My name is Joe Loughran. I am a retired firefighter, having served over 34 years with the Austin Fire Department. During those 34 years I worked as a Firefighter, Fire Specialist(driver), Operations Lieutenant, Lieutenant Investigator, Captain of Facilities, Operations Captain, and Safety Battalion Chief. I have experience in specialties, to include but not limited to, Haz-Mat, Fire and Arson Investigation, Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF), and Administration (to include purchasing and budgeting).

I taught Fire and Arson Investigation for ACC from 2015-2024 and it was during this time that I began to work closely with Chief Landi and the members of the Jollyville Fire Department, as I have used the JVFD classroom facility for the past 6 years.

I have been a member of the community since 2001, when my wife and I bought a house in the area. We have strong ties to this community as we raised three daughters in that time with all three of my daughters going to Pond Spring elementary, Deer Park Middle School, and McNeil High School, respectively.

I have a strong desire to serve the community. Aside from the 34+ years I spent in public service, I have also been a volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Austin as well as Habitat for Humanity, and other Church based activities.