

# Minutes

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Monday, June 09, 2025

7:00 P.M.

Police Training Room, Fourth Floor  
Municipal Building, Jamestown, New York

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jeff Russell, Councilman Paterniti, Councilman William Reynolds III

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: City Clerk Jennifer R. John, Police Chief/Director of Public Safety Timothy Jackson, Interim Deputy Fire Chief Ryan Roush

Councilman Russell called the meeting to order.

### **Opportunities for Public Comment**

Gary Templin of 18 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Jamestown, appeared before the Public Safety Committee to discuss the music at the Labyrinth/Brazil. He is asking for the volume to be lowered during their performances. He is also asking that the speakers be turned toward their property, and away from his.

Russell Latona of 315 Pine Street, Jamestown, appeared before the Public Safety Committee to echo Mr. Templin's comments regarding the music. The noise level is loud in the Templin's home. They are looking to find solutions for a happy medium. He suggested placing sound reducing panels on either side of the stairwell where the musicians are playing.

Councilman Russell noted that he would be happy to speak with Jeff James about the concerns and the idea of the sound barriers.

### **Resolutions**

1. WHEREAS, on January 22, 2002 the Jamestown City Council adopted resolution number 200201C03 that effective immediately and until further notice instituted a hiring freeze for the City of Jamestown, and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2006 the Jamestown City Council adopted resolution number 200611B17 to extend the freeze to any change in employment from Part-Time to Full-Time status, and

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that within the Jamestown Fire Department, an effort to effectively manage the city's day-to-day responsibilities in a cost-efficient manner, it is

in the City of Jamestown's best interest to lift the hiring freeze for a certain position, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that effective immediately the Jamestown City Council hereby suspends the hiring freeze instituted by resolution number 200201C03 and resolution number 200611B17 and authorizes the filling of the following position(s) due to the essential nature of the position(s):

Four (4) full-time firefighters to fill current vacancies within the Jamestown Fire Department.

Note: Funding included in the 2025 General Fund Budget.

It was noted that the academy begins July 31 and concludes 10/30/2025. The canvass has begun on a brand-new list.

- This resolution also appears on the Finance Agenda.

Councilman Reynolds moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Paterniti

Carried: 3 – 0

2. RESOLVED, That four (4) Recruit Firefighters be hereby authorized to attend the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control – Recruit Firefighter Training Program, as conducted by the New York State Academy of Fire Science, located at 600 College Avenue, Montour Falls, NY 14865, beginning July 21, 2025 and concluding October 30, 2025 with fees and expenses paid pursuant to Section 77-b of the General Municipal Laws of the State of New York.

- This resolution also appears on the Finance Agenda.

Councilman Reynolds moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Paterniti

Carried: 3 – 0

3. WHEREAS, the County of Chautauqua heretofore applied for State funding under the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services STRIVE Grant Program for 2025 and,

WHEREAS, the County's application has been approved and a portion of the grant funds must be shared with the City of Jamestown Police Department, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Police Chief be and they hereby are authorized and directed to participate in STRIVE for the period of March 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026

with funding in the amount of Three Hundred Nine Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifteen Dollars and No Cents (\$309,815.00) provided by the State of New York.

The District Attorney's office is handling personnel. This requires a lot of collaboration with other agencies. This is the largest grant for Domestic Violence ever received. The STRIVE coordinator and analyst will be shared by all of the agencies involved.

- This resolution also appears on the Finance Agenda.

### **Informational Report**

Block Party: hosted by Mary Maxwell (Park West's Wild Westside Every Odd Year Block Sale Party), on Fullerton Avenue from Royal to Woodworth. To be held on Saturday, August 02, 2025 (rain date of August 09, 2025) from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Councilman Reynolds moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Paterniti.

Carried: 3 – 0

Special Event: Labyrinth Summer Music Series, to be held on various dates in May through September, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:45 p.m. (including set up and tear down). This event was approved electronically by the Public Safety Committee.

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Special Event: Jamestown Juneteenth Festival – Winter Garden Plaza, to be held on Friday, June 20, 2025 at the Wintergarden Plaza, from 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. (including set up and tear down).

Councilman Paterniti moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

Carried: 3 – 0

Special Event: Jamestown Juneteenth Festival – Jackson Taylor Park, to be held on Saturday, June 21 and Sunday, June 22, 2025, at Jackson Taylor Park from 7:00 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. (including set up and tear down).

Councilman Paterniti moved to approved, seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

Carried: 3 – 0

Special Event: Fireworks Display at the Tarp Skunk Games, to be held on July 03, and July 25, 2025, at dusk following the baseball games.

Councilman Reynolds moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Paterniti.

Carried: 3 – 0

Special Event: Jamestown Farmers Market 5K, to be held on Saturday, August 16, 2025 from 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. (including set up and tear down).

Councilman Reynolds moved to approved, seconded by Councilman Paterniti.

Carried: 3 – 0

Special Event: Whirlybird Music & Arts Festival, to be held on Friday, August 29, 2025 at the Winter Garden Plaza, from 12:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. (including set up and tear down).

Councilman Paterniti moved to approve, seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

Carried: 3 – 0

Questions were raised regarding the Wine Cellar patio being shut down. Chief Jackson is aware of the situation and noted that the decision did not come from the JPD. He wasn't able to discuss further information at this time.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

City Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer R. John