

**MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF
JOHNSON COUNTY CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
For Revision of FY2026 Budget Mill Levy
August 25, 2025**

The Special Board Meeting of the Consolidated Fire District No. 2 Governing Board was held at Corinth Library, 8100 Mission Rd., Prairie Village, KS. Persons in attendance:

BOARD MEMBERS

Richard Boeshaar, Chairman
John Hunkeler, Vice Chair
Tim Janssen, Treasurer
Lesa Patterson-Kinsey, Secretary
Laura Carey
Sarah Sanders
Susan McGee

STAFF

Fire Chief Steve Chick
Deputy Chief Mike Morse
Training Chief Mike Morgan
Division Chief Travis Thompson
Fire Marshal Todd Kerkhoff
Battalion Chief Doug Gibson
Battalion Chief James Lamb
Kelly Kuhl

GUESTS ATTENDING:

John Martin – CPA, Higdon and Hale
Bob Shaffer – IAFF Local 1371
Becky Fast – Johnson County Commissioner 1st District
Janee Hanzlick – Johnson County Commissioner 4th District
Robin Symes – Johnson County Budget and Financial Planning

Chairman Richard Boeshaar called the Special Board Meeting to order at 5.05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Bob Shaffer, President of IAFF Local 1371, spoke on the behalf of the members of CFD2, expressing concern with the revisions to the CFD2 FY2026 budget.

Commissioner Fast made comments regarding the FY2026 budget process and KOMA/KORA.

Robin Symes provided information on the data that the office of Budget and Financial Planning uses to compile annual budget reports.

Commissioner Hanzlick made comments regarding the budget process.

NEW BUSINESS:

Budget Discussion and Approval

Chairman Boeshaar remarked on the proposed FY2026 budget. He stated that, over the past several years, CFD2 has been able to decrease or keep the mill levy steady by spending down some of its reserves. At the August 20 CFD2 Board of Trustees Budget Hearing, a budget was proposed that would raise the mill levy slightly, in order to replenish reserves to prepare for future capital needs as well as to help cover greatly increased operating costs. After receiving feedback from the BOCC, a revised budget is now being proposed that will keep the mill levy steady at 10.008 for FY2026. Discussion followed.

Chief Chick provided further information on the proposed budget, with revisions. Discussion followed.

MOTION: John Hunkeler moved to adopt Resolution No. 2025-3 approving the FY2026 budget for Johnson County Consolidated Fire District No. 2 as proposed with a maximum budget of \$24,296,375 for FY2026, which includes all CFD2 cash assets, debt service, and the operational budget, and is projected to generate a Mill Levy at 10.008 for 2026. This includes a one-time transfer to Capital Reserve of \$1.6 million, in addition to the annual budgeted transfer, to enhance the health of the District and support the required Capital needs expressed in the Capital Improvement Projections. Susan McGee seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Chick asked the Board about a request they had made for credit card detail reports. Discussion followed. The Board asked if they could be provided with a 3 month look back and monthly reports going forward.

Sarah Sanders commented on the budget process and requested additional training be provided to the CFD2 Board on both the budget process and on KOMA/KORA.

Commissioner Fast remarked further on the budget process and a plan to provide additional training for the CFD2 Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Boeshaar adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.



Richard Boeshaar, Chairman



Lesa Patterson-Kinsey, Secretary