

Police, Fire & Personnel Committee Meeting

5:30 PM, June 16, 2026

City of Galesville

Meeting was called to order by Chair Jean Seely at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Member	Present (Y/N)
Jean Seely	Yes
Jesse Swing	Yes
Bruce Bender	Yes

Also Present: Tom Thatcher, Jennifer Hess, Dustin Barton, Todd Peterson

Jean Seely certified that open meeting requirements had been met by properly posting of the agenda.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion	Made By	2nd	Ayes	Nays	Pass/Fail
Approve the Police, Fire & Personnel Committee minutes from June 4, 2026.	Jesse	Bruce	3	0	Pass

Overview of renewal rates for Group Health Insurance from Quartz for 2026-2027

The estimate from Quartz increases the cost by 31% with high copays, and other fees.

We will have more meetings over the next few months to finalize the city insurance.

Jennifer to bring options back to the committee.

No action taken.

Approve or deny a new police vehicle for 2027 budget year

Open questions:

- What is the current operating procedure to maintain a vehicle?
- What is the cost to get the engine replaced and the Catalytic Converter?
- Review of the maintenance procedure
- Define requirements for oil changing materials

Motion	Made By	2nd	Ayes	Nays	Pass/Fail
Table the Approve or deny a new police vehicle for 2027 budget year until the next Policy, Fire, and Personnel committee meeting.	Bruce	Jesse	3	0	Pass

Approve reallocation of current funds within the police department budget from training to equipment for the purchase patrol rifles

Motion	Made By	2nd	Ayes	Nays	Pass/Fail
Motion to reallocated police funds of \$4605 from policy training to policy equipment accounts.	Bruce	Jesse	3	0	pass

Establish the qualifications, hiring criteria and job description for the Police Chief position.

Must do background check and Behavioral analysis.

Options were presented to the committee for the hiring process.

Consider having a police commission or committee in place before the next police chief is hired.

ADJOURNMENT.

Motion	Made By	2nd	Ayes	Nays	Pass/Fail
Motion to adjourn.	Bruce	Jesse	3	0	pass