

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE HOBART CIVIL SERVICE FIRE COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF HOBART
HELD January 8, 2025, 6:00 p.m.**

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: The following members were present: Commissioner Pouch, Commissioner St. Myers, AC Reed, Union VP Ditchcreek, Secretary Maloney.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Commissioner St. Myers to approve the agenda. Commissioner Pouch seconded and requested an email from Chief Lopez and an email from Private Mark Reid be added to the agenda. Motion to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Commissioner St. Myers. Motion carried (2-0).

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Commissioner St. Myers to accept the December 11, 2025 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Commissioner Pouch. Motion carried (2-0).

Correspondence: Commissioner Pouch read an email from AC Millard to all Hobart FD officers, and noted that Chief Lopez sent a similar email to the Fire Commission, regarding a resolution requiring all officers to meet the qualifications for the rank they currently hold by January 5, 2027. Commissioner St. Myers stated that, per Chief Lopez's email, the department would be offering the needed classes and that the affected people would be notified. Commissioner Pouch stated that, after discussion, it was concluded that it was a department policy to write, as the commission rules state that SOP 101.14 will be followed.

Commissioner St. Myers stated that he received an email from Pvt. Mark Reid stating that he understood the current Engineer list is expired, and that he is requesting a new list be established. An exam date of February 20, 2026 at 4pm was decided on. Secretary Maloney was requested to make a post at all stations.

Committee Reports: No committee reports. The committee created to investigate conditions of employment prior to testing for promotion was unable to meet due to recent holidays and schedule conflicts.

Old Business: Commissioner Pouch stated that he has a mental aptitude test that he wanted to show the other commissioners.

New Business: Commissioner Pouch stated that he was sworn into his new term as Commissioner by Mayor Huddleston the previous morning.

Commissioner St. Myers made a motion to select Commissioner Pouch as the chairperson of the commission. Seconded and accepted by Commissioner Pouch. Motion carried (2-0).

Announcements: None

Adjournment: Motion by Commissioner Pouch to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner St. Myers. Motion carried (2-0).