

CITY OF DALTON  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
MAY 23, 2023

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, Anthony Walker, Fire Chief Todd Pangle, Police Chief Cliff Cason, City Administrator Andrew Parker, and Attorney Jason Connell from the City Attorney's Office. Council member Annalee Sams was absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Walker, the agenda was approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Fire Department – Lieutenant Promotion – Jason Suddeth

On the motion of Commissioner Mathis, second Commissioner Brown, the Commission approved the promotion of Fire Fighter 3, Jason Suddeth to the rank of Lieutenant. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Police Department -New Employee Confirmation – Jennifer Nunez

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Walker, the Commission approved Jennifer Nunez as a new Dalton Police Officer. 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 April 25, 2023. On the motion of Commissioner Walker, second Commissioner Brown, the minutes were approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime and Crash Statistics for April 2023

Police Chief Cliff Cason gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of April 2023. As noted in the written summary, Chief Cason reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 5.6% lower and Part II crimes are approximately 7.0% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Chief Cason further reported there were 113 non-private property crashes reported for the month and non-injury crashes decreased over the previous month.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Walker, 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 April 2023

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of April 2023. Chief Cason reported the department has expended 31.4% of their budget, and are on track for the remainder of the FY 2023.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Walker, 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:

- 2.17 Departmental Inspections
- 2..20 Vehicle Fleet Maintenance
- 2.28 Crime Analysis Traffic Analysis
- 3.5 Physical Readiness Program

On the motion of Commissioner Walker, second Commissioner Brown, 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 – April 2023

Fire Chief Todd Pangle presented the April 2023 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Pangle outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 266 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 Walker, the Commissioners approved the Statistical Report for the Fire Department. A copy of the report outlining all incident values is a part of these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Monthly Financial Report – April 2023

Fire Chief Todd Pangle presented the Financial Report for the month of April 2023 to the Commission. Chief Pangle stated the department is approximately 4% under budget, has expended 29.9% their budget, and are on track for the remainder of the FY 2023.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Walker, 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.

Reviewed SOG / Revised SOP / New SOP

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Walker, the Commission approved the following Fire Department policies.

- Reviewed SOG – AO-1 Moving and Driving Fire Apparatus
- Revised SOP – T-1 Travel Expense Reimbursement
- New SOP – GP-8 DFD Ride-Along Program

A copy of each approved policy 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 Walker, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

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Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Anthony Walker, Secretary