

Warrenville Fire Protection District
Fire Commission Meeting
May 13, 2025
5:30pm
Minutes

CALL TO ORDER @ 17:31 by Commissioner Byers

ROLL CALL - Present for the meeting were Fire Commissioner Tim Gornik, Fire Commissioner Nelda Byers, Fire Commissioner Ryan McIntyre, Assistant Chief Joe Levy, and Administrative Assistant Jenna Reavy
Guests were: Trustee President Kate Perkins
Absent were: Fire Chief Andy Dina

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The meeting started with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – 1st Commissioner McIntyre 2nd Commissioner Byers

All Ayes
MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- i) Regular Meeting on 01/14/2025, 03/11/2025
- ii) Special Meeting on 02/11/2025, 02/25/2025
1st Commissioner McIntyre 2nd Commissioner Byers

All Ayes
MOTION CARRIED

- iii) Approve to remain in closed session minutes from:
(1) Since the inception of WFPD BoFC
1st Commissioner Gornik 2nd Commissioner McIntyre

All Ayes
MOTION CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT

Assistant Chief Levy reported that the budget looks good for FY25-26 and it includes funds for additional candidate and promotion testing as needed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

None.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Levy shared that the district is currently working with the attorney to draft the MOU with the union to change candidate hiring requirements.

The push-in ceremony for the new tower ladder will be June 4th at 6pm.

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Assistant Chief Levy and Assistant Chief O'Hare represented the district at Legislative Day in Springfield and shared the messaging for the district's new identity and direction for the future with state representatives. The district is scheduled to meet with the Insurance Services Office on May 27th for a fire rating reevaluation. AC Levy is developing a partnership with the College of DuPage to offer college credit for the district's cadet program.

The district is currently consulting with vendors to host promotion testing, and the process will be opened for bidding.

Candidate Gomez could not attend tonight's meeting, so AC Levy will reach out to coordinate another date for an interview.

On June 26th the district will be participating in electrical vehicle fire training at the Forest Preserve of DuPage County.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee President Perkins reported that she will be petitioning for Commissioner McIntyre's reelection appointment at the next Trustee meeting in May. President Perkins also shared the appointment of Natalie Clemens to the Trustee board.

ATTORNEY

None.

PERSONNEL

Commissioner Byers expressed her appreciation for the new monthly newsletter created by AC Levy.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

General ongoing business for personnel

The board reached a consensus to prioritize completing the current hiring list and to defer any changes to candidate requirements until the Memorandum of Understanding is finalized, with the goal of implementing updates in the next list cycle.

NEW BUSINESS

Review and take action on Background Report, and Oral Interview for Candidate Edgar Gomez

The board agreed on May 20th for a special meeting to conduct an interview, pending candidate availability to be confirmed by AC Levy.

Review and discuss probationary reports for FFPM Tosto and FFPM Dore

The board acknowledged the positive progress of both candidates during probation but noted that some concerns raised in the reports require further clarification. Commissioner Byers referenced feedback from two different officers about FFPM Dore's tendency to become frustrated and defensive. She questioned whether this was an inherent behavioral trait or a response to the challenges of being in a new learning environment. AC Levy commented that he believed it was likely a result of a new learning environment.

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A report was noted regarding FFPM Tosto and an incident with a DuoNeb on a medical transport call. AC Levy explained that SOP changes prior to the incident caused confusion, but these have since been clarified with the hospital and FFPM Tosto.

ADJOURN @17:47 hours, - 1st Commissioner McIntyre

2nd Commissioner Byers

All Ayes
MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 17:47 hours.