

# Fire District 1 Steering Council Meeting

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## August 07, 2025

<u>Fire District 1 Attendees:</u> Chief Doug Williams, Fire Marshal Brad Crisp, Deputy Chief Kevin Nelson, Deputy Chief Ray Hensley, and Clerk Janelle Davey

<u>Fire District 1 Steering Council Expected Attendees:</u> Jesse Miller/Bel Aire, Russ Lowen/Goddard, Susie Sutton/Haysville, *Vacant*/Maize, Katie Bowen/Park City, Jeff Witherspoon/Member at Large #2 SCAC, BJ Bryant/Member at Large #4 Aircraft Manufacturing, **Vacant**/Member at Large #1 Unincorporated Area, Katy Jackman Tyndell/Member at Large #3 Unincorporated Area

Special Guests: Chairman Ryan Baty

#### **Overview of Discussions:**

The meeting began with a roll call and approval of previous meeting minutes.

Chief Williams provided an update on the Shared Training Center and that more discussion will be ongoing. Overtime was reported as excessive by a commissioner but in fact the payroll department cannot determine the overtime due to a 56-hour work week. As overtime is factored into the standard work week and what was reported as overtime, was in fact straight time. The only way to accurately report overtime is what we call "Call Back Staffing" (CBS) and that is a significant drop since the last academy graduated in May. We reduced the callback staffing by 3,430 hours from 6,250 in 2024 to 2,820 in 2025.

Fire Board Chairman Ryan Baty reported that the budget adoption will be taking place August 20<sup>th</sup> then after that happens, we will address the issue of training grounds and a training officer. As a member of the Fire Board, who is the only person living in the actual Fire District, it is imperative that we continue incentivizing the firefighters to be paramedics again to aid with public safety. With that said, Mutual Aid Agreements will need to be readdressed as those in the Fire District are paying taxes while those who do not pay taxes are receiving the benefit of fire personnel showing up in their moments of crisis.

Chief Williams discussed the benefits of having an ISO class 2 rating for their geographical area, despite the challenges posed by the new ISO evaluation process, which now requires detailed training records and response data. He highlighted the impact of these changes on volunteer departments like Valley Center and Clearwater, which may struggle to meet the new standards.

Williams also mentioned the importance of mutual aid agreements and how they affect ISO ratings and insurance costs. Additionally, he noted ongoing efforts to improve community engagement by updating fire department information on local websites.

## I. Call to Order: Chairman Katy Jackman Tyndell at 1801

#### II. Roll Call

<b>Steering Council</b>	Roll Call
Katy Jackman Tyndell	Present
Jeff Witherspoon	Present
Katie Bowen	Absent
BJ Bryant	Present
Russ Lowen	Arrived 1803
Jesse Miller	Present
Susie Sutton	Present
Vacant	
Vacant	

## III. Pledge of Allegiance

## IV. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Event:	Previous Meeting Minutes
Motion:	BJ Bryant
Second:	Susie Sutton
Katy Jackman Tyndell	Aye
Jeff Witherspoon	Aye
Katie Bowen	Absent
BJ Bryant	Aye
Russ Lowen	Arrived after vote
Jesse Miller	Aye
Susie Sutton	Aye
Vacant	
Vacant	

## V. Fire Chief Update

- i. Shared Training Center
- ii. Overtime Comparison
- iii. Academy Training Officer

- iv. Quint 35 Final Inspection
- VI. Fire Board Chairman Ryan Baty
- VII. Meeting Adjournment

Event:	Meeting Adjournment
Motion:	Russ Lowen
Second:	Jeff Witherspoon
Katy Jackman Tyndell	Aye
Jeff Witherspoon	Aye
Katie Bowen	Absent
BJ Bryant	Aye
Russ Lowen	Aye
Jesse Miller	Aye
Susie Sutton	Aye
Vacant	
Vacant	

Meeting adjourned at 1932