

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**March 5, 2026**  
**MEETING OF THE FORSYTH COUNTY**  
**FIRE COMMISSION**

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The Fire Commission met in regular session at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2026, in the meeting room at Forsyth County Fire Division Station 9, 3000 Aviation Drive, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

**PRESENT:**

Walt Beroth, Chair  
Andrew Gray, Vice Chair  
Eddie Bottoms, Member (Virtually)  
Fred Franklin, Member  
Richard Linville, Member  
Don Martin, Member  
Shane Moore, Member  
Steven Roberson, Member  
Gary Styers, Member  
Brian Tuttle, Member  
Carl Walker, Member  
David Williamson, Member

**ABSENT:**

NONE

The Deputy County Manager, County Attorney, Budget Director, Emergency Services Budget Analyst, General Services Director, General Services Deputy Director, Fire Services Director, and Assistant Fire Chief of Operations were also present.

Chair Beroth called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Commissioner Moore led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

**1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Minutes from the February 19, 2026 meeting of the Fire Commission were presented. There were no corrections or additions. Commissioner Martin

moved that the minutes be accepted as presented. Commissioner Walker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

The public is invited to make comments regarding the business of the Fire Commission. Speakers are given three minutes to make their comments, and the public comment portion of the meeting is to last no longer than 30-minutes.

There were no speakers signed up to make public comments to the Fire Commission.

**3. PRESENTATION**

Chief Brock Smith introduced Chief Greg Grayson with the North Carolina Fire Chief's Consulting Group. Chief Grayson shared a presentation of the recommendations found in the executive summary of the recent County Fire Services Study. Members of the commission were given the opportunity to ask questions and discuss the findings of the study with Chief Grayson. The full study will be released in the near future for review by the Fire Commission.

The next scheduled meeting of the Forsyth County Fire Commission will be March 17, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. in the meeting room at Forsyth County Fire Division Station 9, 3000 Aviation Drive, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

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There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Tuttle moved for adjournment. Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Signed by:

*Walt Beroth*

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F. Walter Beroth, Chair  
Forsyth County Fire Commission

Signed by:

*Philip C. Vogler*

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Philip C. Vogler, Assistant Fire Chief  
Interim Secretary to the Forsyth County Fire Commission