



City of Joliet

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Meeting Agenda - Final

Commission Members
Chairman Quinn Adamowski
John Stefanski
Tomas Ponce
Natalie Coleman
Herb Lande

Monday, September 8, 2025

5:00 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers

Citizens who are unable to attend the meeting can email comments in advance of the meeting to publiccomment@joliet.gov.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes:

[TMP-8876](#)

Regular Meeting - July 14, 2025

Special Meeting - July 23, 2025

Special Meeting - August 25, 2025

Attachments: [BofFPC Meeting Minutes - July 14, 2025.pdf](#)

[BofFPC Special Meeting Minutes - July 23, 2025.pdf](#)

[BofFPC Special Meeting Minutes - August 25, 2025.pdf](#)

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

CLOSED SESSION

SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE: The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 5/120/2(c)(1)).

AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion: Eligibility Lists

[TMP-8960](#)

Ordinance Authorizing Amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners of the City of Joliet

[TMP-8961](#)

Attachments: [Proposed Changes to Rules and Regs of Board of Fire and Police Ordinance.pdf](#)

NEW OR OLD BUSINESS, NOT FOR FINAL ACTION OR RECOMMENDATION

PUBLIC COMMENT

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ADJOURNMENT

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Memo

File #: TMP-8876

Agenda Date:9/8/2025

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Meeting Minutes - Pending Approval

Monday, July 14, 2025

5:15 PM

Joliet Police Community Room

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Commission Members

Chairman Quinn Adamowski

John Stefanski

Tomas Ponce

Natalie Coleman

Herb Lande

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ROLL CALL

Present Quinn Adamowski, John Stefanski, Tomas Ponce and Natalie Coleman
Absent Herb Lande

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Carey, Police Deputy Chief Sherrie Blackburn, Assistant Corporation Counsel Stephanie Silkey

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes:

[TMP-8796](#)

BoFPC Regular Meeting - June 9, 2025
BoFPC Special Meeting - June 23, 2025

Attachments: [BoFPC Meeting Minute - June 9, 2025.pdf](#)
[BoFPC Special Meeting Minute - June 23 2025.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Natalie Coleman, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the minutes of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Regular Meeting for June 9, 2025.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Natalie Coleman, to approve the minutes of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Special Meeting for June 23, 2025.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary/Commissioner John Stefanski read the Secretary's Report into record: #11 Stefan Cetavich withdrew from the Police list on June 30, 2025 and #22 Andres Freites-Nunez was removed from the Police list as of July 14, 2025.

CLOSED SESSION

SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE(S): The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)).
None.

AGENDA ITEMS

Joliet Fire Department Promotions:

[ID-2161-20](#)

BATTALION CHIEFS:

Paul Yanak - Captain to Battalion Chief

John Miller - Captain to Battalion Chief

Jim Lukancic - Captain to Battalion Chief

CAPTAINS:

Craig Sayles - Lieutenant to Captain

Anthony Maffeo - Lieutenant to Captain

LIEUTENANTS

Anthony Frankovich - Apparatus Operator Paramedic to
Lieutenant

Nathan Kren - Apparatus Operator Paramedic to
Lieutenant

Fire Chief Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Captain Yanak's personnel file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Battalion Chief.

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by Natalie Coleman, to approve the promotion of Paul Yanak from Captain to Battalion Chief.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

Chief Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Captain Miller's personnel file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Battalion Chief.

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Natalie Coleman, to approve the promotion of John Miller from Captain to Battalion Chief.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

Chief Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Captain Lukancic's personnel file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Battalion

Chief.

A motion was made by Natalie Coleman, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the promotion of Jim Lukancic from Captain to Battalion Chief.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

Chief Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Lieutenant Sayles' personnel file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Captain.

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Natalie Coleman, to approve the promotion of Craig Sayles from Lieutenant to Captain.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

Chief Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Lieutenant Maffeo's personnel file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Captain.

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the promotion of Anthony Maffeo from Lieutenant to Captain.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

Chief Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Apparatus Operator Frankovich's personnel file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Lieutenant.

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Natalie Coleman, to approve the promotion of Anthony Frankovich from Apparatus Operator Paramedic to Lieutenant.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

Chief Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Apparatus Operator Kren's personnel file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Lieutenant.

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Natalie Coleman, to approve the promotion of Nathan Kren from Apparatus Operator Paramedic to

Lieutenant.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

NEW OR OLD BUSINESS, NOT FOR FINAL ACTION OR RECOMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to adjourn.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Coleman

Absent: Lande

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

5:00 PM

City Hall - Council Chambers

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Commission Members

Chairman Quinn Adamowski

John Stefanski

Tomas Ponce

Natalie Coleman

Herb Lande

Special Meeting

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ROLL CALL

Present Quinn Adamowski, John Stefanski, Tomas Ponce and Herb Lande
Absent Natalie Coleman

ALSO PRESENT: Police Chief William Evans, Deputy Chief Sherrie Blackburn, Deputy Chief Robert Brown, Deputy Chief, and Carlos Matlock.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

None.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by John Stefanski, to enter into closed session to discuss hiring of police officers.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande
Absent: Coleman

The meeting reconvened at approximately 5:19 p.m. with Chairman Adamowski, Secretary Stefanski, Commissioner Ponce, and Commissioner Lande in attendance. Commissioner Coleman was absent.

AGENDA ITEMS

Hiring Police Officers

[TMP-8809](#)

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the conditional hiring of Lateral Applicant #1 Jeffrey Gersch to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical exams.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande
Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Herb Lande, to approve the hiring of Entry Level Applicant #1 Carlos Zamora to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of Entry Level Applicant #2 Alexander Torres to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical exams.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the hiring of Entry Level Applicant #3 Shenoa Simmons to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Abstain: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the conditional hiring of Entry Level Applicant #5 Christopher Alexander to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical exams.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the hiring of Entry Level Applicant #6 Geoffrey Dodge to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of Entry Level Applicant #7 Aidan Bell to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical exams.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by Herb Lande, to approve the hiring of Entry Level Applicant #9 Sergio Paredes Bautista to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of Entry Level Applicant #10 Antonio Bedolla to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical exams.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the conditional hiring of Entry Level Applicant #14 Kevon Dorris to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical exams.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Abstain: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the hiring of Entry Level Applicant #15 William Dickman to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the hiring of Entry Level Applicant #16 Lucas Coyl to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the hiring of Entry Level Applicant #18 Aaliyah Nunez to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the hiring of Entry Level Applicant #21 Isaiah Robles to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to adjourn at approximately 5:26 p.m.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Lande, Stefanski and Ponce

Absent: Coleman

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Monday, August 25, 2025

5:30 PM

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Commission Members

Chairman Quinn Adamowski

John Stefanski

Tomas Ponce

Natalie Coleman

Herb Lande

Special Meeting

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ROLL CALL

Present Quinn Adamowski, John Stefanski, Tomas Ponce, Natalie Coleman and Herb Lande

ALSO PRESENT: Interim Corporation Counsel Todd Lenzie and Chief of Police William Evans

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

Pastor Dan Lewis spoke in support of Alfonso Sanchez.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

None.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

Conclusion of the Hearing of Charges for Alfonso Sanchez [TMP-8940](#)

Interim Corporation Counsel gave a brief recap of the Boards review of the Hearing of Charges. He restated the Order that was before Board for their consideration.

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Herb Lande, to adopt the Order to sustain charges to terminate Officer Sanchez.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce, Coleman and Lande

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to adjourn.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce, Coleman and Lande



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Memo

File #: TMP-8960

Agenda Date:9/8/2025



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Memo

File #: TMP-8961

Agenda Date: 9/8/2025

TO: Board of Fire & Police Commissioners

FROM: Todd Lenzie, Interim Corporation Counsel

SUBJECT:

Ordinance Authorizing Amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners of the City of Joliet

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES AND
REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF FIRE_
AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF JOLIET**

WHEREAS, pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/10-2.1-1, et seq., the Mayor and City Council established a Board of Fire and Police Commissioners by ordinance to administer and oversee the appointment, promotion and discipline of police officers and firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners have adopted Rules and Regulations governing the functions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 1, Section 8 of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, amendments to the rules of the Board may be made and are subject to approval by the Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS, on _____, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners agreed to the following proposed Amendments to Appendix A and Appendix B of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners is recommending to the Mayor and City Council that the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners be revised as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council hereby find and determine that the adoption of the amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners is in the best interests of the City of Joliet; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS, PURSUANT TO ITS STATUTORY AND HOME RULE AUTHORITY, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The Mayor and City Council approve the Amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

SECTION 2: Chapter II, Section 6, Appendix A, and Appendix B of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners are hereby amended as followed:

SECTION 6 - AGE REQUIREMENTS

Except as provided in 65 ILCS 5/10-2.1-6.3 (original appointments; full-time fire department), all Applicants shall be under 35 years of age. No person 35 years of age ~~of~~ or older shall be appointed to the position of firefighter or police officer.

Appendix A -Fire Department Preference Point

1. Persons who were engaged in the military service of the United States for a period of at least one (1) year of active duty and who were honorably discharged therefrom, or who are now or have been members on inactive or reserve duty in such military or naval service, shall be awarded five (5) preference points.

Proof of such military service must include a copy of the most current DD-214 (long form) as proof of active military service and evidence of the honorable discharge.

6. Additional preferences. Up to 5 additional preference points may be awarded for unique categories based on an applicant's experience or background as identified by the commission.

Appendix B – Police Department Preference Points

1. Persons who were engaged in the military service of the United States for a period of at least one (1) year of active duty and who were honorably discharged therefrom, or who are now or have been members on inactive or reserve duty in such military or naval service, not including persons who were convicted by court-martial of disobedience of orders, where such disobedience consisted of the refusal to perform military service on grounds of religious or conscientious objections against war, shall be awarded five (5) preference points.

Proof of such military service must include a copy of the most current DD-214 (long form) as proof of active military service and evidence of the honorable discharge.

6. Additional preferences. Up to 5 additional preference points may be awarded for unique categories based on an applicant's experience or background as identified by the commission.

SECTION 3: All Ordinances directly in conflict with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity of any portion hereof shall not invalidate the remainder.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT FROM AND AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND APPROVAL IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW.

PASSED this ____ day of ____, 2025

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

VOTING YES: _____

VOTING NO: _____

NOT VOTING: _____