



# ***Arlington Fire District***

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## **BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA December 15, 2025**

### **ATTENDEES:**

Comm. Richard Dore – Chairman  
Comm. Ralph Chiumento, Jr. – Vice Chairman  
Comm. Peter Valdez  
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 – (absent)

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES**
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – The Board insists on decorum and common courtesy**  
*The public may comment on any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the Board of Fire Commissioners. Each speaker may speak for up to three (3) minutes and no time may be transferred to another party. Please do not expect the Board to answer any questions or make comments during this time. If the Board chooses to answer questions, they will do so during the "Comments from the Board" section of the meeting.*
6. **COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

7. **ABSTRACT APPROVAL**

- A. Approval of Abstract 25–12B.

Motion to approve Abstract 25–12B. This consists of \$\_\_\_\_\_ in paid bills with a total of \_\_\_\_\_ checks and \$\_\_\_\_\_ in unpaid bills with a total of \_\_\_\_\_ checks for a grand total of \$\_\_\_\_\_, totaling \_\_\_\_\_ checks.

8. **MINUTES TO BE APPROVED**

- A. December 1, 2025 Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting. (*Comm. Valdez was absent*)

9. **MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Service Awards – Comm. Valdez & Comm. Jackson
- 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

10. **CORRESPONDENCE** – *None unless otherwise noted*

- A. Received November 18, 2025, Richard C. Dore’s petition to be added to the ballot for the Commissioner Election to be held on December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Received the 2025 Annual Meeting minutes. (held on December 4, 2025)
- C. Received the results of the Fire Commissioner Election held on December 9, 2025.
- D. Received the 2026 Officers for Croft Corners Fire Company.

11. **ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD** – *None unless otherwise noted*

- A. Gavin Kerr, volunteer member of Croft Corners Fire Company – his military leave expired on December 13, 2025. (he returned all his gear prior to going out on military leave back in 2021; needs to be dropped from the roles)

12. **DONATIONS** – *None unless otherwise noted*

13. **COMMISSIONERS ITEMS**

14. **DISTRICT STAFF ITEMS**

A. Chief Adam Kangas

1. Request transfer of \$22K out of the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Fund for Lt. Donald Robison's sick time payment.

B. Assistant Chief Eric Philipp

C. Director of EMS David Violante

D. Treasurer James Passikoff – (absent)

1. If received, Chairman to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Financial Report for the District.

15. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**

There were no school requests submitted.

16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There are no items for Executive Session.

17. **ADJOURN MEETING**