

MINUTES - Johnson County Consolidated Fire District No. 1 Advisory Board
33364 W. 191st Street, Edgerton, KS
February 5, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

A regular monthly meeting of the Johnson County Consolidated Fire District No. 1 Advisory Board was held in person and was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Dave Drovetta.

The following staff members were present:

Johnson County Fire Administrator Jim Francis
Fire Chief Trig Morley
Assistant Chief Chris Russell
Deputy Chief of Operations Aaron Winkler

A quorum of the following members was present and participating:

Dave Drovetta, Chairman	Present
Mike Casey, Vice Chairman	Present, via Zoom
Brian Walker	Present
Jim Pruetting (City Administrator Gardner)	Present
Lane Massey (City Administrator Spring Hill)	Present
Don Roberts (Mayor of Edgerton)	Present

Introductory comments were made. It was noted for the record that the six advisory members had been sworn in.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made and seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

There were no prior minutes to approve.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Election of Officers

Chair: Mike Casey nominated Dave Drovetta as Chair. There were no other nominations. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Chair: Dave Drovetta nominated Mike Casey as Vice Chair. There were no other nominations. Motion carried unanimously.

Bylaws Discussion and Approval

- Bylaws are based on county templates with minor variances specific to this board.
- Appointed and elected members may serve as long as they hold their qualifying office or appointment.
- If an appointed member vacates, the City Administrator may fill the role by default.
- The bylaws will mirror resolution language regarding term eligibility.

Motion to approve the Bylaws as amended: Moved by Don Roberts, seconded by James Pruetting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Location, Time, and Frequency

Motion to hold regular meetings at 33364 W. 191st Street, Edgerton, KS on the first Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

Moved by Brian Walker, seconded by James Pruetting. Motion carried.

The board agreed to meet monthly and re-evaluate as needed. The next meeting will be March 5th. Mike Casey advised he will still be in Arizona and will need to attend via Zoom.

Agenda Format

- Department reports and communications will follow New Business.
- Financials will be a separate agenda item.
- Financial reports will be presented for information only unless action is required.

Legal Support and Training

- Ethan Brown introduced himself and offered legal support and training.
- Training regarding KORA/KOMA will be scheduled for March or April. This should take approximately 30 – 60 minutes.

Reports

Administrative Report – Jim Francis

- Consolidation transition is progressing well.
- Insurance is being moved to a single provider and broker.
- Briefing sheets will be standardized.
- Capital Improvement Plan update forthcoming.

- Working with budget office regarding cash purchases.
- Policy revisions will take additional time.

Operations Report – Aaron Winkler

- 2025 totals: 5,741 calls, up almost 10% from 2024. 2026 YTD: 467 calls.
- Completed three fire burn days at academy, partnered with Olathe.
- 1/28 significant house fire call with lots of obstacles, house was a total loss. Hazards included propane and possible ammunition. The family reached out to Chief Morley to express appreciation of effort and how well they worked.

Fire Chief Morley Report –

Transition:

- Seamless consolidation January 1.
- No response time impacts and no effected service.
- Weekly accountability meetings.

Staffing:

- Three additional positions in 2026 budget.
- Five new hires graduated onboarding.
- First hires from consolidated district.
- Successful outside recruitment.

Training Capacity:

- Three certified live fire instructors.
- Live burns with Class A materials.

Capital Improvement:

- CIP merged from two districts.
- Spring review planned.

Board Comment:

Chair Provetta welcomed new members and stated change is positive.

Adjournment

Motion by James Pruetting, seconded by Brian Walker.

Meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.