
BLOOMINGTON BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Bloomington Board of Public Safety held a Regular Session on **Tuesday, August 18th, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.**, Teleconference/Virtual Meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Board president Susan Yoon called the meeting to order at approximately 6:02 p.m.. Other Board members present were: Maqubé Reese and Rafi Hasan.

Members of the public throughout the meeting included: Paul Kern, Alex Goodlad, Jessica Oswalt, Ruth Aydt and Bills iPhone.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board members unanimously approved the minutes from July 21, 2020 through a roll-call vote by board recording secretary, Nicole DeCriscio Bowe. The motion was made by board member Rafi Hasan and seconded by Maqubé Reese.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Deputy Fire Chief Jayme Washel gave a report on the monthly statistics.

Letters of Appreciation and Commendation:

Deputy Fire Chief Jayme Washel was unable to read the one letter of appreciation.

Board member Rafi Hasan was able to read some of it out loud for those in the meeting.

General Business and Personnel Issues:

Deputy Fire Chief Jayme Washel said they are down four individuals. He said they received 222 applicants confirmed with a September test date set.

Board member Rafi Hasan asked if the test was computer based or written exam. Deputy Fire Chief Jayme Washel said the test is a written exam.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Deputy Fire Chief Jayme Washel said there are some gear washers for cancer protection that are \$20,000 each. The department has two. With the warehouse, there will be a central wash bay. He said they are also looking at buying about 25 sets of gear at about \$3,000 each.

NEW BUSINESS

Verbal Certification of Payroll:

Deputy Chief Joseph Qualters stated that the police payroll is correct.

Deputy Fire Chief Jayme Washel said stated that the fire payroll is correct.

New Meeting Date:

It was determined that the third Wednesday of the month with the dates of September 16, October 21, November 18 and December 16 for the remainder of 2020. Board member Maqubé Reese made the motion, and board member Rafi Hasan seconded the motion. The new meeting date was approved unanimously through a roll-call vote conducted by board recording secretary, Nicole DeCriscio Bowe.

Board member Maqubé Reese also highlighted the woman that was stuck in the sewer that the fire department rescued the individual.

Deputy Fire Chief Jayme Washel said they train for a confine space rescue. He said that his understanding was that she is doing fine.

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESSReport on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Deputy Chief Joseph Qualters presented on the monthly statistics.

Board member Rafi Hasan inquired about what items make the reporting list. He specifically mentioned a young lady that was a victim of a stabbing with the individual in custody. Deputy Chief Joseph Qualters said the incident took place in August, as well as the murder of Mr. Pleasant on South Walnut Springs. He clarified that he was referring to the murder that took place in North Walnut Street. He said any homicide will be brought to the board's attention.

Letters of Appreciation and Commendation:

Deputy Chief Joseph Qualters said there were several letters of appreciation. He provided some information about the letters.

General Business:

Captain Scott Oldham gave a review of the 21st Century Policing report for pillars two and three.

Board member Rafi Hasan commented that he wanted a focus on making sure residents are being heard in relation to pillar number two to make sure that policies reflect community values. He expressed wanting to be more intentional in getting responses from community members as to the values as it related to BPD's policies.

Captain Scott Oldham responded furthering the conversation.

Board member Maqubé Reese commented that the peaceful protests were a conduit to learning more about policing in Bloomington. She said that she believes that it will take some time to build that trust with those young organizers who had the opportunity to sit down with Chief Michael Diekhoff.

Captain Scott Oldham responded furthering the conversation.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Deputy Chief Joseph Qualters said that mobile radios for the vehicles as well as a replacement vests for the officers are things that the board should be seeing soon.

Personnel Issues:

Deputy Chief Joseph Qualters and Captain Ryan Pedigo provided an update.

Personnel: Confirmation of Certified Candidates:

Captain Ryan Pedigo provided information on the three candidates.

Board member Maqubé Reese inquired about one of the candidates. Captain Ryan Pedigo answered the question. Deputy Chief Joseph Qualters also chimed in.

This action is to extend a conditional offer of employment to the three candidates.

Board member Rafi Hasan made a motion to extend a conditional offer of employment to John McCoy. Board member Maqubé Reese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously through a roll-call vote conducted by board recording secretary, Nicole DeCriscio Bowe.

Board member Rafi Hasan made a motion to extend a conditional offer of employment to Levi Adkins. Board member Maqubé Reese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously through a roll-call vote conducted by board recording secretary, Nicole DeCriscio Bowe.

Board member Rafi Hasan made a motion to extend a conditional offer of employment to Jacob Hunter. Board member Maqubé Reese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously through a roll-call vote conducted by board recording secretary, Nicole DeCriscio Bowe.

CIRT/ARV Deployment Report:

There was no CIRT/ARV deployment.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items under Old Business.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Board recording secretary Nicole DeCriscio Bowe confirmed that no emails had come in and could not get a response from the only member of the public left in attendance, Bills iPhone.

ADJOURNMENT

Board member Rafi Hasan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nicole DeCriscio Bowe, Recording Secretary
Board of Public Safety

The minutes of the August 18th, 2020 Board of Public Safety Meeting were approved this 16th day of September, 2020.
