

**Caledonia Board of Police and Fire Commissioners Meeting  
March 24, 2025**

**1 – Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mark Schulz at 5:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** 5 – Janet Brown, Gary Solfest, Mark Lendvay, John Becker, and Mark Schulz

**EXCUSED:** 0

**STAFF/OTHER:** Fire Chief Walter Leininger

**2 – Meeting Minutes**

**Motion made by** John Becker and seconded by Gary Solfest to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2025 meeting. **Motion unanimously approved.**

**3 – Discussion on updating the entry level firefighter/paramedic requirements and the Racine County Fire Academy.**

**Motion made by** Janet Brown and seconded by Gary Solfest to approve new Firefighter/Paramedic hiring requirements. Pre-hire requirement-: CPAT, Fire 1, EMT Basic. Paramedic and Fire 2, within 18 months. **Motion unanimously approved.**

**4 – Closed Session** pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85 (1) (c) and (e) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility and deliberating or negotiating, and conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session; **specifically**, to consider promotions to Lieutenant and Battalion Chief, and to interview firefighter/paramedic candidates.

**At 5:58 p.m. a motion** was made by John Becker to go into closed session, seconded by Mark Lendvay. **Motion unanimously approved.**

**5 – Reconvene in Open Session to take possible action on items discussed during the Closed Session and to move on to the remaining items on the agenda.**

**At 8:35 p.m. a motion** was made by John Becker to reconvene in open session, seconded by Mark Lendvay. **Motion unanimously approved.**

**Motion made by** Mark Lendvay and seconded by Gary Solfest to promote Andrew Pritzl from Lieutenant to Battalion Chief. **Motion unanimously approved.**

**Motion made by** John Becker and seconded by Gary Solfest to Promote Alexander Hagen from Firefighter to Lieutenant. **Motion unanimously approved.**

**Motion made by** Janet Brown and seconded by John Becker to move 6 Candidates forward for Firefighter/Paramedic. **Motion unanimously approved.**

**6 – Adjournment**

**At 8:43 p.m. a motion was made by** Mark Lendvay and seconded by John Becker to adjourn the commission meeting. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Brown  
Caledonia Police and Fire Commission Secretary