

CITY OF DALTON  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 26, 2024

The regular meeting for the Public Safety Commission was held today at the Dalton Police Department's conference room. Present were Chairman Truman Whitfield, Commissioners Terry Mathis, Alex Brown, Lane Jackson, Mayor Annalee Sams, Fire Chief Matt Daniel, Police Chief Cliff Cason, City Attorney Jonathan Bledsoe, and Assistant City Administrator Todd Pangle. City Administrator Andrew Parker was absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Mayor Sams, the Commission approved the agenda as presented.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Fire Department – New Recruits (no paperwork)

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the Commission approved Darrell Summey and Gavin Steel as new Dalton Fire Department Firefighters. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no public comments.

MEETING DATES

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Mayor Sams, the Commissioner approved the following 2025 PSC meeting dates. The vote was unanimous in favor.

3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month
• January 21, 2025
• February 18, 2025
• March 18, 2025
• April 15, 2025
• May 20, 2025
• June 17, 2025
• July 15, 2025
• August 19, 2025
• September 16, 2025
• October 21, 2025
• November 18, 2025
• December 16, 2025

MINUTES

The Commissioners were presented written copies of the regular meeting minutes of December 17, 2024. On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the minutes were approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Crime and Crash Statistics for November 2024

Police Chief Cliff Cason gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of November 2024. As noted in the written summary, Chief Cason reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 22.15% lower, Part II crimes are approximately 21.6% lower, violent crimes are approximately 26.9% lower, and Property Crimes are approximately 21.6% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Chief Cason further reported there were 125 non-private property crashes reported for the month, a decrease from the previous month.

On the motion of Commissioner Mathis, second Commissioner Brown, the November Crime and Crash statistic report was approved. The complete report in its entirety is a part of these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

### Financial Statistics for November 2024

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of November 2024. Chief Cason reported the department has expended 88.6% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

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

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Monthly Statistical Report – November 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the November 2024 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Daniel outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 305 Total Responses, Incidents by Staff hours, Incidents by Months and Stations, Average Response Time, Average Turnout Time, Average Travel Time, Injury and Property Loss, Training Division Monthly Report, and the Inspection Summary.

On the motion of Mayor Sams, second Commissioner Brown, 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 – November 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the Financial Report for the month of November 2024 to the Commission. Chief Daniel stated the department has expended 88.4% 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 9:35 a.m.

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Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Alex Brown, Secretary