

## New Hiawatha Fire Chief Appointed

(KNZA)--The city of Hiawatha has a new fire chief.

The Hiawatha City Commission Monday evening unanimously approved the appointment of Don Koontz to the position along with the re-appointment of other city officials. Koontz, who has been with the Hiawatha Fire Department for 10 years, replaces Bill Roland.

The Commission re-appointed John Defore as Police Chief; Vivian Constable as City Clerk; Don Cashman as City Attorney; Mike Riley as Municipal Judge and Debbie Parker as City Treasurer.

The appointments are for two-year terms. Following the appointments, all were sworn into office.

In other business, the Commission approved appointments to the city Planning Commission.

Appointed as a new member was Hillary Boye. Re-appointed were Joe Koechner, Denise Wolney, Dean Bailey, Jere Bruning and Jill Sprick.

And the Commission approved appointments to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Appointed as a new member was John Schuetz. Re-appointed to the board were Helen Sourk, Andy Delaney, and Rod Spellman.

The appointments to the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals are for terms expiring in 2017.

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