

CITY OF DALTON  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
OCTOBER 22, 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 Terry Mathis, Alex Brown, Lane Jackson, Mayor Annalee Sams, Fire Chief Matt Daniel, Assistant Police Chief Chris Crossen, City Attorney Jonathan Bledsoe, City Administrator Andrew Parker, and Assistant City Administrator Todd Pangle. Commissioner Terry Mathis, and Police Chief Cliff Cason were absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Fire Department – Promotion

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson the Commission approved the promotion of Firefighter Anibal Moran to the rank of Engineer. 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 of September 24, 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 September 2024

Assistant Police Chief Chris Crossen gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of September 2024. As noted in the written summary, Assistant Chief Crossen reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 19.09% lower, Part II crimes are approximately 23.4% lower, violent crimes are approximately 27.1% lower, and Property Crimes are approximately 18.2% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Chief Crossen further reported there were 132 non-private property crashes reported for the month.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Mayor Sams 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 September 2024

Assistant Police Chief Chris Crossen presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of September 2024. Assistant Chief Crossen reported the department has expended 72.6% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

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

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the September 2024 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Daniel outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 358 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 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 – September 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the Financial Report for the month of September 2024 to the Commission. Chief Daniel stated the department has expended 69.4% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

On the motion of Mayor Sams, second Commissioner Brown, 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 9:31 a.m.

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Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Alex Brown, Secretary