
BLOOMINGTON BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Bloomington Board of Public Safety held a Regular Session on **Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.**, in the City of Bloomington City Council Chambers located at 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana.

CALL TO ORDER

Board President Kim Gray called the meeting to order at approximately 6pm. Board Members Rachel Guglielmo, and Isak Asare Nti were present. Board Member Natalia Galvan was present via ZOOM.

Board Member Shruti Rana was not present.

Also in attendance were Board Secretaries Jazmyn Forte, Ashley Sparks, and Heather Whitlow, Fire Deputy Chief Jayme Washel, Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron, Police Captain Myrick Williams, Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham and Assistant City Attorney Christopher Wheeler. Members of the Public, including Fire Captain Dustin White, were also present. See sign-in sheet for full list of attendees.

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board President Kim Gray certified the executive session held earlier that evening.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Board Member Isak Nti Asare moved to approve the meeting minutes from the February 21, 2023, regular session. Board Member Rachel Guglielmo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0. Board Member Natalia Galvan was not present yet.

VERBAL CERTIFICATION OF PAYROLL

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham and Deputy Fire Chief Jayme Washel both affirmed the payroll claims for February 10, February 24, March 10, March 24, and April 6, all in the year 2023.

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

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

Board President Kim Gray asked about the statistics regarding the reflection of calls when timing is not an issue, i.e. overnight calls. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Rachel Guglielmo asked if any BPD comment on the rise in statistics of Burglary, Fraud, and Motor Vehicle Theft. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked how to sign up to participate in a Ride-Along. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked if BPD logs track how many people are in mental health crisis. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked if more resources are needed for mental health crises in the area. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on the differences between the current and prior reporting systems, as well as violent crime comparisons for YTD and prior years.

Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham to clarify the verbiage and content in some of the reports and different reporting systems utilized by the Department. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Rachel Guglielmo asked about the specific crimes listed in the reports. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board President Kim Gray asked about the reporting of the uptick in calls. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked if geographical maps can be made available to see trends in neighborhoods and suggested that this would be helpful knowledge when reviewing training hours needed versus training hours exceeding requirements. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked if it would be possible to compare and cumulate training hours and make a distinction between necessary or required training hours and the extra training opportunities taken. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

General Business:

There was no general business presented.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on equipment such as new radio dispatch equipment, new cars, new body armor, and State mandated new handguns.

Board President Kim Gray asked about the life cycle of used police equipment. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Rachel Gulgielmo asked about handguns. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board President Kim Gray asked about recycling used equipment. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Personnel:

The Conditional Offer of Employment for Tyler Satterfield, pending PERF approvals, was voted on. Board Member Isak Nti Asare made the motion to approve, Board Member Rachel Guglielmo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0, through roll call vote by Board Recording Secretary, Jazmyn Forte Plunkett.

CIRT/ARV REPORT

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham presented CIRT Deployment Report. There were two deployments, one for a high risk warrant on February 14, 2023, and one involving a hostage situation on or about March 11, 2023.

The date of the second deployment was questioned by Board Member Rachel Guglielmo. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered affirmatively.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Fire Deputy Chief Jayme Washel presented the monthly statistics.

Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron spoke on structure fires, training, and Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH).

Board President Kim Gray asked about the improvements regarding response times as represented by the statistics in relation to prior months. Fire Deputy Chief Jayme Washel answered.

Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked about training goals. Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron answered.

Letters of Appreciation and Commendation:

Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron presented four letters of appreciation.

General Business:

Fire Deputy Chief Jayme Washel spoke on firefighter shortages, June's upcoming recruit class of 20 new firefighters, renovation contracts for Stations 1, 3, and 5, the hiring of 3 new MIH and the hiring process of an additional deputy fire marshal for Station 5.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Fire Deputy Chief Jayme Washel spoke on a new fire suppression utility vehicle for smaller areas, such as the B-line Trail, a station renovation at Station 4, and a large PPD purchase for fire gear that will be presented in May's meeting.

Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked about a large PPE purchase in February. Fire Deputy Chief Jayme Washel answered.

Personnel:

The promotion of Dustin White to Fire Captain was voted on. Board Member Isak Nti Asare made the motion to promote, Board Member Rachel Guglielmo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0, through roll call vote by Board Recording Secretary, Jazmyn Forte Plunkett.

Fire Captain Dustin White spoke to the Board and gave brief thanks.

Board Member Rachel Guglielmo moved to approve the BFD Hiring List. Board Member Isak Nti Asare seconded the motion. Motion to approve the BFD Hiring List passed unanimously, 4-0, through roll call vote by Board Recording Secretary, Jazmyn Forte Plunkett.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business presented

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Sparks, Recording Secretary
Board of Public Safety

The minutes of the April 18, 2023 Board of Public Safety Meeting were approved this 16th day of May, 2023.










