

Jefferson Co fire district changes remain under review

(KAIR)--A request for the Jefferson County Commission to intervene in the allegation that fire districts are not handling their own calls was made Monday.

The request was made by Kentucky Township Fire Fighter Conley Feaster, who, during the weekly meeting of the Commission, asked that the County leaders arrange a meeting with the Township/Fire Boards to discuss what Feaster says is the problem of other county-based fire districts not handling their own calls.

According to the unofficial minutes of Monday's meeting, Commissioner Doug Walbridge addressed the request, saying that there is a standing mutual aid agreement, meaning that his district has also answered many calls for other fire districts.

It was then suggested by County Emergency Management Director James Tweed "that the fire boards schedule a meeting and talk to each other."

No further action was taken on the matter.

Feaster didn't appear only to make the request. Instead, the minutes state he appeared to also present maps of possible boundary changes within the fire districts.

That follows Feaster, in December, being instructed by the Commission to create the maps, following Feaster's then request that one fire district be disbanded, with the district lines then redrawn to bring the disbanded district into an alternate fire district.

At that time, Feaster suggested to the Commissioners that Rural Fire District #3 be disbanded due to what he said at that time was that district's non-response to fires or accidents for the past year or two.

The Commission, following Feaster's December address, instructed him to create a map of the proposed changes, with his request to then later be taken under consideration by the Commission.

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