

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2021-7

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KIOWA COUNTY, KANSAS, REGARDING THE LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE AND OPERATION OF THE KIOWA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners desire to establish a defined structure for the leadership and operation of the Kiowa County Fire Department.

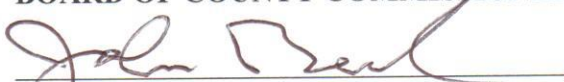
WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KIOWA COUNTY, KANSAS, that the Board of County Commissioners of Kiowa County, Kansas find and order as follows:

1. That the Kiowa County Fire Department's leadership shall consist of the County Fire Department Chief, Deputy Chief, and 3 Captains. The Deputy Fire Department Chief will also serve as one of the 3 Captains.
2. That the County Fire Department Chief shall be nominated by the members of the County Fire Department for approval by the Board of County Commissioners.
3. That the 3 Captains will each be nominated by members of their home station for approval by the Board of County Commissioners.
4. That the Deputy County Fire Department Chief shall be nominated by the members of the County Fire Department, from among the 3 Captains, for approval by the Board of County Commissioners.
5. Any vacancy in the position of County Fire Department Chief, Deputy Fire Department Chief or Captain shall be filled as described above.
6. In the event of a vacancy in the position of County Fire Department Chief, the Deputy County Fire Department Chief shall serve as the acting County Fire Department Chief until the vacancy has been filled.
7. That the County Fire Department Chief, and in the absence of the County Fire Department Chief, the Deputy Chief, shall be responsible for the regular operations of the County Fire Department.
8. The Chief, Deputy Chief and the Captains shall confer with each other regarding budget requests, substantial expenditures, the approval of new members of the County Fire Department, and the dismissal of members of the County Fire Department.
9. The County Fire Department will comply with the County procurement policy when making expenditures.

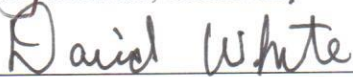
10. Applicants seeking to become a member of the County Fire Department shall apply with the Chief, Deputy Chief, or one of the Captains. The Chief, Deputy Chief and the Captains shall confer regarding the applicant with final approval of the applicant for the County Fire Department resting with the County Fire Department Chief. If an applicant is approved the Chief shall promptly notify the County Clerk and direct the applicant to go the County Clerk's office to execute all necessary documents.
11. The County Fire Department Chief shall have final authority to remove and dismiss members of the County Fire Department.
12. The authority to remove the County Fire Department Chief, Deputy County Fire Chief and the Captains shall reside with the Board of County Commissioners.
13. Any member of the County Fire Department desiring to resign from the County Fire Department shall provide written notification of such to the Captain of their home station or the Chief and shall promptly notify the County Clerk of such resignation.

Passed and adopted this 20th day of September 2021

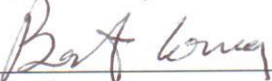
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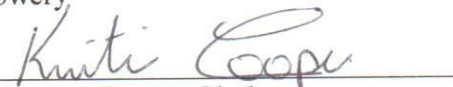
John Bertram, Chairman,



David White, Vice-Chairman



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Attest 
Kristi Cooper, County Clerk