RESOLUTION NO. 2025-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS DECLARING THE NEW BOUNDARIES OF RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NO.1 OF LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, KANSAS.

- WHEREAS, Rural Fire District No. 1 of Leavenworth County, Kansas ("Fire District No. 1") was formed in 2003 by the Board of County Commissioners of Leavenworth County, Kansas ("County") under K.S.A. 19-3601 et. seq, the Fire Protection Act; and
- **WHEREAS**, The Fire District No. 1 was comprised of the City of Lansing, Delaware Township, and High Prairie Township; and
- **WHEREAS**, the County, the City of Lansing, Delaware Township and High Prairie Township all entered into an Interlocal Agreement under K.S.A. 12-2901, et. seq., the Interlocal Cooperation Act; and
- WHEREAS, the County delegated all of the governing powers of Fire District No. 1 to a board of trustees in the Interlocal Agreement under K.S.A. 12-3612a, and the Interlocal Agreement set forth the terms and conditions governing the joint operation and management of the Fire District; and
- WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement was terminated on December 31, 2024, and the County became and constituted the governing body of Fire District No. 1 under K.S.A. 19-3601 on January 1, 2025; and
- WHEREAS, K.S.A. 19-3604(b) sets forth the process for the alteration of a fire district and;
- **WHEREAS**, the City of Lansing was detached from Fire District No. 1 on March 12, 2025 and new boundaries of Fire District No. 1 were declared on April 23, 2023 to include only Delaware Township and High Prairie Township; and
- WHEREAS, Delaware Township was detached from Fire District No. 1 on March 19, 2025 and new boundaries of Fire District No. 1 were declared on April 30, 2024 to include only High Prairie Township; and
- WHEREAS, on February 6, 2025 the County received a sufficient petition from High Prairie Township pursuant to K.S.A. 19-3604(b) for the alteration of Fire District No. 1, and seeking the exclusion of High Prairie Township from Fire District No. 1; and
- WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 2025-12 on March 26, 2025, detaching High Prairie Township from Fire District No. 1 and finding that the petition submitted by High Prairie Township was sufficient and conformed as near as may be possible to the petition required for the organization of the fire district; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Resolution 2025-12 was published in the Leavenworth Times for two consecutive weeks on March 29, 2025 and April 5, 2025 as required by K.S.A. 19-3604 and the 30-day period for a protest petition has passed with no such petition being filed.

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, KANSAS SITTING IN REGULAR SESSION DOES **HEREBY RESOLVE:**

- 1. That the High Prairie Township is detached and removed from the boundaries of Fire District No. 1 thereby resulting in Fire District No. 1 having no remaining territory within its jurisdiction; and
- 2. That this Resolution and the attached map of the new boundaries shall be published in the manner required by K.S.A. 19-3604.

Staff is authorized and directed to prepare and publish the statutory notices and prepare all other necessary and appropriate documentation to accomplish the alteration and declaration of the new boundaries of Fire District No. 1.

ADOPTED the 7th day of May, 2025.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEAVENWORTH COUNTY, KANSAS

Mike Smith, CHAIR

Jeff Culbertson, MEMBER

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