



Sandwich Community Fire Protection district

Agenda

April 9th, 2026

6:45 PM

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

Open Forum / Comments from the Public

Executive Session

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Old Business

New Business

- Personnel
 - Accept resignation of Candidate
 - Hiring of a new Candidate
 - Approve Promotions

Posted: Tuesday April 7th, At 1426 hrs. by Derek Hagerty

*Sandwich Community Fire Protection District
Commissioner's Meeting Minutes*

April 9, 2026

6:45 P.M.

*Present: Trustee President – Jeff Beverage
 Trustee Secretary – Matt Weismiller
 Trustee Treasurer – Justin Gifford
 Chief – Derek Hagerty
 Administrative Assistant – Ashley Benitez*

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

-Trustee Beverage opened the meeting and performed roll call at 6:47PM. Reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance was waived as it will be recited in the regular meeting following this one.

Open Forum / Comments from the Public

-None

Personnel

-Accept resignation of Candidate

-Jesus Hernandez resigned March 29th, 2026 from the district. He was 11 months into probation. Trustee Beverage made a motion to accept the resignation; Trustee Gifford seconded the motion. All voted yes.

-Hiring of a new Candidate

-Zach Carlson is at the top of the candidate list. He is a dual certification – firefighter/paramedic. He is 21, from Serena. If all of the finishing paperwork goes through, his start date would be May 4, 2026. Derek will do an interview with Zach. Letter for job offer was signed by all commissioners – Beverage, Gifford and Weismiller. Weismiller made a motion to hire Zach Carlson with the conditions in the signed letter; Beverage seconded the motion. All voted yes.

Approve Promotions

- Firefighter/EMT Jayson Darby and Firefighter/Paramedic Derek Hagerty both tested and approved for Captain positions. -Firefighter/Paramedic Mike Platt and Firefighter/Paramedic Matt Davis both tested and approved for Lieutenant positions. Weismiller made a motion to approve all four promotions; Gifford seconded the motion. All voted yes.

Adjournment

Trustee Beverage made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 P.M., seconded by Trustee Gifford. Trustees Beverage, Gifford and Weismiller all voted yes.