



## 916th AVFD CORPORATION MEETING

Monday, April 20, 2026

Corporate Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Company One Meeting Room

### MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:  
Board President Jamie DiPace started the meeting at 7:03 p.m.
2. ATTENDANCE / INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS:  
50 voting members; 8 non-voting members.
3. OATH OF OFFICE:  
HQ Administrative Probationary Member Sandra Austin Goldstein; Co. 3 Probationary Member Matthew Dileo.
4. COMMUNICATION FROM AUDIENCE  
*All items from audience are limited to five (5) minutes or less.*
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:  
915th Corporation Meeting March 9, 2026: Motion to approve by Assistant Treasurer Christina Adajian; second by member Ben Shapiro. All in favor and motion carried.
6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:  
Red light program for fallen firefighters; display red lights in homes 4/26/2026 to 5/3/2026. EB Trust monies approximately \$124,000 to be released to AVFD by bank/judge due to newly non-supported bank fund. Members Jenn Rosado and Laura Ward thanked for Women in Fire Services series. Laura Ward spoke about upcoming outreach and marketing. Ben Shapiro mentioned the Co. 3 Open House this coming weekend. Yard Goats night for the AVFD mentioned. Mention of a member being in the hospital.
7. CORRESPONDENCE:  
\$500 donation from company whose equipment caught fire.
8. FINANCIAL UPDATE:  
Treasurer Steve Gwizdak is still in his corporate high busy season. CPA Natalie Olmstead of Valley Bookkeeping has been reviewing Quickbooks Online accounts for the AVFD, while Administrative Coordinator Susan Guimaraes has been training and also doing the bookkeeping.
9. OFFICERS REPORTS:  
Year-end call volume forecast at 800; request for more member response. Stipend and point system will need to be addressed with Town Council (TC). Pool and dump passes member numbers will be brought to TC. New Doro Market offers AVFD members 10% discount. Coffee with Chiefs type of community outreach mentioned. Explorer activities with surrounding towns mentioned. Knox keys requirements & locations discussed. New pager chargers available. Vehicle E-11 is being serviced. Hose testing will be May 21-22, 2026. Ladder service is starting today. New tanker has been approved by TC. For insurance purposes: any response/event driver needs to submit license check authorization form, and copies of license and insurance declaration page for auto driven to Admin Coordinator; deadline end-May. Training at any time is valued. E-13 is at Co. 4.
10. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a. Building Committee Updates (Town Rep): Representative Jim Speich is in Florida.

b. Communications Group Department Activities

11. NEW BUSINESS

12. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. History Presentation

b. Welfare & Cheer

c. Attendance Drawing: money collection first; name drawn until a member who's present claims \$10.00 award. Winner member Dennis Bianchi.

d. Pot of Gold Drawing: remainder money from Attendance Drawing; name drawn once only; if no winner, money carried to next meeting's Pot of Gold. No winner; rollover monies to next meeting.

13. ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion to adjourn by Board Member Dave Bourgojn; second by Christina Adajian. All in favor and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

**FUTURE MEETINGS:**

Corporation Meeting: Monday, May 11, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

Board Meeting: Thursday, May 28, 2026, 7:00 p.m.