
BLOOMINGTON BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Bloomington Board of Public Safety held a Regular Session on **Tuesday, April 20th, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.**, Teleconference/Virtual Meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Board President Kim Gray called the meeting to order at approximately 6:02 p.m. Other Board members present were: Luis Fuentes-Rohwer, Rafi Hasan and Shruti Rana. Board member Maqubé Reese was not present.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Board member Luis Fuentes-Rohwer moved to approve the meeting minutes from March 23, 2021, and board member Shruti Rana seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0, through a roll call vote by board recording secretary, Nicole DeCriscio Bowe.

CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Police Chief Mike Diekhoff presented on the monthly statistics and training.

Board member Luis Fuentes-Rohwer inquired about the hiring process for the police social workers. Police Chief Mike Diekhoff answered the questions in turn.

Board member Kim Gray inquired about the training for police social workers. Police Chief Mike Diekhoff answered the question.

Board member Rafi Hasan commented on one of the new hires that he knows. He then inquired about the practicum hours for the social workers. Police Chief Mike Diekhoff and Captain Ryan Pedigo both answered the question.

Board member Shruti Rana also inquired about the increase of police social workers, and Police Chief Mike Diekhoff answered the question.

Letters of Appreciation and Commendation:

Police Chief Mike Diekhoff said there was one and provided details

General Business:

Police Chief Mike Diekhoff explained the take home vehicle program and the housing benefits for officers at the request of a board member.

Board member Rafi Hasan requested to see how much of the money for the benefit has been allocated.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Police Chief Mike Diekhoff said there should be some large purchases with radio replacement.

Personnel Update:

Captain Ryan Pedigo provided an update on current staffing levels. Police Chief Mike Diekhoff said those levels are comparable to 2003-2004 levels.

Board member Rafi Hasan requested that Police Chief Mike Diekhoff explain the reference to 2003-2004. Police Chief Mike Diekhoff answered the question.

Board member Kim Gray inquired about the state certification process. Captain Ryan Pedigo answered the question.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Fire Chief Jason Moore gave a report on the monthly statistics.

Board member Rafi Hasan inquired about the increase in calls that are unprecedented. Fire Chief Jason Moore answered the question.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Fire Chief Jason Moore said that the new aerial truck should be clearing soon as well as claims for the 10 new recruits and their equipment.

General Business and Personnel

Fire Chief Jason Moore provided an update.

Promotions

Fire Chief Jason Moore provided some information on the two candidates.

Board member Rafi Hasan moved that they promote Robert McWhorter Jr. to the rank of Chauffeur effective April 5, 2021, and board member Luis Fuentes-Rohwer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0, through a roll call vote by board recording secretary, Nicole DeCriscio Bowe.

Board member Luis Fuentes-Rohwer moved that they promote Kyle Koons to the rank of Captain effective April 17, 2021, and board member Rafi Hasan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0, through a roll call vote by board recording secretary, Nicole DeCriscio Bowe.

CIRT/ARV DEPLOYMENT REPORT:

There was no CIRT/ARV deployment.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

No members of the public spoke at the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Board member Luis Fuentes-Rohwer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeCriscio Bowe, Recording Secretary
Board of Public Safety

The minutes of the February 16, 2021 Board of Public Safety Meeting were approved this 18th day of May, 2021.
