

City of Joliet

150 West Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60432



Meeting Minutes - Pending Approval

Monday, February 24, 2025

5:00 PM

Special Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Commission Members

Chairman Quinn Adamowski

John Stefanski

Tomas Ponce

Natalie Coleman

Herb Lande

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

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Herb Lande, to approve the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners meeting minutes for 2/12/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

BOFPC 2-12-2025 Meeting Minutes

[TMP-8255](#)

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Stefanski read into the record for Joliet Fire Department - candidate #36 Hanna Spodarek was removed due to failure to meet requirements.

NEW OR OLD BUSINESS, NOT FOR FINAL ACTION OR RECOMMENDATION

None.

CLOSED SESSION

The meeting reconvened with 4 members still present and 1 absent.

A motion was made by Herb Lande, and seconded by John Stefanski to approve the closed session. The motion carried by the following votes:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

JOLIET POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTION

OFFICER RACHEL SMITHBERG TO SERGEANT SMITHBERG

A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the promotion of Officer Rachel Smithberg to Sergeant. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

HIRING OF JOLIET FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDICS

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A motion was made by Herb Lande, seconded by John Stefanski, to not approve the hiring of #24 Marco Acosta. The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande, and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #25 Tyler Gannon to Firefighter Paramedic pending a physical and vision test.

The motion carries by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #26 Kevin Valdez to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #28 Pauly Fris to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #29 Zachary Sochacki to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #31 William Lacey to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #32 Blake Brandenburg to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #34 Joseph Batusich to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #37 Shaun Fusco to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #38 Alexander Guerrero to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #39 Jeffrey Iwanaga to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #41 Connor Ludwig to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #43 Oscar Villanueva to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to not approve the hiring of #45 Patrick Hardin

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #46 Pat Strocchia III to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

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A motion was made by Herb Lande and seconded by John Stefanski, to approve the conditional hiring of #47 Ceasar Craig to Fire Fighter Paramedic pending passing a physical and vision test.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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ADJOURNMENT

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

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Lande

Absent: Coleman