

DARIEN-WOODRIDGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON:

Thursday, May 22, 2025

Location - Station 89, 7550 Lyman Ave, Darien.

Time: The meeting was called to order at 2:32pm

Call to order:

Roll call of Commissioners present: Ed Cryer, Julia Beckman, Dominic Marsiglio
Guests: Chief Jimmy Lahanis, Deputy Chief Jamie Tunk,

Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the following meetings were reviewed:

February 22 - Dominic Marsiglio moved and Julia Beckman seconded a motion to approve minutes. Unanimous approval.

March 7 - Dominic Marsiglio moved, Julia Beckman seconded a motion to approve. Unanimous approval.

Correspondence

- A. Trustees Meeting - Previous Trustees' meetings were attended by the Board of Commissioners. An update report was given at all meetings.
- B. Trustees Report - The report packet included previous meetings minutes
Treasurer's Report - Chief's report was issued along with the agenda for the current monthly meeting.
- C. Other communications: Various emails were sent to the Commissioners for information covering DWFD issues.

Personnel and General Issues Report

Chief Lahanis reported that Carl Walsh has successfully finished his training shift. The Battalion Chief retirement date will be announced soon. Orientation and assessment training for 4 candidates is tentatively scheduled to begin June 4.

Old Business

REFERENCE ONLY - Important Upcoming Dates:

- 1. The FF/PM Eligibility list is good from 02/05/2024 through 02/04/2026.
- 2. The Lieutenant Eligibility list is good from 08/19/2023 through 08/18/2026.
- 3. The current Battalion Chief Eligibility list was good from 11/17/2023 through 11/16/2026 however it is now exhausted.

New Business

The Personnel Commission Rules are now online and will be sent via email to the members for their review and revision.

The Battalion Chief eligibility list could be ready by late June. The Firefighter/Paramedic recruitment process may begin by late August. Recruits may need to re-test. One who took another position will be contacted to check on their interest in DWFD. .

Discussion of when to begin a new list for FF/PM hiring. It may be needed sooner than February, 2026. May need to open search in September.

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Public Comment: None

Next Meeting

The Next DWFD Commissioner meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2025, but may be postponed for two weeks while calls to possible recruits are being made.

Adournment

There being no further business, Secretary Julia Beckman moved and Dominic Marsiglio seconded the motion to adjourn. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 2:55

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Beckman
Secretary