



# Madison Police and Fire Commission Monthly Report

Stephanie Drescher, Captain of Police

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January 2025

## Promotions and Probationary Status

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### PFC Approval—Interim Approval for Promoted Positions (Step 1)

Name, Promoted Rank	Prior Rank	Effective Date
Livia Novitzke, Lieutenant	Sergeant	03/16/2025
Lucas Hale, Sergeant	Police Officer	03/16/2025

### PFC Approval—File Review and Candidate Discussion (Step 2/Step 3)

Name, Promoted Rank	Current Rank	Effective Date
Tyler Hess, Detective	Police Officer	02/02/2025

### PFC Approval—Completion of Probationary Period (Step 4)

Name, Promoted Rank	Off Probation Date
Kyle Walling, Police Officer	1/30/2025
Jacob Voight, Police Officer	1/30/2025
Jason Baumgart, Sergeant	1/21/2025
Kellen Dzick, Detective	2/4/2025
Daniel Frei, Sergeant	1/21/2025
Bradley Frias, Detective	2/4/2025
Ruben Gonzalez, Detective	2/4/2025
Alexa Graham, Detective	2/4/2025
Pamela Hallsson, Investigator	2/4/2025
Ashley Knapp, Detective	2/4/2025
Jared La Porta, Detective	2/4/2025
Jessica Sosoka, Sergeant	1/21/2025

### Probationary Status Extension

Name, Rank	Revised Off Probation Date
None	

### PFC Notice of Acting Promotion

Name, Promoted Rank - Acting	Prior Rank
Korrie Rondorf, Detective	Police Officer

## Retirements and Resignations

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Name, Rank	MPD Start	Effective Date
Isabelle Jahnke, Police Officer	May of 2022	January 9, 2025

## 2024-2025 Hiring Process Updates

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- 2024-2025 Hiring List Consideration and Possible Action: None (0)
- 2024-2024 Eligibility List Consideration and Possible Action: Twenty-nine (29) candidates for consideration and potential approval.

## 2024-2025 Promotional Process Updates

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- None

## 2025 Pre-Service Academy Update

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- None

## PSIA Report/Discipline Attachments and Notices

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- Professional Standards Open Case Memo
- No suspensions requiring notification to the PFC

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Jenna Rousseau, Counsel for PFC  
Andy Schauer, Assistant City Attorney  
Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

**Madison Police Department**  
***CORRESPONDENCE / MEMORANDUM***

Date: December 26, 2024

To: All Personnel

From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

Re: **Promotion Announcement**

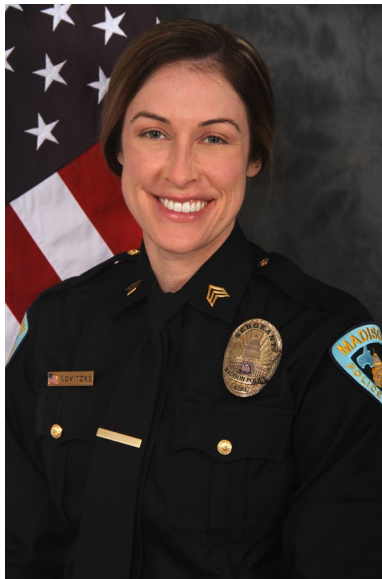
It is my pleasure to announce to the organization the following promotion, contingent on the approval of the Police and Fire Commission:

**Sergeant Livia Novitzke to Lieutenant**

Sergeant Livia Novitzke started her career with the MPD in May of 2012. She was promoted to Sergeant in 2020. Sergeant Novitzke is currently assigned to Community Outreach and Resource Education. During her career with MPD, Sergeant Novitzke has been a patrol officer, narcotics task force undercover officer, patrol sergeant, CPT sergeant, SET sergeant, field training sergeant, investigative support officer, mental health liaison officer, a drug recognition expert, and an adjunct instructor. She also interned with our agency before being hired.

Sergeant Novitzke attended Marquette University and graduated *cum laude* with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and Criminology.

Please join me in congratulating Sergeant Novitzke on this well-deserved accomplishment!



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Date: December 26, 2024

To: All Personnel

From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

Re: **Promotion Announcement**

It is my pleasure to announce to the organization the following promotion, contingent on the approval of the Police and Fire Commission:

**Police Officer Lucas Hale to Sergeant**

Police Officer Lucas Hale started his career with the MPD in September of 2017. He is currently a neighborhood police officer in our West District. During his tenure with the MPD, Officer Hale has been a patrol officer, a field training officer, a background investigator, an investigative support officer, a member of MPD's Honor Guard, a peer support officer, a pilot for our Unmanned Aircraft System unit, a member of our bike team, an adjunct instructor, and a member of our Special Events Team (Medic Team).

Officer Hale was a police officer with the City of Fitchburg Police Department for 8 years prior to being hired at the MPD. He was also an emergency medical technician for 13 years with the City of Stoughton Emergency Medical Services.

Officer Hale graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. He also attended Madison College and Fox Valley Technical College for training in law enforcement, emergency medical technician, and entry level fire fighter.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Hale on this well-deserved accomplishment!





CITY OF MADISON POLICE DEPARTMENT



**INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE**

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Date: January 2, 2025

To: Police and Fire Commission  
From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police  
Subject: **Final Recommendation for Police Officers**

I have reviewed the work performance of the below-named officers with their command staff and I recommend that they be granted permanent status as of January 30, 2025.

Kyle Walling    Jacob Voigt



CITY OF MADISON POLICE DEPARTMENT



INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: January 2, 2025

To: Police and Fire Commission
From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police
Subject: Final Promotional Approvals

The below-listed personnel have successfully performed their duties in their ranks listed during the interim promotional periods. I recommend each of them for final appointment at their ranks as of the dates provided.

Table with 3 columns: Employee Name, Rank, Off Probation Date. Rows include Jason Baumgart, Daniel Frei, Jessica Sosoka, Pamela Hallsson, Ashley Knapp, Kellen Dzick, Alexa Graham, Jared La Porta, Bradley Frias, and Ruben Gonzalez.

**Madison Police Department**  
***CORRESPONDENCE / MEMORANDUM***

Date: December 5, 2024

To: All Personnel

From: Shon F. Barnes, Chief of Police

Re: **Acting Promotion Announcement**

It is my pleasure to announce to the organization the following acting promotion:

**Police Officer Korrie Rondorf to Acting Detective**

Police Officer Korrie Rondorf started with the MPD in May of 2020. She is currently assigned to patrol services in our Central District (2<sup>nd</sup> detail). Officer Rondorf is a member of MPD's Honor Guard, a mental health liaison officer, a domestic violence liaison officer, public information officer back-up, a backgrounder, and a recruitment mentor.

Officer Rondorf graduated from Western Illinois University with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science-Pre Law, with minors in Criminal Justice and Criminology. She also obtained an Associate's Degree in Arts from McHenry County College.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Rondorf on this well-deserved accomplishment!

