

**CITY OF FRANKLIN
POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION MEETING
FRANKLIN CITY HALL HEARING ROOM
9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin
Thursday, February 12, 2026 @ 12:15 p.m.**

MINUTES

I. The February 12, 2026 Police & Fire Commission Meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by Commission President Mineo in the Franklin City Hall Hearing Room. Members present were Commissioners Mineo, Donohoo, Martins, and Klusman. Commissioner Schnagl was excused. Also in attendance were Director of Administration Hersh, Mayor John Nelson, Fire Chief James Mayer, Assistant EMS Chief Shannon Anthoine, Battalion Chief Paul Rynders, Police Chief Craig Liermann, Assistant Police Chief Eric Stowers, Police Captain Steve Hintz, Police Captain Jason Ireland, Branndyn Mullikin, and FF/Paramedic Dirk Herrema.

II. Approval of the Minutes from the 12/17/2025 meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Martins and seconded by Commissioner Donohoo to approve the minutes from 12/17/2025 as amended. Motion Carried: Ayes – All.

III. Promotion of Fire Department Lieutenant – The Promotion of Firefighter/Paramedic Dirk Herrema to Lieutenant.

Motion by Commissioner Martins and seconded by Commissioner Donohoo to approve the promotion of Firefighter/Paramedic Dirk Herrema to Lieutenant. Motion Carried: Ayes – All.

IV. Hiring of Police Patrol Officer – The Hiring of Branndyn Mullikin as a City of Franklin Police Patrol Officer from the Police Patrol Officer Hiring Process—Existing Officers.

Motion by Commissioner Klusman and seconded by Commissioner Martins to approve the hiring of Branndyn Mullikin as a City of Franklin Police Patrol officer from the Police Patrol Officer Hiring Process—Existing Officers. Motion Carried: Ayes – All.

V. Police and Fire Department Informational Items

Fire Department:

-25% increase over the last 5 years

-hiring two firefighters in April; one Lieutenant retiring in April; down three employees

-Bringing back Fire Department newsletter

Police Department:

-Accreditation Coordinator new hire is funded through a grant for all of year 2026 and maybe in 2027.

-Fully staffed except for two unfunded positions.

VI. Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Items

A meeting will be needed mid-March to review a PD complaint and distribution of procedure rules.

VII. Adjournment.

Motion made by Commissioner Martins and seconded by Commissioner Klusman to adjourn the February 12, 2026 Police & Fire Commission Meeting. Motion Carried: Ayes – All.