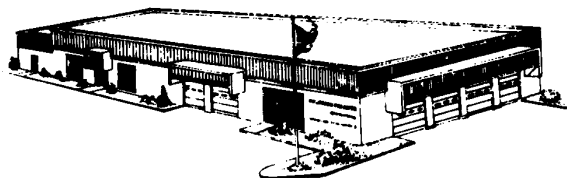


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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING January 3, 2007

ATTENDEES:

Comm. Patrick Rose
Comm. Norman Comerford
Comm. Kenneth Muckenhaupt
Comm. Ann Bollmann (arrived at 7:25 p.m.)
Comm. Kris Duderstadt

Attorney: Gerard Comatos
Treasurer: James Passikoff
Secretary: Renee O'Neill

Treasurer Passikoff acted as temporary Chairman, and opened the 2007 Organizational Meeting of the Arlington Board of Fire Commissioners at 7:07 p.m. with a pledge of allegiance

I. COMMISSIONER ELECTION RESULTS

Commissioner Kris Duderstadt was elected to serve a five (5) year term beginning January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2011 by a total voting count of 61. The election was held on December 12, 2006 and the results are as follows:

	<u>ROM</u>	<u>HQ</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Tom Duderstadt	0	1	1
Betsy Saul	0	1	1
Richard Fishwick	0	1	1
Ralph Chiumento	17	5	22
Kris Duderstadt	37	24	61
Sam North	2	0	2

Comm. Duderstadt had not taken her oath of office prior to this meeting. Attorney Comatos then swore her in as Commissioner and was congratulated by all.

II. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

A motion was made by Comm. Comerford and seconded by Comm. Muckenhaupt to elect Pat Rose as Chairman of the Board for the year 2007.

- Motion Carried, 3 - 0 - 1, Comm. Rose abstained.

III. **APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHAIRPERSON FOR 2007**

Chairman Rose appointed the following Commissioners to act as Chairperson, in case of his absence for the year 2007.

January through March - Comm. Comerford

April through June - Comm. Muckenhaupt

July through September - Comm. Bollmann

October through December - Comm. Duderstadt

IV. Comm. Rose directed Secretary O'Neill to attach the affidavit of publication of the Organizational Meeting to the minutes.

ATTACHMENT: Copy of the Legal notification sent to the media re: Organizational meeting.

V. **APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT SECRETARY**

Comm. Rose appointed Renee O'Neill as District Secretary with a salary as per the budget.

District Secretary O'Neill did not take her oath of office prior to this meeting, therefore Attorney Comatos swore her in as District Secretary and was congratulated.

VI. **APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT TREASURER**

Comm. Rose appointed Jim Passikoff as District Treasurer with a salary as per the budget.

Treasurer Passikoff did not take his oath of office prior to this meeting, therefore Attorney Comatos swore him in as District Treasurer and was congratulated.

VII. **APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S**

Comm. Rose appointed Attorney Gerard Comatos of VanDeWater and VanDeWater for general matters with a salary as per the budget, and John Donoghue of Donoghue, Thomas, Auslander & Drohan for labor matters with a salary as per the budget.

VIII. **APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT NEWSPAPER**

Comm. Rose appointed the Poughkeepsie Journal as the District newspaper.

IX. Comm. Rose authorized the Treasurer to submit to the Board, a copy of the annual report as submitted to the Department of Audit and Control, with a deadline of February 28, 2007.

X. **APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT BANKS & SIGNATURES OF CHECKS**

Comm. Rose appointed the following as District banks: HSBC, M & T Bank, Bank of America, Key Bank, TD Bank North, Bank of New York, Orange County Trust Company and Citizens Bank.

Comm. Rose stated that Treasurer Passikoff, Comm. Muckenhaupt and himself are authorized to sign checks and any check in the amount over \$5,000 would require two signatures.

XI. DESIGNATION OF MEETING DATES

Comm. Rose stated that the Board of Fire Commissioners will meet on the second Tuesday and last Tuesday of every month. (7:30 p.m. at HQ)

Notification to the newspaper, as required by the Open Meeting Law of the State of New York will be sent.

XII. MEMBERSHIPS

Comm. Rose stated that Arlington Fire District continue its memberships in the following:

New York State Association of Fire Districts, Dutchess County Association of Fire Districts, International Association of Fire Chiefs, New York State Association of Fire Chiefs, Westchester County Career Chiefs, Dutchess County Chiefs, National Volunteer Fire Council, International Association of Fire Instructors, Dutchess County EMS Council, National Fire Protection Association and New York State Fire Investigators Association.

XIII. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR 2007:

Comm. Rose appointed the following to act on the following committees:

Service Awards - Comm. Muckenhaupt, Comm. Comerford
District Inspections - Comm. Bollmann, Comm. Duderstadt
District Officers/Chief Liaison - Comm. Rose, Comm. Comerford
Sub Station - Comm. Comerford, Comm. Duderstadt
EMS & Paramedic Liaison - Comm. Bollmann, Comm. Muckenhaupt
Public Relations - Comm. Duderstadt, Comm. Rose
Equipment Maintenance - Mechanic Tarquinio, Comm. Muckenhaupt, Comm. Rose
Building & Grounds - Comm. Rose, Business Manager Borquist
Capital Equipment - Comm. Muckenhaupt, Comm. Comerford
Union Negotiations & Contract - Comm. Muckenhaupt, Comm. Duderstadt
Career Staff Liaison - Comm. Rose, Comm. Muckenhaupt
Volunteer Recruitment - Comm. Duderstadt, Comm. Bollmann
Volunteer Liaison - Comm. Duderstadt, Comm. Bollmann

XIV. A motion was made by Comm. Comerford and seconded by Comm. Muckenhaupt to approve the following:

1. District Purchasing Policy
2. District Investment Policy
3. Travel, Mileage and Expense Reimbursement Policy
4. Leases with Engine Companies 4 and 5
5. Maintenance Agreements with Engine Companies 1 and 3.

- Motion Carried, 4 - 0.

XV. DEPARTMENT ELECTION RESULTS

Comm. Rose directed Secretary O'Neill to read into the minutes the results of the Department elections that was held on December 7, 2006 for Chief Engineer, Assistant Chief Engineers, District EMS Captain, and District President.

Secretary O'Neill read the minutes of the December 7, 2006 election with the following results:

Chief Engineer:	David Roberts, Sr.
Assistant Chief Engineer:	Frank Carlon
Assistant Chief Engineer:	Anthony Alongi
Assistant Chief Engineer:	Kevin Finnigan
Assistant Chief Engineer:	Eric Philipp
District President:	Charles Grundon
District EMS Captain:	Mike Hogan

Attorney Comatos then had Chief Roberts stand and take his oath of office, followed by Assistant Chief Engineers, Frank Carlon, Anthony Alongi, Kevin Finnigan, and Eric Philipp. District President Charles Grundon and District EMS Captain Mike Hogan were not in attendance and will have to take their oath of office at another time.

XVI. Chairman Rose thanked the Commissioners, in particularly outgoing Commissioner Ralph Chiumento for an outstanding 15 years of service as Commissioner, and for a great year. Expressed his thanks to the employees, Assistant Chiefs, Career Staff and Volunteers for their performance in 2006 and anticipates 2007 being better.

Comm. Comerford thanked everyone as well for a job well done, both paid and volunteer and hopes to continue working together in 2007. And also wanted to echo what Comm. Rose stated about outgoing Comm. Chiumento.

Comm. Muckenhaupt wanted to recognize Chief Roberts for his work in bringing the District back together and looks forward to working with him again this year. Has learned a lot from outgoing Comm. Chiumento since he's tenure on the Board.

Comm. Rose also thanked Chief Roberts and Deputy Chief Pells for bringing the District back together. Did an outstanding job.

Comm. Bollmann thanked everyone for a great year and hopes 2007 will be even better.

Chief Roberts looks forward to working with the Board in 2007, as does EMS Director Kloepfer, Assistant EMS Director Violante, and Local 2393 President Gus Antalek.

A motion was made by Comm. Comerford and seconded by Comm. Bollmann to adjourn at 7:26 p.m.

- Motion Carried, 5 - 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee O'Neill
Fire District Secretary