

George Latimer
County Executive

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the membership of the Westchester County Fire Advisory Board, due to the resignation of Joseph F. Iantorno, Jr.:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Latimer, County Executive of Westchester County, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Westchester County Charter, appoint Robert R. Benkwitt, III, 267 W. Hill Road, Stamford, Connecticut as a member of the Westchester County Fire Advisory Board, for the term August 28, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

Given under my hand
and seal this 28th day
of August, 2023.


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August 28, 2023

Mr. Robert R. Benkwitt, III
267 W. Hill Road
Stamford, CT 06902

Dear Mr. Benkwitt,

It is my pleasure to appoint you to serve as a member of the Westchester County Fire Advisory Board effective today, Monday, August 28, 2023. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2023.

Your appointment is subject to confirmation by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, but your service begins immediately. You must complete the attached Oath of Office within 30 days, either by appearing at the County Clerk's office or mailing the signed and notarized form to our office.

When you have filed your Oath of Office, a Resolution to confirm your appointment will be submitted to the County Board of Legislators. As part of the confirmation process, you may be called before the Board to be interviewed. Please contact the Department of Emergency Services at (914) 231-1688, for the date, place, and time of the upcoming meeting for your participation.

Pursuant to Local Law, as a member of a Westchester County Board and/or Commission, you are responsible for adhering to the requirements of our Code of Ethics.

Warmest wishes for a successful tenure.

Very Truly Yours,

George Latimer
Westchester County Executive

GL/ts

cc: Honorable Board of Legislators
Richard Wishnie, Commissioner, Dept. of Emergency Services
Joan McDonald, Director of Operations

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OBJECTIVE: To obtain the position of Fire Captain, building on my 25 years of continually acquired experience, to continue the growth of the department, and continue to increase our service to the Pelham Community.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: *Village of Pelham Fire Department, Pelham, NY, 1998 to Present*

Lieutenant/EMT

7/2011-Present

- Responsible for daily supervision of two/three Firefighter/EMT's, which includes training, inspections, vehicle safety, fire suppression, hydraulic and emergency medical care. Complete reports and assignments as delegated. Cover as Incident Commander as assigned.
- Assists with writing AFG Grants.

Firefighter/EMT

9/1998-7/2011

- Worked under the direction and supervision of Lieutenants or senior Firefighters. Responsible for completing tasks as assigned, vehicle safety, fire suppression, and emergency medical care. Operational knowledge of all Departmental apparatus.

Fire & Life Safety Educator

2001-6/2018

- Responsible for educating residents and groups of all ages in our community in Fire Safety and Injury Prevention.

Member of Pelham Professional Firefighters I.A.F.F. Local 2213

9/1998-present

- Currently serving as Secretary; transcribe minutes and correspondence.

Certifications

- NYS Basic Firefighter Training
- NYS Firefighter Recruit Class II
- Hazardous Materials First Responder OPS
- NYS Certified Code Compliance Technician
- National Certification- Fire Officer I and II
- National Certification- Fire Service Instructor I and II
- NYS EMT-B w/ Defibrillation
- AHA/BLS CPR Instructor
- NIMS 100, 200, 362,340,15.A,700, and 800

Education: Associates Degree in Applied Science, Mercy College (1998)

Technical Skills: Working knowledge of Excel, Word, FireRMS, and Grant Management Systems

Professional References: Available upon request

