



## Johnson County Fire Protection District

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### **District Purchases New Firefighting Apparatus**

WARRENSBURG, MO – The Johnson County Fire Protection District recently took delivery of two new KME engines on International four door chassis and two new KME tankers on International two door chassis from Jon's Mid America Fire Apparatus, Rogersville, MO. The four apparatus are the first four in a planned replacement program to begin replacing apparatus purchased beginning in 2002.

The engines have a 1250 GPM pump with a 1000 gallon water tank. The tankers have 2000 gallon tanks and an articulating extendable rear dump allowing discharge on both sides and to the rear.

Both engines were designed to incorporate features focused at personnel safety which include lower access hose lays to help reduce the need for personnel to leave the ground for hose deployment to reduce potential injury. Ground ladders, hard suction, and pike poles were placed inside the body for better deployment access and additional cabinet storage space. Booster line was added to the apparatus beneath the steps to the cab in order to assist with gross decontamination at scenes.

"We were able to purchase these apparatus thanks to continued support from our voters," said Chief Larry Jennings. "When we went to the voters for approval for a bond again in 2018, we were thrilled to have their confidence."

Three additional KME engines and three additional KME tankers have been ordered with an expected delivery in late 2020 or early 2021 as the District continues to rotate out aging apparatus.

More information about the Johnson County Fire Protection District can be found online at [www.jcfpd.net](http://www.jcfpd.net) or on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/johnsoncountypd](http://www.facebook.com/johnsoncountypd).

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