

CITY OF DALTON
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 27, 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 Alex Brown, Terry Mathis, Lane Jackson, Fire Chief Matt Daniel, Police Chief Cliff Cason, City Attorney Jonathan Bledsoe, and Assistant City Administrator Todd Pangle.

AGENDA AMENDMENT

Chairman Truman Whitfield amended the agenda to add the Oath of Office for Mr. Lane Jackson.

OATH OF OFFICE

City Attorney Jonathan Bledsoe administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Lane Jackson as a new Public Safety Commissioner member. Commissioner Jackson took his seat on the dais.

AGENDA APPROVAL

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Mathis the Commission approved the agenda as amended.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There were no public comments.

MINUTES

The Commissioners were presented written copies of the regular meeting minutes for January 23, 2024. On the motion of Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jackson, the minutes were approved as presented. The vote was unanimous in favor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime and Crash Statistics for January 2024

Police Chief Cliff Cason gave a written and oral summary of the Crime and Crash Statistical Reports for the month of January 2024. As noted in the written summary, Chief Cason reported the Year to Date Part I crimes are approximately 12.35% higher and Part II crimes are approximately 12.6% lower when compared to the past 5-year average. Chief Cason further reported there were 107 non-private property crashes reported for the month and crashes decreased over the previous 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 January 2024

Police Chief Cliff Cason presented the Financial Report for all divisions within the Dalton Police Department for the month of January 2024. Chief Cason reported the department has expended 5.8% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

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

- 2.8 News Media / Public Information
- 2.16 Form Development, Modification and Approval
- 3.6 Commendation / Achievement and Recognition Program
- 4.15 Emergency Vehicle Driving
- 4.28 Juvenile Procedures

On the motion of Commissioner Mathis, second Commissioner Brown, 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 – January 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the January 2024 Statistical Report to the Commission. Chief Daniel outlined details of the complete report, which included the Incident Report with 340 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 Jackson, 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 – January 2024

Fire Chief Matt Daniel presented the Financial Report for the month of January 2024 to the Commission. Chief Daniel stated the department has expended 5.8% of the budget, and is on track for the remainder of FY 2024.

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

Reviewed SOG and SOP's

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

- Reviewed SOG – FO-13 Rapid Intervention Teams/Crews (RIT/RIC)
- Reviewed SOP – GP-12 On Duty Injury/Worker's Compensation Procedures
- Reviewed SOP – T-3 Safety on the Training Ground

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

Truman Whitfield, Chairman

ATTEST:

Alex Brown, Secretary