

CITY OF DALTON  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
JUNE 27, 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, Deputy Fire Chief Mike Russell, Police Chief Cliff Cason, Attorney Jason Connell from the City Attorney's Office, and Council member Annalee Sams. Commissioner Anthony Walker, Fire Chief Todd Pangle, and City Administrator Andrew Parker were absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Mathis, the agenda was approved as presented. 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 May 25, 2023. On the motion of Commissioner Mathis, second Commissioner Brown, the minutes were approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime and Crash Statistics for May 2023

Police Chief Cliff Cason gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of May 2023. As noted in the written summary, Chief Cason reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 1% lower and Part II crimes are approximately 12.2% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Chief Cason further reported there were 108 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 Mathis, 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 May 2023

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of May 2023. Chief Cason reported the department has expended 35.1% of the budget, and are on track for the remainder of the FY 2023.

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.

Written Directive Review

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the following written directive reviews for approval:

- 5.2 Less-lethal weapons
- 5.3 Conducted Energy Weapons
- 6.3 All Hazards Plan
- 7.16 License Plate Recognition Systems

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 – May 2023

Deputy Fire Chief Mike Russell presented the May 2023 Statistical Report to the Commission. Deputy Chief Russell outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 303 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 Mathis, 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 – May 2023

Fire Chief Mike Russell presented the Financial Report for the month of May 2023 to the Commission. Chief Russell stated the department is approximately 3.5% under budget, has expended 29.9% the budget, and are on track for the remainder of the FY 2023.

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

### Sutphen Heavy Rescue Proposal Package (Informational)

Deputy Fire Chief Mike Russell presented for informational purposes the complete Sutphen Heavy Rescue Proposal Package recently approved by the Mayor & Council for the purchase of a fire truck. No action was taken. A copy of the proposal package is a part of these minutes.

### Reviewed SOG / Revised SOP

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

- Reviewed SOP – ENF-1 Enforcement of Fire Lane Violations
- Reviewed SOP – C-2 Radio Check
- Revised SOP – ENF-2 Enforcement of False Nuisance Alarms

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 Mathis, second Commissioner Brown, the meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

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Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Anthony Walker, Secretary