

CITY OF DALTON  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
AUGUST 24, 2021

The regular meeting for the Public Safety Commission was held today in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Present were Chairman Terry Mathis, Commissioners Bill Weaver, Truman Whitfield, Anthony Walker, Fire Chief Todd Pangle, Police Chief Cliff Cason, and City Attorney Terry Miller. Councilmember Annalee Harlan was absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

PERSONNEL MATTERS

Police Department – Life Saving Award Presentation

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Life Saving Award to Officers Steven Herrera, Joshua Bethune, and Zach Bell, for their actions at a dangerous aggravated assault scene on July 13, 2021 at Straight Street, Dalton GA. No motion was needed.

Police Department – New Employee Confirmation

On the motion of Commissioner Whitfield, second Commissioner Weaver, the Commission approved the following as new Dalton Police Officers.

- Grant Mantoath
- Daniel jones

The vote was unanimous in favor.

Police Department – Promotion Recommendations

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the following promotion recommendations to the Commission:

- Sergeant Sam Eaton to the rank of Lieutenant
- Master Police Officer Jacob Burger to the rank of Sergeant

On the motion of Commissioner Whitfield, second Commissioner Weaver, the Commission approved the promotion recommendations. The vote was unanimous in favor.

MINUTES

The Commissioners were presented written copies of the regular called meeting minutes of July 27, 2021. On the motion of Commissioner Walker, second Commissioner Weaver, the minutes were approved. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime and Crash Statistics for July 2021

Police Chief Cliff Cason gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of July, 2021. As noted in the written summary, Police Chief Cason reported the rate of Year to Date Part I crimes, decreased by 29% when compared to the past 5-year average. Police Chief Cason further reported that traffic crashes have decreased by approximately 2 crashes when compared to the past 5-year average.

On the motion of Commissioner Whitfield, second Commissioner Weaver, the 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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Financial Statistics for July 2021

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of July, 2021. Police Chief Cason reported the department has expended 50.5% of their 2021 budget and on track for the end of the 2021 fiscal year.

On the motion of Commissioner Whitfield, 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.

Written Directives

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

- 2.7 Crime Prevention / Community Involvement
- 2.26 Field Training Officer and Mentoring Programs
- 3.1 Selection
- 3.13 Chaplain Program
- 3.17 Performance Evaluations
- 7.11 Confidential Informants

On the motion of Commissioner Whitfield, second Commissioner Weaver, 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 – July 2021

Fire Chief Todd Pangle presented the July 2021 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Pangle outlined details of the complete report, that included the Incident Report with 359 Total Responses, a Dollar Value Saved & Loss Analysis, NFPA Fire Experience Survey, and Incident List by Incident Number, Training Division Monthly Report, Fire Safety Division Monthly Report, and the Inspection Summary.

On the motion of Commissioner Whitfield, 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 – July 2021

Fire Chief Todd Pangle presented the Financial Report for the month of July 2021 to the Commission. Chief Pangle stated the department is approximately 5% under budget for the month and on track for the end of the 2021 fiscal year.

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

Standard Operating Procedures and Standard Operating Guidelines - Review

On the motion of Commissioner Weaver, second Commissioner Whitfield, the Commission approved the following Standard Operating Procedure & Standard Operating Guideline reviews.

- SOG – SO1 – Use of Station Log Book
- SOG – GP-3 – Professional Grooming
- SOP – T-1 Travel Expense Reimbursement

The vote was unanimous in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, on the motion of Commissioner Weaver, second Commissioner Whitfield, the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

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Terry Mathis, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Anthony Walker, Secretary