



Arlington Fire District

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"Safeguarding Our Community"

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA

August 3, 2026

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

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 26–8A.

Motion to approve Abstract 26–8A. 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.

B. Approval of Abstract 26–8A–Croft.

Motion to approve Abstract 26–8A–Croft. 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. July 6, 2026 Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting. (*Comm. Jackson was absent*)

9. **MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

1. Received the June 2026 LOSAP Account Statement from Arrow Bank.

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

1. Correction needed for the following members application status which was BOFC approved on February 9, 2026:

1. Shawn Gale – Company 5, need to add Fire Police (was only approved for Firefighter)

2. Deepak Vashisht – Company 5, need to remove Firefighter and add Fire Police.

L. District Safety & Health – Comm. Dore & Comm. Valdez

M. Strategic Plan – Comm. Van Itallie & Comm. Valdez

N. Finance Committee – Comm. Chiumento & Comm. Jackson

O. IT Operations Committee – Comm. Dore & Comm. Van Itallie

P. Croft Lease – Comm. Valdez & Comm. Van Itallie

10. **CORRESPONDENCE** – *None unless otherwise noted*
11. **ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD** – *None unless otherwise noted*
A. Request received from the Poughkeepsie Plaza for AFD volunteers to participate in their Fall Event on Sunday, September 27th from 12pm to 2pm.
12. **DONATIONS** – *None unless otherwise noted*
13. **COMMISSIONERS ITEMS**
14. **DISTRICT STAFF ITEMS**
A. Chief Adam Kangas
1. Two Memorandum of Agreement's for consideration:
A. Paramedic School
B. Equipment Maintenance

B. Assistant Chief Eric Philipp

C. Director of EMS David Violante

D. Treasurer James Passikoff
1. If received, Chairman to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Financial Report for the District.
15. **SCHOOL REQUESTS**
No school requests were submitted.
16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
There are no items for Executive Session.
17. **ADJOURN MEETING**