Ordinance No. 1792

AN ORDINANCE OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS, AMENDING ARTICLE 2. FIRE DEPARTMENT, OF THE CHAPTER VII. FIRE, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WAMEGO, KANSAS:

Section 1. Paragraphs 7-201, 7-204, 7-205 and 7-207 of Chapter VII. Fire, of the Code of the City of Wamego, Kansas be and the same are hereby amended to read as follows:

"7-201. Composition; Appointment. The City Manager shall appoint a Chief of the Fire Department, and all members of the Department including the Chief shall elect up to three (3) Assistant Chiefs of the Fire Department and make appointments of such other firefighters of the city, with approval of City Manager. The City Manager may designate two members of the Fire Department as fire inspectors, upon the recommendation of the Chief of the Fire Department. The members of the Fire Department shall have such duties as shall be prescribed by the ordinances of the city and shall receive compensation as approved by the governing body. 7-204. Assistant Chief(s); Duties. The Assistant Chief(s) of the Fire Department in seniority order, in the absence of the Chief thereof, shall have full responsibility and charge of the operation of the Fire Department and fire apparatus of the city, and shall be responsible to the City Manager for the discharge of his or her duties hereunder.

7-205. Members of Fire Department; Eligibility. Members of the city's Fire Department, designated as firefighters, shall be residents of the city or persons residing within five miles of the city, unless approved by the City Manager. No person shall be appointed a city firefighter unless he or she is of good health and sound in mind and body. A membership policy is voted on by the Chief and members and approved by the City Manager.

7-207. Discipline. (a) Any subordinate officer or firefighter of the Department may be disciplined in accordance with the membership policy. All firefighters shall be required to remain active according to the membership policy.

Section 2. That all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication in the City's official paper, The Times, Pottawatomie County.

The above and foregoing Ordinance passed and adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Wamego, Kansas, this 2nd day of May 2023.

Thomas W. Beem, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shanda Jahnke, City Clerk