

Kimberly Fire Commission Meeting

September 21, 2020

Minutes

Roll Call:

Jason Weber Jim Hermus
Rick Weyenberg Ken Schultz
Bob Van Thiel – Fire Chief

Josh Young - Absent

I. Call to Order

- a. Meeting called to order by Chairman Weber at 6:01pm

II. Call Review

- a. Fire chief reviewed the 30calls for service for the past quarter

III. New Business

- a. Fire Department Update – things are going well with COVID – 19. The updates to the garage were completed and the new outdoor electronic sign were completed. Commissioners had a tour of those after the meeting.
- b. EMR Update – There are 6 active members as EMRs. Since August 1 they have responded to 45 calls.

IV. Staffing

- a. Fire Chief – Chief Van Thiel submitted his intent to retire from the department effective January 1, 2021. Chief Van Thiel began his service on the fire department in April 1983 and was named fire chief on Feb. 1, 2005.

A discussion was held and decided to post the chief's position internally with the following timeline to fill the position:

1. Oct. 5 – Oct. 16 - accept applications
2. Oct. 19 – commission meet to review applications and prepare for interviews
3. Oct. 26 – interview candidates
4. Nov. 2 – second interview if needed

V. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:49pm. MOTION: Jim Hermus, second Rick Weyenberg – all approved.