

BLOOMINGTON BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Bloomington Board of Public Safety held a Regular Session on **Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.**, in the McCloskey Room, Room 135, City of Bloomington located at 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana.

CALL TO ORDER

Board President Timothy Brinson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Board Members Russell Kitchner, and Philip Amerson were present in person as well. Board member Barbara McKinney attended via zoom.

Also in attendance were:

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham and Police Captain Myrick Williams; and,

Fire Chef Roger Kerr, Assistant Fire Chief Tania Daffron, Deputy Fire Chief Max Litwin; and,

Assistant City Attorney Christopher Wheeler, and Legal Department Paralegal Heather Whitlow

DECLARATION/REVIEW OF BOARD MEMBER CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Board President Timothy Brinson read the conflict of interest disclosure statement. No conflicts of interest were declared.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Board President Timothy Brinson asked for a motion to approve the presented consent agenda, which included the latest payroll, claims and minutes from the January, 2025 meeting. President Brinson asked for any objection, all members indicated they had no objection and items were approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Personnel Matters

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to promote the following individuals from Firefighters First Class to Lieutenants, effective 02/01/2025:

Bill Abram, Austin Brown, Ray Cazee, Brandon Hudson, Devin Owens,
Joe Richards, Greg Bare, Jordan Canada, Brian Hollars,
Scott Milne, Joe Radanovich and Brett Rorem

President Brinson called for a Motion. Barbara McKinney so moved, Philip Amerson seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to promote the following individuals from Firefighters First Class to Chauffeur, effective 02/01/2025 for James Johnson, Joseph Piercy, Scott Scrogam and Seth Staggs. Philip Amerson so moved. Barbara McKinney seconded Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to promote the following individuals from Firefighters First Class to Chauffeur, effective 02/20/2025: Shaun Huttenlocker. Russell Kitchner moved and Barbara McKinney seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to promote the following individuals from Firefighters First Class to Chauffeur, effective upon the next open position availability: Kayla Hammel. Barbara McKinney moved and Russell Kitchner seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

Fire Report on Monthly Statistics and Training:

Assistant Fire Chief Tania Daffron presented the monthly statistics, training and incident reporting along with Deputy Fire Chief Max Litwin.

Fire General Business:

Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin presented general business.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin discussed expenditures and procurements.

Philip Amerson asked about the weather and calls for health issues; Fire Chief Kerr spoke on this subject stating no much change in calls.

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Police Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham presented the monthly statistics, training and incident reporting.

Police General Business and Personnel Issues:

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham presented on general business and personnel issues.

Board Member Russell Kitchner asked about a public meeting that would be taking place at the police department. Police Chief Mike Diekhoff answered.

Police Personnel Matters

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to approve a conditional offer of employment to Jason Shaevitz, Tony Thomas, Zachary Hawkins, Matthew Pearson, Andrew Tillett, James Shields, Shelby Megnin, Caleb Brinson, Garrett Day, Jared Bell and Brandon Bedolla. Philip Amerson so moved and Russell Kitchner seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

Police Captain Myrick Williams discussed personnel items.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham discussed the purchases.

CIRT/ARV REPORT

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham indicated no deployments of the CIRT vehicle.

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham discussed the letters.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Chris Wheeler, Assistant City Attorney lead discussion on rules and procedures for conducting a meeting and holding an election for commissioners for the Bloomington Fire Merit Board. President Tim Brinson called for a motion to accept rules and procedures for the Bloomington Fire Merit Board election. Russell Kitchner so moved and Philip Amerson seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

Philip Amerson stated he would like to see information from the Chiefs in May or June concerning comparisons with other department salaries and benefits.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Timothy Brinson adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Whitlow, Paralegal
Board of Public Safety

The minutes of the January 21, 2025 Board of Public Safety Meeting were approved this ____ day of March, 2025.

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