

CITY OF DALTON  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
MARCH 28, 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, Anthony Walker, Fire Chief Todd Pangle, Police Chief Cliff Cason, City Administrator Andrew Parker, and Attorney Jason Connell from the City Attorney's Office. Commissioner Terry Mathis and Council member Annalee Sams were absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Fire Department – Promotion

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Walker, the Commission promoted Firefighter Danny Arthur to the rank of Engineer. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Fire Department – Firefighter of the Year

Fire Chief Todd Pangle recognized Lieutenant Gary Stanley with the Firefighter of the year award. Lt. Stanley recently received a Certificate of Commendation for his life-saving efforts when he assisted a victim of a motor vehicle accident, which without his intervention, the victim could have perished as he was not breathing when Lt. Stanley reached him. The Commission honored Lt. Stanley for his commitment to the community and passion for the profession.

MINUTES

The Commissioners were presented written copies of the regular meeting minutes for February 28, 2023. On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Walker, the minutes were approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime and Crash Statistics for February 2023

Police Chief Cliff Cason gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of February 2023. As noted in the written summary, Chief Cason reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 8.7% lower and Part II crimes are approximately 5.3% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Chief Cason further reported there were 90 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 February 2023

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of February 2023. Chief Cason reported the department has expended 16% of their budget, and are on track for the remainder of the FY 2023.

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

- 4.11 Transport and Restraint of Prisoners
- 4.12 Report Writing
- 4.13 Traffic Enforcement and Direction
- 7.5 Missing Persons

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

Fire Chief Todd Pangle presented the February 2023 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Pangle outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 262 Total Responses, an Injuries and Property Report, NFPA Fire Experience Survey, 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 – February 2023

Fire Chief Todd Pangle presented the Financial Report for the month of February 2023 to the Commission. Chief Pangle stated the department has expended 13.6% 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.

New/Reviewed Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG)

On the motion of Commissioner Walker, second Commissioner Brown, the Commission approved the following SOPs and SOGs.

- GP-4 – Notification of Retirement
- GP-5 – Prior Service Recruitment and Hiring
- FO-18 – Chief on Call
- SCBA-04 – Daily PPE Inspection

A copy of the new and reviewed SOPs and SOGs is a part of these minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Reviewed SOG

On the motion of Commissioner Walker, second Commissioner Brown, the Commission tabled the following SOG.

- AO-1 – Moving and Driving Fire Apparatus.

A copy of the reviewed SOGs 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 Walker, second Commissioner Brown, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

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Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Anthony Walker, Secretary