

CITY OF DALTON
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES
APRIL 23, 2024

The regular meeting for the Public Safety Commission was held today in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Present were Chairman Truman Whitfield, Commissioners Alex Brown, Terry Mathis, Lane Jackson, Fire Chief Matt Daniel, Police Chief Cliff Cason, City Attorney Jonathan Bledsoe, City Administrator Andrew Parker, Assistant City Administrator Todd Pangle, and Mayor Annalee Sams.

AGENDA APPROVAL

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson the Commission approved the agenda as presented

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Fire Department – Certificate of Commendation

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented Firefighter Keith Locke with the Fire Department’s Certificate of Commendation for providing aid to an individual in cardiac arrest on March 11, 2024. The commission thanked and commended Firefighter Keith Locke.

Fire Department – Promotion

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the Commission promoted Captain Chad Young to the Rank of Battalion Chief. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no public comments.

MINUTES

The Commissioners were presented written copies of the regular meeting minutes for March 26, 2024. On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Mathis, the minutes were approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime and Crash Statistics for March 2024

Police Chief Cliff Cason gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of March 2024. As noted in the written summary, Chief Cason reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 17.11% lower and Part II crimes are approximately 16.2% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Chief Cason further reported there were 136 non-private property crashes reported for the month and crashes increased over the previous month.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the report was approved. The complete report in its entirety is a part of these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Financial Statistics for March 2024

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of March 2024. Chief Cason reported the department has expended 20.7% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the financial report was approved. The complete report in its entirety is a part of these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Written Directive Review

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the following Written Directive reviews for approval:

- 4.18 Public Safety Cadet Program
- 4.19 Emergency Death, Serious Injury, or Serious Illness
- 6.1 Emergency Call-Out and Notifications
- 6.2 Hazardous Materials Incident Response
- 6.7 Automated Emergency Notification System

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Mathis, the Commission adopted the Written Directives. The written directives are a part of these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Statistical Report – March 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the March 2024 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Daniel outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 302 Total Responses, an Injuries and Property Report, Incident List by Incident Number, Training Division Monthly Report, Fire Safety Division Monthly Report and the Inspection Summary.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the Commissioners approved the Statistical Report for the Fire Department. A copy of the report is a part of these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Monthly Financial Report – March 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the Financial Report for the month of March 2024 to the Commission. Chief Daniel stated the department has expended 20% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the Commissioners approved the Financial Report for the Fire Department. A copy of the report is a part of these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, on the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

Alex Brown, Secretary