

City of Joliet

150 West Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60432



Meeting Minutes - Pending Approval

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

5:30 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Commission Members

Chairman Quinn Adamowski

Natalie Coleman

Tomas Ponce

John Stefanski

Pat Strocchia

SPECIAL MEETING

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 Pat Strocchia
Absent Natalie Coleman

ALSO PRESENT: Fire Chief Jeff Carey, Police Chief Bill Evans, Deputy Chief John Stachleski, Deputy Chief Blackburn, Deputy Chief Brown, Deputy Chief

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes: [TMP-9635](#)

Board of Fire & Police Commissioners Meeting - February 9, 2026
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Attachments: [BofFPC Meeting Minutes - February 9, 2026.pdf](#)
[BofFPC Meeting Minutes - March 9, 2026.pdf](#)

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the Minutes of the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners Meeting - February 9, 2026.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the minutes of the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners Meeting - March 9, 2026.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

SECRETARY’S REPORT

Secretary/Commissioner Stefanski read the Secretary's Report into record: Police Department - Certified Lateral List #9 Darin Van Patter was removed for failure to meet requirements on February 18, 2026.

JOLIET FIRE DEPARTMENT - AGENDA ITEMS

Joliet Fire Department - Promotion to Captain:

[TMP-9636](#)

Rick Netcel - Lieutenant to Captain

Fire Chief Jeff Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Richard Netcel's file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Captain.

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the promotion of Rick Netcel to Captain.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

Joliet Fire Department - Promotion to Lieutenant:

[TMP-9637](#)

Cory Brenzewki - Apparatus Operator to Lieutenant

Fire Chief Jeff Carey informed the Commissioners he reviewed Cory Brenzewki's file and found no reason he should not be promoted to Lieutenant.

A motion was made by Pat Strocchia, seconded by John Stefanski, to approve promotion Cory Brenzewki to Lieutenant.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

Joliet Fire Department 2026-2028 New Hire Eligibility List Approval

[TMP-9653](#)

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the Joliet Fire Department 2026-2028 New Hire Eligibility List.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Stefanski, seconded by Strocchia, to enter into closed session to discuss specific personnel (5 ILCS 5/120/2(c)(1)).

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Tom Ponce, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to reconvene the meeting at approximately 5:53 with Commissioners: Quinn Adamowski, John Stefanski, Tom Ponce and Pat Strocchia present and Natalie Coleman absent.

JOLIET POLICE DEPARTMENT - AGENDA ITEM

Hiring of Joliet Patrol Officers

[TMP-9652](#)

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the conditional hiring of entry level applicant #44 Austin Thompson to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical examinations.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the conditional hiring of entry level applicant #64 Jose Hernandez to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical examinations.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve to approve the conditional hiring of entry level applicant #66 Terry Alexander to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical examinations.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the conditional hiring of entry level applicant #70 Leroy Munoz Jr to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the conditional hiring of entry level applicant #75 Symphony Campbell to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical examinations.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Pat Strocchia, seconded by Tomas Ponce, to approve the conditional hiring of entry level applicant #88 Ma-Teejenal Smith to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical examinations.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the conditional hiring of certified lateral applicant #3 David Benes to the Joliet Police Department.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Nay: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by Tomas Ponce, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the conditional hiring of certified lateral applicant #5 Alicia Headrick to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical examinations.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

A motion was made by John Stefanski, seconded by Pat Strocchia, to approve the conditional hiring of certified lateral applicant #8 Brenden A'Hearn to the Joliet Police Department pending successful completion of his vision and medical examinations.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman

NEW OR OLD BUSINESS, NOT FOR FINAL ACTION OR RECOMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Stefanski, seconded by Strocchia, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:59 p.m.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Adamowski, Stefanski, Ponce and Strocchia

Absent: Coleman