



Arlington Fire District

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES February 20, 2026

ATTENDEES:

Comm. Richard Dore – Chairman
Comm. Ralph Chiumento, Jr. – Vice Chairman
Comm. Peter Valdez
Comm. Phil Van Itallie – (absent)
Comm. Sean Jackson – (absent)

Chief: Adam Kangas
Assistant Chief: Eric Philipp – (absent)
Director of EMS: David Violante
District Secretary: Renee O’Neill
Treasurer: James Passikoff – (absent)

Chairman Dore opened the Arlington Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners’ special meeting at 10:00 a.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. **COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD** – *No action(s) taken by the Board, unless otherwise noted.*
3. **PROMOTIONS**
Chairman Dore read the following:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Fire Chief, the following employees are presented to the BOFC for promotion to the rank identified, with start date denoted below. All promotions will serve a 26-weeks probation period:

William Roser to Lieutenant – February 23, 2026
Branden Benedetto to Lieutenant – February 24, 2026
Tyler Pettit to Lieutenant – February 25, 2026
James McGoldrick to Captain – March 9, 2026
Donald Robison to Captain – March 10, 2026
Chris Whitney to Captain – March 11, 2026
Erin Hanlon to Battalion Chief – March 23, 2026
Seth Goldstein to Battalion Chief – March 24, 2026

Comm. Chiumento made a motion to approve. Seconded by Comm. Valdez.

- Motion Carried, 3 – 0 – 0

Chairman Dore reported that the Executive Session item that was listed on the agenda has been removed.

With no further business to conduct, Comm. Chiumento made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Comm. Valdez.

- Motion Carried, 3 – 0 – 0

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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: 2/20/26

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