

CITY OF DALTON
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 26, 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, Police Chief Cliff Cason, Attorney Kenneth Mishoe, IV from the Minor Firm, and City Administrator Andrew Parker. City attorney Jonathan Bledsoe was absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no public comments.

MINUTES

The Commissioners were presented written copies of the regular meeting minutes of October 22, 2024. On the motion of Mayor Sams, second Commissioner Brown, the minutes were approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime and Crash Statistics for October 2024

Police Chief Cliff Cason gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of October 2024. As noted in the written summary, Chief Cason reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 20.01% lower, Part II crimes are approximately 23.6% lower, violent crimes are approximately 27.8% lower, and Property Crimes are approximately 19.2% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Chief Cason further reported there were 146 non-private property crashes reported for the month.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, 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 October 2024

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of October 2024. Chief Cason reported the department has expended 77% 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 – October 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the October 2024 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Daniel outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 368 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 – October 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the Financial Report for the month of October 2024 to the Commission. Chief Daniel stated the department has expended 77.1% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Mayor Sams, 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 9:16 a.m.

Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

Alex Brown, Secretary