnell, and carried 4-0.

Killion made a motion to increase the hourly rates of Chief Hawkins to \$22.65, Bonnie Gauntt to \$16.23, and part-time employees to \$12.25. The motion was seconded by Wonnell and carried 4-0.

Stolle made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Wichman and carried 4-0.

Killion thanked Stolle and Wichman for their service to the board, as both are leaving after the first of the year.