

# Wauwatosa, WI

## Milwaukee Metro Joint Fire Commission

### Meeting Minutes

7725 W. North Avenue  
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

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Thursday, May 21, 2026

5:30 PM

Wauwatosa City Hall  
Committee Room #1

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#### CALL TO ORDER

*City Attorney Kail Decker of West Allis called the meeting order at 5:30 p.m.*

#### ROLL CALL

*Also present:*

- Kail Decker, West Allis City Attorney*
- Beth Mbow, Wauwatosa Human Resources Director*
- Chief Barbara Kadrich, Wauwatosa Fire Department*

**Present 6**      Commissioner Aletha Champine  
                         Commissioner James Moldenhauer  
                         Commissioner Phillip Morris  
                         Commissioner Amy Heron  
                         Commissioner Nikki Curtis  
                         Commissioner Dave Owens

#### INTRODUCTIONS

*Introductions were made by all commissioners and attendees present.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Nomination and election of candidates for Joint Commission President and Vice President

[26-0959](#)

*President:*

*Nomination by Commissioner Moldenhauer of Commissioner Champine for President of the Joint Fire Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Morris*

*There were no further nominations. Nominations closed.*

*Proceed to verbal vote. 6 in favor. 0 opposed.*

*Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.*

*Commissioner Champine was elected President.*

*Vice President:*

*Nomination by Commissioner Heron of Commissioner Curtis for Vice President of the Joint Fire Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Champine.*

*There were no further nominations. Nominations closed.*

*Proceed to verbal vote. 6 in favor. 0 opposed.*

*Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.*

*Commissioner Curtis was elected Vice President.*

*Secretary:*

*President Champine nominated Commissioner Morris for Secretary of the Joint Fire Commission.*

*Seconded by Commissioner Owens.*

*There were no further nominations.*

*Proceed to verbal vote. 6 in favor. 0 opposed.*

*Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.*

*Commissioner Morris appointed Secretary.*

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**Aye: 6** Commissioner Champine, Commissioner Moldenhauer, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner Heron, Commissioner Curtis, and Commissioner Owens

**2.** Overview of Joint Fire Commission duties and authorities [26-0960](#)

*Kail Decker, West Allis City Attorney, provided an overview of the Milwaukee Metro Joint Fire Commission, including its duties, authorities, and operational framework.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

**3.** Discussion and consideration of approval of Fire Chief recruitment process [26-0961](#)

*Beth Mbow, City of Wauwatosa HR Director, presented information regarding a proposed national fire chief recruitment process.*

*The Commission discussed the proposed process, timeline, and future considerations related to the recruitment effort.*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

**4.** Discussion regarding future meeting schedule and locations [26-0962](#)

*The Commission discussed establishing a recurring meeting cadence utilizing rotating meeting locations between West Allis and Wauwatosa.*

*Discussion included holding meetings on the second Wednesday of each month, with the next meeting scheduled to take place in West Allis in June 2026, and alternating locations thereafter*

**RESULT:** INFORMATIONAL ONLY

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Curtis. Seconded by Commissioner Morris. Motion carried unanimously.*

*Meeting adjourned at 6:46 P.M.*