



Kenton County Fire Chief's Association

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Chairman: Chief Paul LaFontaine

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Meeting Minutes – Held on 01/15/2026. The meeting was held at the Crescent Springs Fire Dept.

Chairman Paul LaFontaine called the regular meeting to order at 11:59 hours and led the attendants with the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL: All were present except Ft. Wright and KCHSEMA.

MINUTES: Motion to accept the November 2025 meeting minutes as published by S. Breeze and seconded by J. Schleue. Motion passed.

GUESTS: KCECC, P. See, UC, St. Elizabeth, AirEvac, ARC, T. Camp and Chris Amon(NKFA).

Chief Amon spoke on behalf of Chris Black and the 2029 KFA convention and urged our people to join this fine organization and to support the future fundraisers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AIR TRUCK: T. Dickman reported. 1 run for December 2025. Department serviced was Ft. Wright.

FIRE INVESTIGATION: No report.

BUDGET: No Report.

BYLAWS: No report.

HSEMA: No report.

MUTUAL AID: R. Dreyer reported. Upcoming meeting to be held, especially regarding the bridge project.

RADIO: N. Russell reported. LINK layering project in progress.

Specific Talkgroups are being developed like the River group. More to come.

January 27, 2026 Campbell County will come on our CAD.

Members of the committee visited the Lexington communications center to observe an IP based station alerting system.

A motion by M. Steward and second by C. Hopple to move forward with the purchase and implementation of an IP based station alerting system.

Covington Car 9 will be the ALS supervisor on shift and Car 7 will be the Inspector.

TRAINING: T. Morgan reported that some IFSAC certifications, beyond the already known basic fees, will have a fee for both written and practical. These fees will be specific class dependent, not across the board. The Fire Commission will be sending out an email shortly with the pertinent information.

TRAINING FACILITY: N. Russell reported progress. The State training grant was completed and submitted for approval before the deadline. Progress on the remaining underground work continues.

EMS: UC – Respiratory season is here. Protect yourself. When giving pre-notifications to the ER please give the actual vital signs. February 25, 2026 is the spring symposium in Lebanon, Ohio. March 24, 2026 is the AirCare conference at Receptions in Erlanger, Ky.

St. Elizabeth – EMT class registration is out now. Monthly online training continues.

AirEvac – New helicopter is in service with new loading system.

KAPA – February 3, 2026 will be EMS day in Frankfort if you wish to attend.

TREASURER: P. LaFontaine reported. Motion by S. Breeze and seconded by M. Steward to approve the December 2025 report and pay the bills as submitted. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: EMS grant to be submitted to pay for the Pass with Pass continuing educational program.

Chairman LaFontaine opened the nomination for Officers of the Association for a 2 year term.

A motion was made by M. Steward and seconded by N. Russell that all officers remain the same.

Nominations will be opened again at the February meeting before a final vote is taken.

GOOD and WELFARE: S. Rigney has several standpipe wheels if anyone is interested get with him after the meeting.

KCECC is back in their normal quarters after being re-located to the EOC while building improvements were completed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by S. Breeze and second by M. Steward. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 hours.

Next meeting will be held on February 19, 2026 and will be held at the Ryland Heights Fire District.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert T. Dreyer