

Arlington Fire District

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES June 16, 2025

ATTENDEES: Comm. Richard Dore – Chairman

Comm. Ralph Chiumento, Jr. Vice Chairman – (absent)

Comm. Peter Valdez – (absent)

Comm. Phil Van Itallie Comm. Sean Jackson

Chief: Adam Kangas

Assistant Chief: Eric Philipp
Director of EMS: David Violante
District Secretary: Renee O'Neill

Treasurer: James Passikoff

Chairman Dore opened the Arlington Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners' meeting at 6:00 p.m., took a roll call of the attendees and everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

- 1. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** No action(s) taken by the Board, unless otherwise noted.
- 2. <u>COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD</u> No action(s) taken by the Board, unless otherwise noted.

3. <u>ABSTRACT APPROVALS</u>

Comm. Jackson made a motion to approve Abstract 25–6B. This consists of \$6,885.25 in paid bills with a total of 4 checks and \$154,875.90 in unpaid bills with a total of 35 checks for a grand total of \$161,761.15, totaling 39 checks. Seconded by Comm. Van Itallie.

- Motion Carried, 3 - 0 - 0

Abstract 25–6B–Croft will be tabled until the next meeting because there was not enough Commissioners in attendance that could vote on it since Comm. Jackson would be abstaining.

4. <u>APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES</u>

- A. <u>June 2, 2025 Board of Fire Commissioners' Meeting</u>
 Comm. Jackson made a motion to approve the June 2, 2025 Board of Fire Commissioners' meeting minutes. Seconded by Comm. Van Itallie.
 - Motion Carried, 3 0 0
- 5. **MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORTS** No reports given unless otherwise noted.
 - A. Service Awards Comm. Valdez & Comm. Jackson
 - 1. Received from Arrow Bank
 - A. May 2025 LOSAP Statement
 - B. Investment Presentation -11/01/19 05/31/25
 - B. District Inspections Comm. Dore & Comm. Jackson
 - C. District Officers / Chief Liaison Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Dore
 - D. EMS & Paramedic Liaison Comm. Valdez & Comm. Dore
 - E. Public Relations Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Jackson
 - F. Equipment Maintenance Comm. Dore & Comm. Valdez
 - G. Buildings and Grounds Comm. Dore & Comm. Van Itallie
 - H. Capital Equipment Comm. Van Itallie & Comm. Jackson
 - I. Union Negotiations & Contract Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Dore
 - J. Career Staff Liaison Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Dore
 - K. Volunteer Recruitment Comm. Valdez & Comm. Jackson
 - L. District Safety & Health Comm. Dore & Comm. Valdez
 - M. Strategic Plan Comm. Van Itallie & Comm. Valdez
 - N. Finance Committee Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Van Itallie
 - O. IT Operations Committee Comm. Dore & Comm. Jackson
 - P. Croft Lease Comm. Valdez & Comm. Van Itallie
 - Q. Rochdale Lease Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Van Itallie
- 6. **CORRESPONDENCE** *None unless otherwise noted.*
- 7. **ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD** None unless otherwise noted.
- 8. **DONATIONS** *None unless otherwise noted*
- 9. **COMMISSIONERS ITEMS** *No reports and/or discussions unless otherwise noted.*

10. **DISTRICT STAFF ITEMS**

- A. Chief Adam Kangas
 - 1. Maternity / Paternity Policy
 Tabled until the next meeting when there is a full Board in attendance.
 - 2. Rochdale update: Their attorney has drawn up a petition to the State Attorney General regarding the terms of sale.
 - 3. Certificate of Eligibles received for FF/Paramedic. Interviews are scheduled for Monday, the 23rd. There is a total of eight (8) candidates. Any candidate must pass the agility test before they can be appointed. Working on a date for that.
- B. Assistant Chief Eric Philipp No report.
- C. Director of EMS David Violante
 - 1. Awards Ceremony was held and went well. Thanked everyone who was involved in it.
 - 2. Medical Director, Dr. Gary Neifeld is retiring after 15 years. New Medical Director, Dr. Joseph Falice will be coming in and will be working with him on paperwork, etc.
- D. Treasurer James Passikoff
 - Chairman Dore acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's May 31,
 2025 Financial Report for the District.
 - 2. Received the engagement letter for 2023 for the audit. Chairman Dore signed it, and it was sent back to PKF O'Connor Davies.

11. SCHOOL REQUESTS

There were no school requests submitted for notification or for Board of Fire Commissioners consideration.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There were no items for Executive Session.

Chairman Dore stated that the next Board of Fire Commissioners meeting scheduled for Monday, July 7th has been canceled. The next meeting will be on the 21st.

With no further business to conduct, Comm. Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Comm. Van Itallie.

- Motion Carried, 3 - 0 - 0

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Renee O'Neill District Secretary



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING PUBLIC ATTENDANCE SHEET

NOTE: This sheet will be attached to the Board of Fire Commissioners meeting minutes as part of the official record. If you agree to have your name as part of the official record and published on our website, please legibly print your name below. Thank you.	
DATE OF MEETING: 6-16-25	

REVISED: 12/09/19