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Arlington Fire District

11 Burnett Boulevard
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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 11, 2000

ATTENDEES: Comm. Paul Lahey
Comm. Ralph Chiumento
Comm. Gerard Philipp
Comm. John Richardson
Comm. Karen Pells

Attorney: Gerard Comatos
Treasurer: James Passikoff
Secretary: Renee Gaddis

I. A motion was made by Comm. Richardson and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to designate Treasurer Passikoff to act as temporary chairman.

- Motion Carried.

Treasurer Passikoff opened the 2000 Reorganizational Meeting of the Arlington Board of Fire Commissioners at 7:00 p.m.

II. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ELECTION RESULTS

A. Commissioner Karen Pells was elected to serve a 5 year term by total voting count of 67.

Results of Election held December 14, 1999

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	R.O.M.	H.Q.	Total
Karen A. Pells -	24	43	67
William Paroli -	1	0	1
Carl Davidson -	4	0	4

III. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

- A. A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to nominate as John Richardson Chairman of the Board for 2000. A poll of the Board was conducted with the following results -

Comm. Pells - "Aye"
Comm. Chiumento - "Aye"
Comm. Lahey - "Aye"
Comm. Philipp- "Aye"
Comm. Richardson - "Abstained"

- Motion Carried.

IV. **APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHAIRMAN FOR 2000**

- A. Chairman Richardson appointed the following Commissioners to act as Chairman, in case of his absence, for 2000.

January through March	-	Commissioner Philipp
April through June	-	Commissioner Chiumento
July through September	-	Commissioner Lahey
October through December	-	Commissioner Philipp

ATTACHMENT: COPY OF LEGAL NOTIFICATION SENT TO MEDIA RE: ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

V. **APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT SECRETARY**

- A. A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to appoint, by resolution, Renee Gaddis as District Secretary at a salary to be determined.

- Motion Carried.

VI. **APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT TREASURER**

- A. A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to appoint, by resolution, James Passikoff as District Treasurer with a salary to be determined.

- Motion Carried.

VII. OATH OF OFFICE

- A. Attorney Comatos presented Secretary Renee Gaddis and Treasurer James Passikoff with the Oath of Office.

VIII. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY

- A. A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Philipp to appoint, by resolution, Attorney Gerard Comatos of VanDewater & VanDeWater for general business of the District with fees to be determined.
- B. A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Philipp to appoint, by resolution, John Donoghue of Donoghue, Thomas, Auslander & Drohan for labor matters of the District with fees to be determined.

- Motion Carried.

- IX. A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Lahey authorizing the Treasurer, to submit to the Board a copy of the Annual Report as submitted to the Department of Audit and Control, with a deadline of February 29, 2000

- Motion Carried.

X. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT NEWSPAPER

- A. A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Lahey to appoint, by resolution, the Poughkeepsie Journal as the official District newspaper.

- Motion Carried.

XI. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT BANK

- A. A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to designate, by resolution, Marine Midland Bank, M & T Bank, Fleet Bank, Key Bank and Bank of New York as those into which the Treasurer shall deposit any District monies.

- Motion Carried.

- B. A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Chiumento, authorizing Treasurer Passikoff, Comm. Lahey and Comm. Pells to sign District checks up to \$5,000. Any check in the amount over \$5,000 must be signed by any two of the aforementioned.

- Motion Carried.

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XII. DESIGNATION OF MEETING DAYS

- A. A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm .Lahey to designate the second Tuesday of every month as the Regular Monthly Meeting night and the fourth Wednesday of every month as the Special/Workshop Meeting night. All meetings will be held at Arlington Headquarters, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

XIII. MEMBERSHIPS

- A. A motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Chiumento that the Arlington Fire District continue its memberships in the New York State Association of Fire Districts, Dutchess County Association of Fire Districts, Westchester County Career Chiefs, National Volunteer Fire Council, Dutchess County Chiefs, International Association of Fire Chiefs and International Association of Fire Instructors.

- Motion Carried.

XIV. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR YEAR 2000

COMMITTEE	PRIMARY
Service Awards	Comm. Chiumento
District Inspections	Chiefs
District Officers/Chief Liaison	Chairman Richardson
Sub Station	Chairman Richardson
EMS & Paramedic Liaison	Comm. Lahey
Public Relations	Chairman Richardson
Equipment Maintenance	Chairman Richardson
Building & Grounds	Comm. Philipp
Capital Equipment	Comm. Philipp
Union Negotiations & Contract	Comm. Lahey & Comm. Chiumento

Career Staff Liaison	Comm. Lahey
Volunteer Recruitment	Comm. Philipp
Volunteer Liaison	Comm. Pells

XV. CHIEF OFFICERS' ELECTION

A. Chairman announced the following results of the Chief Officers' election held on December 9, 1999.

1. Chief Engineer: John Hellmann
2. Assistant Chief Engineers: Mike Fleming - Eng. Co. #1
Robert Averill - Station 3
William Phillips - Station 4
Anthony Alongi - Station 5
3. District President - Brian Mallet - Station 4

A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Lahey to appoint John Hellmann - Chief, Mike Fleming- Assistant Chief Engineer, Engine Company #1, Robert Averill- Assistant Chief Engineer, Station 3, William Phillips - Assistant Chief Engineer, Station 4, and Anthony Alongi, Assistant Chief Engineer, Station 5 and Brian Mallet - District President.

- Motion Carried.

XVI. CHIEF ENGINEERS and DISTRICT PRESIDENT - OATH OF OFFICE

A. Attorney Comatos presented Chief Hellmann, Assistant Chiefs Fleming, Philipps, and Averill and District President Mallet with the Oaths of Office.

XVII. MESSAGE FROM THE NEW CHAIRMAN

A. Chairman Richardson thanked everyone for their performance in 1999 and anticipated performance in 2000.

XVIII. Chairman Richardson stated, as an individual and chairman anticipates the following goals:

1. The Board aggressively and immediately look into the sub station and placing of medics 24-7 on the south end of this District.
2. Speed up the procedures and processes in this fire district.
3. Better communication, i.e, employees, public
4. Provide people of the fire district with the best of equipment within the

costs and constraints of this fire district.

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XIX. A motion was made by Comm. Chiumento and seconded by Comm. Lahey to retain the Districts purchasing policy.

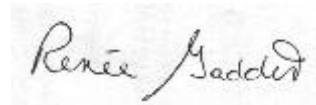
- Motion Carried.

XX. A motion was made by Comm. Philipp and seconded by Comm. Lahey to retain the current investment policy that the district has been using the past year.

- Motion Carried.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Comm. Lahey and seconded by Comm. Chiumento to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Renee Gaddis".

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Gaddis
District Secretary

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