

CITY OF DALTON  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
JUNE 25, 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 Lane Jackson, Terry Mathis, Fire Assistant Chief Matt Daniel, Assistant Police Chief Chris Crossen, Attorney Kenneth Mishoe from the Minor Firm, and Assistant City Administrator Todd Pangle. Commissioner Alex Brown, Police Chief Cliff Cason, City Administrator Andrew Parker, and Mayor Annalee Sams were absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Police Department – New Police Officer Introduction

On the motion of Commissioner Mathis, second Commissioner Jackson, the Commission approved the following recruits as new Dalton Police Department officers.

- Guillemos Brenes Castillo
- Cruz Adela Aldava

Attorney Kenneth administered the oaths of office. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Police Department – 2022 Traffic Safety Officer of the Year

Assistant Chief Crossen presented the 2022 Traffic Safety Officer of the Year award to Officer Nicholas Hill. A list highlighting Officer Hill's achievements and accolades is a part of these minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no public comments.

MINUTES

The Commissioners were presented written copies of the regular meeting minutes for May 28, 2024. On the motion of Commissioner Mathis, second Commissioner Lane, the minutes were approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime and Crash Statistics for May 2024

Assistant Police Chief Chris Crossen gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of May 2024. As noted in the written summary, Assistant Chief Crossen reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 18% lower, Part II crimes are approximately 32.3% lower, Violent crimes are approximately 21.1% lower, and Property Crimes are approximately 17.7% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Assistant Chief Crossen further reported there were 118 non-private property crashes reported for the month and crashes decreased over the previous month.

On the motion of Commissioner Mathis, 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 May 2024

Assistant Police Chief Chris Crossen presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of May 2024. Assistant Chief Crossen reported the department has expended 39.5% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

On the motion of Commissioner Jackson, 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 – May 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the May 2024 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Daniel outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 356 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 Mathis, 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 – May 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the Financial Report for the month of May 2024 to the Commission. Chief Daniel stated the department has expended 38.5% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

On the motion of Commissioner Jackson, 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.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, on the motion of Commissioner Mathis, second Commissioner Jackson, the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

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Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Alex Jackson, Secretary