

CITY OF LANSING | FIRE DEPARTMENT

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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Andy Schor, Mayor
Carrie Edwards-Clemons, Fire Chief

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11TH 2026 | 5:30 PM |

STATION ONE | 120 E. Shiawassee St. | LANSING MI

1. Call to Order – Establish Quorum

March 11, 2026

5:35 PM

1.1. Present

Krishna Singh

Jerrold LaRue

Jon Scott

Charles Willis

Steve Purchase

Attorney's Office

Elizabeth Krochmalny

Guest

Fire Chief Carrie Edwards- Clemons

Captain Neal

BC Michael Clevenger

Captain Lina Nowland

Union President Adam Gaukel

FF Cooper Woodward

Human Resource

Elizabeth O'Leary

1.2. Absent

Barabara Lawrence

Gina Nelson

2. Additions to Agenda

None.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1. February Meeting – Feb. 11th

Commissioner Jon Scott made the motion to approve the minutes.

Fire Commissioners

1st Ward Barbara Lawrence, Chair

2nd Ward Jerrod LaRue

3rd Ward Vacant

4th Ward Gina Nelson

At Large Steve Purchase

At Large Jon Scott

At Large Charles Willis

At Large Krishna Singh, Vice Chair

Commissioner Jerrod LaRue seconded the motion.

Commissioner Krishna Singh, Commissioner Charles Willis, and Commissioner Steve Purchase were present for the vote.

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Comment – Agenda Items (time limit: 3 minutes)

L421 President Adam Gaukel spoke regarding FF Cooper Woodward’s sick leave advancement request. He expressed strong support for Woodward as a new member of the department and emphasized the importance of supporting firefighters early in their careers.

He noted that Woodward has shown commitment and work ethic, and that advancing sick leave would help him remain on duty and continue contributing to the department.

No additional public comments were made on agenda items.

5. Review Communications

Fire Chief Edwards-Clemons reported no communication or comments submitted regarding minutes or agenda items.

6. Comments from Chair

Chair Singh reported attending a constituency meeting and raised concerns about the impact of new large-scale developments on fire department resources and the need for increased funding.

7. Presentations

None.

8. Fire Administration Report

Chief reported:

Waiting for policies to return from HR; another packet reviewed.

Creating a spreadsheet alternating between policy and procedure.

All administrative policies are coming back from OCA; Chief will resend them.

City Attorney Liz stated Chief will send them to Commissioner Lawrence and blind-cc as needed.

Upcoming meeting with Chief Ball regarding the MABAS agreement.

Discussion on the 10-year Stryker contract and concerns about double-paying.

Discussion on billing insurance for accident responses and improving EMS billing to capture missed revenue.

Discussion on inability to recoup training costs when firefighters leave; City Attorney Liz stated options are limited.

Commissioner discussion included:

Concern that LFD is “becoming their department.”

Questions about what equipment is included in the Stryker contract (Protective gear, AEDs, equipment, coats).

Billing for car crashes and recovering costs.

Reference to a repayment program.

9. Old Business

None.

10. New Business

10.1 Sick leave advancement request for FF Cooper Woodward

Local 421 and FF Woodward addressed the Board.

Request was for 240 hours of sick leave advancement.

Woodward stated he is in East Lansing and enjoys working with LFD.

Motion by Commissioner Purchase; second by Jerrod LaRue; unanimously approved.

11. Requests for Commissioners to be Excused

Requests submitted by Commissioner Barbara Lawrence and Commissioner Gina Nelson.

Motion by Commissioner Purchase; second by Jerrod LaRue; approved.

12. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Purchase stated he will not be present next month due to work.

Commissioner Willis thanked Administration for the cards.

13. Public Comment (on any matter – speakers must state their name and address; time limit 3 minutes)

L421 President Adam Gaukel thanked the Board for approving light-duty advancement and discussed retention and infrastructure cost-sharing.

BC Mike Clevenger expressed appreciation for FF Woodward.

Captain Lina Nowland thanked the Board and highlighted training needs and specialized programming.

14. General Order

The Chair noted there were no additional general orders for the Board at this time.

15. Adjournment

6:09 PM.