

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
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REPORT: Favorable 5-0 (In Favor: Council Members: Glaros, Harrison, Lehman, Taveras, and Turner)

The Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee convened to consider 4 appointments to the Fire Commission for Prince George's County. The Commission reviews the financial needs and request for public funds of each of the County's volunteer fire companies.

The Appointees are:

Mr. James (Bobby) Breen is a resident of Brandywine. He currently serves as the Fire Chief of the Baden Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Breen will continue to serve as the Volunteer Member of the Commission.

Mr. Brian Dougherty is a resident of Bowie. He currently is a Fighter/Medic Battalion Chief and Deputy Director of the Training and Leadership Academy. Mr. Dougherty will continue to as the Sworn Member of the Commission

Mr. William H. (Buddy) King is a resident of New Carrollton. He has 50 years of dedicated volunteer service in Prince George's County. He currently serves as Vice Chair of the Commission and will continue to serve as Volunteer Member of the Commission.

Mr. Randy Kuenzli has been actively involved in the Volunteer Fire Service in the County since 1992. He is currently Chief of the Bladensburg Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Inc. Mr. Kuenzli will continue to serves as a Volunteer Member of the Commission.

Each nominee introduced themselves and gave the Committee an overview of their experience.

The Committee asked about the nomination process for the Commission. Comments and question were also raised about the recruitment process and diversity

After a very spirited discussion, the Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee voted 5-0 favorably to send the appointments to the Full Council.