



# LANSING POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Lansing Police Department – Headquarters  
120 W. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933

The Board of Police Commissioners met in regular session and the meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Chair Jones.

**Present:** Commissioner Members: Bitely, Brewster, Cotton, Farhat, Jones, and Watkins. Also present: Chief Robert Backus, Assistant City Attorney Matt Staples, CI A’Keydra Abrams and Ruth Grant.

**Excused Absence:** Chair Jones placed a motion to excuse the absence of Commissioner Milton from this meeting; seconded by Commissioners Brewster and Farhat.

By Vote: Yeas: 6  
Nays: 0

**Unexcused Absence:** Commissioner Omar.

Public Attendees: 1

Roll call was taken and quorum was present.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Lead by Chair Jones.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None.

**Additions To The Agenda:** None.

**Approval Of Agenda:** Chair Jones moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Watkins made the motion to approve Commissioner Bitely seconding the motion.

**Consent Agenda:** Chair Jones moved for approval of agenda items:

- a) Approval of Meeting Minutes: June 17, 2025
- b) Approval of May and June 2025 Departmental Reports

Chair Jones moved to approve the minutes. Commissioners Bitely and Watkins made the motion with Commissioner Farhat seconding the motion.

By Vote:  
Yeas: 6  
Nays: 0

**EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION:** Lieutenant Corey Campbell, Training Unit - Continuing Professional Education for Law Enforcement

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT** - Chief Robert Backus

**LEGAL UPDATE** – Assistant City Attorney Matt Staples

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**HUMAN RESOURCES** – Commissioner Cotton.

**COMMISSION INVESTIGATOR REPORT:**

For May: Internal Affairs opened 11 cases and closed 1.  
Commission Investigator opened 1 case and closed 1.

For June: Internal Affairs opened 2 cases and closed 8.  
Commission Investigator opened 2 cases and closed 2.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Budget – No report.
- Government/Community Liaison Committee – No report.
- Awards and Incentives Committee – No report.
- Ad Hoc Committee – No report.
- Citizen Complaint Oversight Committee – The committee met last month.
- Recruitment and Hiring - No report.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS** – (Informational)

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** One public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at: 6:36 pm by Chair Jones

Submitted by:  
Ruth Grant  
Board of Police Commissioners Secretary

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