

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
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REPORT: Committee Vote: Favorable: 3-0 Council Members Fisher, Olson, and Watson

Absent: Council Members Hawkins and Blegay

The Health, Human Services, and Public Safety Committee met on May 13, 2024, to consider the County Executive's nominees for the Fire Commission. The nominees serve as volunteer, career, or resident members, with terms expiring on July 1, 2026.

The Fire Commission reviews each county volunteer fire company's financial requirements and funding requests annually. It consolidates these into one budget, a capital improvement program, and a current expense budget, all regarding public funds. These budgets and the necessary justifications are then submitted to the county executive following the guidelines in the charter.

Ms. Miriam Brewer, Appointments Liaison, Office of the County Executive, presented an overview of the nominees' qualifications to the Fire Commission. The nominees shared information on their backgrounds and expressed their interest in serving on the Fire Commission for Prince George's County. Assistant Fire Chief Michael White participated in the work session supporting the nominees.

Ms. Gloria J. Bell, a resident of Fort Washington, serves as the District 4 Commissioner to six (6) volunteer corporations. Most recently, she served on the FY 2024 Volunteer Station Program Funds Committee and previously developed standard operating procedures for department functions while facilitating New Member Orientation sessions as Chief of Staff to the President. Ms. Bell received her Bachelor of Science from the University of Maryland University College.

Ms. Michelle A. Chandler, a resident of Bowie, is a Firefighter/Medic Battalion Chief with the Prince George's Fire/EMS Department. She is a dedicated and accomplished professional with a distinguished career in the United States Air Force and Maryland Air National Guard. Serving as a liaison to fire stations in District III, Ms. Chandler has consistently provided support and

assistance when needed. She has taken the lead in training newly appointed commissioners on the station supply ordering process. She is a graduate of Columbia Southern University.

Ms. Lisa MC Hegwood, a resident of Laurel, is the Response Coordination Branch Training and Exercise Administrator with the Maryland Department of Emergency Management and a Fire Service Volunteer. A respected emergency management professional, she joined the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc. in 2017, where she has held many administrative and operational roles. Ms. Hegwood received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Rowan University and a Master of Science from the University of Maryland University College.

Mr. Marlon E. Selmon, a resident of Bowie, is a native Prince Georgian and a successful business owner. He is President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of PaNa Solutions, overseeing the company's day-to-day operations. He is responsible for achieving strategic goals and objectives while delivering excellent customer service. Mr. Selmon has provided high-quality management and Information Technology (IT) consulting services to the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), National Security Agency (NSA), Department of Defense (DOD), and District Government Services. He received his undergraduate degree from Bowie State University and a graduate degree from Capital College. Ms. Brewer mentioned that Mr. Selmon couldn't attend today due to an unforeseen emergency.

Mr. Kyle J. Snyder is a resident of Berwyn Heights and the town manager, managing the town's day-to-day operations. He joined the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department in 2008. He was previously the Town Administrator for Upper Marlboro, overseeing public safety, public works, and administration. Mr. Snyder received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Maryland, College Park.

The committee members thanked the nominees for their readiness to serve.

The Health, Human Services, and Public Safety Committee voted the nominees to the Fire Commission out favorably 3-0.