



Fire District 1
Steering Council Meeting

7750 N. Wyandotte Way
 Park City, KS 67147
 316-660-3473

July 25, 2024

Fire District 1 Attendees: Fire Chief Doug Williams, Chief Kevin Nelson

Fire District 1 Steering Council Attendees: Jim Benage /Bel Aire, Russ Lowen/Goddard, Susie Sutton/Haysville, ***Vacant***/Maize, Katie Bowen/Park City, Jeff Witherspoon/Member at Large #2 SCAC, ***Vacant***/Member at Large #4 Aircraft Manufacturing, Carl Amerine/Member at Large #1 Unincorporated Area, Katy Jackman Tyndell/Member at Large #3 Unincorporated Area

Special Guests: Lindsay Poe Rousseau and Rusty Leeds

- I. **Call to Order: Chairman Carl Amerine at 1803**
- II. **Roll Call**

<u>Steering Council</u>	
Carl Amerine	Present
Katy Jackman Tyndell	Present
Jim Benage	Not Present
Russ Lowen	Present
Susie Sutton	Present
Katie Bowen	Present
Jeff Witherspoon	Present*
<i>Vacant</i>	
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*arrived 1809 and left at 1903

- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Event:	Meeting Minutes
Motion:	Carl Amerine
Second:	Susie Sutton
Carl Amerine	Aye
Katy Jackman Tyndell	Aye
Jim Benage	Absent

Russ Lowen	Aye
Susie Sutton	Aye
Katie Bowen	Aye
Jeff Witherspoon	Absent
Vacant	
Vacant	

V. Chief Financial Officer Lindsay Poe Rousseau – County Manager’s Proposed Budget

VI. Fire Chief Update – Fire Chief Doug Williams

i. Fire Chief proposed 2% scale adjustment to all ranks in addition to 3% step increases

VII. 2025 Fire District Budget discussion

i. Motion in favor of a resolution to support the manager's budget as drafted, with the exception of adding a 2% structural adjustment to base pay for the Fire District. In addition, we would like to recommend the inclusion of a forecasted five year reduction in the mill levy.

Event:	2025 Fire District Budget
Motion:	Katy Jackman Tyndell
Second:	Russ Lowen
Carl Amerine	Aye
Katy Jackman Tyndell	Aye
Jim Benage	Absent
Russ Lowen	Aye
Susie Sutton	Aye
Katie Bowen	Aye
Jeff Witherspoon	Absent
Vacant	
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ii. Motion to have the chair draft a letter in support of the resolution we just passed, and providing our rationale for such, as well as requesting any relevant forecasts or additional information to further our discussions which we will finalize and send to the fire board before July 31 2024.

Event:	Chair Draft a Letter
Motion:	Katy Jackman Tyndell
Second:	Susie Sutton

Katy Jackman Tyndell	Aye
Jim Benage	Absent
Russ Lowen	Aye
Susie Sutton	Aye
Katie Bowen	Aye
Jeff Witherspoon	Absent
Vacant	
Vacant	

VIII. Meeting Adjournment

Event:	Meeting Adjournment
Motion:	Carl Amerine
Second:	Russ Lowen
Carl Amerine	Aye
Katy Jackman Tyndell	Aye
Jim Benage	Absent
Russ Lowen	Aye
Susie Sutton	Aye
Katie Bowen	Aye
Jeff Witherspoon	Absent
Vacant	
Vacant	

Meeting adjourned at 1958

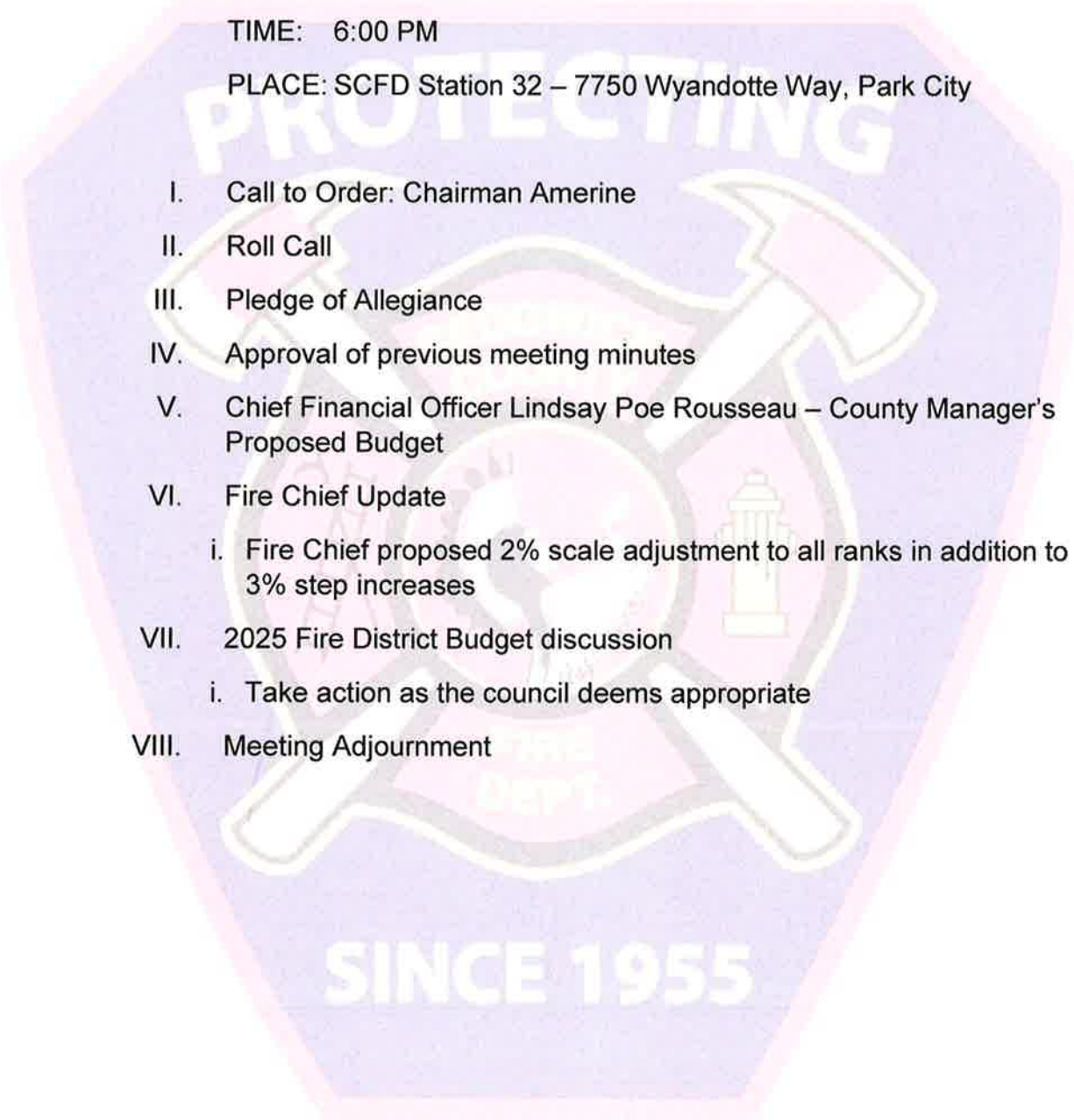
Agenda

Sedgwick County Fire District 1 Steering Council

DATE: Thursday, July 25, 2024

TIME: 6:00 PM

PLACE: SCFD Station 32 – 7750 Wyandotte Way, Park City

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- I. Call to Order: Chairman Amerine
 - II. Roll Call
 - III. Pledge of Allegiance
 - IV. Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - V. Chief Financial Officer Lindsay Poe Rousseau – County Manager's Proposed Budget
 - VI. Fire Chief Update
 - i. Fire Chief proposed 2% scale adjustment to all ranks in addition to 3% step increases
 - VII. 2025 Fire District Budget discussion
 - i. Take action as the council deems appropriate
 - VIII. Meeting Adjournment

2025 Fire District 1 Recommended Budget



Background

- Historic concerns about FD1 solvency resulted in budget actions. Held positions vacant/unfunded. Eliminated step plan, tied pay raises to County pay raises with minimal structure movement.
- 2022 budget – 2% GPA + Commission added 2% on budget adoption day. Gallagher study initiated.
- 2023 budget – implementation of step plan; phase 1 of early station relocation payoff
- 2024 budget – implementation/adjustment to move to 15-step plan; phase 2 of early station relocation payoff; add training officer and fleet mechanic; \$4.3 million contingency



2025 Rec changes vs. 2024 Budget

Expenses

- Fully fund 3% step (\$415k)
- Add 6.0 FTE Firefighters to offset overtime (\$40k)
- Add funding for Advanced Medical Provider Pay (\$59k)
- Restore 6 Lieutenant positions to Captains (\$28k)
- Increase in admin charges (\$144k)
- Add funding to pay Fire-only property insurance (\$90k)
- Updated vehicle replacement plan (\$500k)

Revenues

- Capture ~ 4% of assessed value increase and reduce mill levy rate to 17.000 mills (\$1.0 million)



2025 Rec changes vs. 2024 Budget



Category	2024 Revised	2025 Recommended	% change
Personnel	\$18,375,107	\$19,733,229	7.4%
Contractuals*	\$6,092,265	\$6,971,301	14.4%
Debt Service	\$1,525,569	\$2,061,502	35.1%
Commodities	\$981,936	\$1,004,768	2.3%
Equipment	\$386,600	\$370,000	-4.3%
Interfund Transfers	\$979	\$0	-100.0%
Total:	\$27,362,456	\$30,140,800	10.2%

*Includes Contingency of \$4,300,000 in 2024 and \$5,000,000 in 2025

Fire District #1 Forecast

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Fire District Long-Term Financial Forecast								
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8	Select Fund: SC01240							
9	Select Cmnt Item: SC01COMMITITEMLSTRT							
10	Select Fund Center: SC01FUNCARHIER							
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12	2024 Budget Mill Levy Rate: 17.883							
13	Proposed Mill Levy Rate:							
14	Assessed Value Assumptions:							
15	Recommended Pay Pools:							
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116								

Cmnt Item	Commitment Item Desc	2025 Estimate	2026 Estimate	2027 Estimate	2028 Estimate	2029 Estimate
SC01COMM	Surplus/Deficit	543,650	400,275	(23,142)	20,706	183,229
	Expenditures	25,199,627	26,138,561	27,389,256	28,196,068	28,907,757
	Revenues	25,743,277	26,538,836	27,366,114	28,216,773	29,090,986

2025 Recommended Budget

Sedgwick County	\$563,444,425
Fire District 1	\$30,140,800

Total **\$593,585,225**

Property tax rates are estimated to be **28.659 mills** for Sedgwick County and **17.000** for Fire District 1



Next Steps in the Budget Process

- **Recommended Budget online** at sedgwickcounty.org
- **Online public forum** now through August 19 at 5 p.m.
- **First public hearing** – July 31 at 6 p.m.
- **Second public hearing/revenue neutral rate hearing** – August 21 at 9 a.m.
- **Budget adoption** – August 21 at 9 a.m.



Questions?

