

**WESTERN EMERGENCY SERVICE AREA
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 11, 2025
18:00 HOURS**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Dawson Slaughter called the meeting to order at 19:08 hours.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Member, Mark Ball led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Dawson Slaughter, Seat B; Mark Ball, Seat C; Katherine Covey, Seat D; Janice Nofziger, Seat E

Staff Members Present: Jon Marsh, Chief; Rob Mathis, Deputy Chief; Cassie Parkinson, FF Tech/ Acting Secretary;

Absent:

Visitors: KPB Attorney, Sean Kelley; KPB Deputy Attorney, Todd Sherwood

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Discussion: None.

___K Covey___/ ___M Ball___ moved and seconded to approve the Agenda, as written.

___4___ Yes, ___0___ No, ___0___ Absent Motion Passed

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES, Regular Board Meeting, February 26, 2025.

Discussion: None

___K Covey___/ ___M Ball___ moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2025 Regular Board Meeting as written.

___4___ Yes, ___0___ No, ___0___ Absent Motion Passed

PUBLIC COMMENTS UPON MATTERS ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

Comments:

None

REPORTS

A. Chief's Report ~ Jon Marsh, Chief:

Key Points: Essentially the same as last meeting. Fire Instructor class started yesterday. The Support Firefighter class is completed. Firefighter 1 began at last week at KESA. EMT Instructor is scheduled for this spring.

The previous 12 months' EMS billing collection rate through January 2025 is 69%. \$384,517.93 total charges for the year. \$212,874.74 in payments, with pending charges of \$73,316.18.

2025 Calls for Assistance: 120 YTD, with 22 calls since last meeting.

Board Member, Mark Ball asked how many personnel did we get from the Support Firefighter Class. 3 complete, and one of those is in the Firefighter 1 Class.

Chief noted to the Board that a Budget Packet was put into their Board Packet for tonight. This is the packet that Finance is forwarding to the Mayor for our budget meeting. There are two budgets included in this. One is without any added positions and one is with the 3 added positions approved by the Board.

B. Deputy Chief's Report ~ Grants:

No changes to report since last meeting. We are in a holding pattern right now, just waiting to see what happens with FEMA grants.

C. SREMSC / KPESI Report ~:

None.

PENDING BUSINESS & FOLLOW-UP FROM LAST MEETING

A. No Pending Business

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Forestry 2025 AOP(annual operating plan): the AOP between WES and Forestry is updated annually to reflect new/removed equipment and staffing lists for us and monetary values for Forestry. The majority of the operating plan does not change. There was discussion of the Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement, as well. The CPFA is believed to be a 5 year agreement. The AOP is coming in a little early this year, due to the weather and Forestry is predicting an early fire season, so they are spooling up early.

___K Covey___/ ___M Ball___ moved and seconded to approve the 2025 Annual Operating Plan between WES and SOA Division of Forestry, as presented.

___4___ Yes, ___0___ No, ___0___ Absent Motion Passed

INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL

Expense report
Chief's Report
Deputy Chief's Grant Report
Forestry 2025 AOP

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

BOARD COMMENTS

Seat A; Vacant: No comments

Seat B; Chair, Dawson Slaughter: Thank you for coming out to attend the meeting.

Seat C; Vice Chair, Mark Ball: Appreciate the training provided by Borough Legal. It is good information to know.

Seat D; Katherine Covey: No comments.

Seat E; Janice Nofziger: No comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Discussion: The next regularly scheduled meeting is set for April 9th. This meeting will be at Station 3 in Anchor Point. Are there any scheduling conflicts?

Wednesday, April 9th, 2025 will be the next scheduled meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

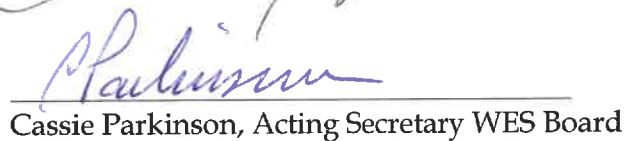
Chairman, Dawson Slaughter adjourned the meeting at 19:15. Thanking all for their attendance.



Dawson Slaughter, Board Chair

04/09/2025

Date Approved



Cassie Parkinson, Acting Secretary WES Board

04/09/2025

Date Approved