
BLOOMINGTON BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Bloomington Board of Public Safety held a Regular Session on **Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 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 Kim Gray called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board Members Rachel Guglielmo, Natalia Galvan, Shruti Rana, and Isak Asare Nti were present.

Also in attendance were Board Secretaries Jazmyn Forte Plunkett and Ashley Sparks, Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel, Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron, Police Captain Myrick Williams, Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham and Assistant City Attorney Heather Lacy. Members of the Public, including Fire Chauffers Jacelen “Jax” Rosebrock, Jordan Reeves, and Kody Waggoner 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 April 18, 2023, regular session. Board Member Natalia Galvan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

VERBAL CERTIFICATION OF PAYROLL

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham and Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel both affirmed the payroll claims for May 5, 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 formatting of statistics. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked if the uptick in April calls was due to Little 5 weekend. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Rachel Guglielmo asked if this uptick was consistent with prior years at this time. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked if May is appearing to be consistent with prior years at this time. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board President Kim Gray mentioned taking a ride-along during Little 5 weekend.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on the uptick in arrests and juvenile referrals when compared to last April.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on the April to June metric in regards to hate crime reporting periods.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on the increase in domestic violence case increases in relativity to the uptick in calls overall.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on the decreased effectiveness of Narcan and the increased need due to increased overdoses.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on area shootings from prior events and the consistency in location with shots fired recently.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on a decrease in training hours due to an increase in community responsibilities in April.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on a decrease in the number of community engagements in April with the exception of Pre-school visits and explained that the decrease is due to a staffing shortage.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on upcoming community events, including the presence of a cruiser for the public to explore in the College Mall food court and Pack the Cruiser at Kroger West to benefit the Food Drive. Board Member Natalia Galvan responded to this conversation with a confirmation that she has seen the Food Court event advertised on social media.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on the impact of Social Workers and specific services they have provided.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on Community Service Specialists. Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked if the 2051 calls represented YTD. Board President Kim Gray clarified the number being a cumulative report. Police Deputy Chief answered.

General Business:

There was no general business presented.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on upcoming expenses related to renewed service contracts for things such as computer programs and body/vehicle cameras.

Personnel:

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on personnel shortages.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked for clarification on the number of officers the department is currently short on. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board President Kim Gray asked where the recruiting events were being held. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked about the current staff shortage in comparison with prior shortages. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked if incentives were being taken advantage of. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked if very many officers are taking advantage of the housing programs and other incentives. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham and Police Captain Myrick Williams answered.

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham spoke on new vehicles being purchased and customized.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked for the delivery/completion date of the new vehicles. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board President Kim Gray asked if the undercover Dodge Chargers were being phased out. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan asked about an officer who was in an accident this month. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham answered.

The promotion of Taylor Jurgeto to Senior Police Officer was voted on. Board Member Isak Nti Asare moved to promote, Board Member Natalia Galvan seconded the motion. Motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

CIRT/ARV REPORT

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham presented CIRT Deployment Report. There was deployment this month for a person who escaped from custody; after forcible entry, there were no issues.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel presented the monthly statistics.

Board President Kim Gray asked if the PowerPoint was showing correct information. Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel answered.

Board President Kim Gray verified the addresses of presented structure fires. Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel answered.

Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked if there was still an issue with data collection in regards to reported response times. Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel answered.

Board Member Shruti Rana asked how the operation statistics compare to pre-pandemic statistics. Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel answered.

Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron spoke on public engagement, training and Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH)

Board President Kim Gray asked about the change in format for some of the statistic graphics as they pertain to the presentation of goals in education. Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron answered.

Board Member Natalia Galvan commented on the information meetings that have been held at HOA's and asked if smoke detector education was still ongoing. Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron answered.

Board President Kim Gray asked how triaging 911 calls works in regards to the determination of who is dispatched to the emergency. Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron answered.

Letters of Appreciation and Commendation:

Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron presented five letters of appreciation.

General Business:

Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel spoke on June's upcoming recruit class of new firefighters, renovation progress on Station 4, the shortage of firefighters, and the WorkOne Workforce Grant.

Board Member Isak Nti Asare asked how many new firefighters would be entering recruit academy in June. Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel answered.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Acting Fire Chief Jayme Washel spoke on the monthly payout for a contractor of \$40,000 for Station 4 Renovations.

Personnel:

The promotion of Kody Waggoner to Chauffeur was voted on. Board Member Isak Nti Asare made the motion to promote, Board Member Natalia Galvan seconded the motion. Board Member Isak Nti Asare and Board Member Natalia Galvan addressed Chauffeur Kody Waggoner, commenting on the commendations provided on his behalf during executive session. The motion passed unanimously with a vote 5-0.

Chauffeur Kody Waggoner spoke to the board and guests, thanking all crews and leadership.

The promotion of Jordan Reeves to Chauffeur was voted on. Board Member Isak Nti Asare made the motion to promote, Board Member Natalia Galvan seconded the motion. Board Member Isak Nti Asare addressed Chauffeur Jordan Reeves, commenting on the level of excitement felt when promoting someone, thanking Chauffeur Jordan Reeves for his service to the community and for his quick succession in promotions. The motion passed unanimously with a vote 5-0.

The promotion of Jacelen "Jax" Rosebrock to Chauffeur was voted on. Board Member Isak Nti Asare made the motion to promote, Board Member Natalia Galvan seconded the motion. Board Member Isak Nti Asare addressed Chauffeur Jax Rosebrock, commenting on her reported performance level and thanked her for her hard work for the City. The motion passed unanimously with a vote 5-0.

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 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Sparks, Recording Secretary
Board of Public Safety

The minutes of the May 16, 2023 Board of Public Safety Meeting were approved this 20th day of June, 2023.




