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# **Arlington County Civic Federation**

## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES, TUESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2025**

**MEETING:** Arlington County Civic Federation, General Membership Meeting, 10/14/2025 7:00 – 9:00  
Hybrid meeting held in-person at the VHC Hazel Auditorium and virtually via Zoom, called via email invitation, web notification, and Facebook post.

**ATTENDANCE:** In-Person: Member delegates checked in.  
Zoom: Member delegates registered in advance, and were recorded via Zoom.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Federation President Nicholas Giacobbe noted the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. President Giacobbe led the meeting in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made to approve the September 2025 General Membership (GM) Meeting minutes, the motion was moved, and seconded. The September GM minutes were approved by acclamation.

**Arlington Transportation Program with Dr. Hui Wang, DES (Nicole Toulouse Moderated):**  
Dr. Wang gave a presentation on Arlington County's Transportation Program.

*Floor: Why is the traffic data on your charts 7 years old? How do we engage with VDOT? Do you use the in-house staff to do the data analysis? All Site Plans have Transportation issues: Which ones can the community expect the County to enforce? Why does the County always use Cobra lights instead of Carlyle lights in residential areas? Why is the Master Transportation Plan written so High level and not Street level?*

**Jackie Snelling on Comprehensive Plan Community Engagement:**

Gave a Presentation on the Planning Process for the update to the County's Comprehensive Plan. Community Meetings and Online Feedback will continue for the rest of the year and a Draft will be created early next year for review.

**Dave Schutz on Legislation Committee Resolution:**

Dave gave a presentation on the Legislation Committee Resolution on 2026 Legislative Priorities. It will come up again in the November meeting.

Note: The Resolution has been modified in the last month. That updated version of the Resolution is on the Web site. The version shown in the October newsletter is out of date.

**Police Chief Andy Penn (with Deputy Chief Chamberlain):**

Gave a general status of crime and safety in Arlington.

*Floor: Do the Prosecutor's support you? Have there been recent incidents with Flash Mobs? Have seen a gang of kids with non-pedal E-Bikes pulling wheelies – what do you do? How do you decide the Level of Staffing for all the events? What percentage of your requests are successfully prosecuted? Is car-jacking trending back up? How many of your officers live in Arlington? (36%) Are you fully staffed? (authorized to have 405, but 75 short)*

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Allen Norton ( Assistant Secretary ACCF )

Meeting Video At: <https://vimeo.com/1127716117>