I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Public Safety met in Executive Session on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 8:35 a.m. with Board President Daniel Jones, and Board Members Darryl Heller, Melissa Colpitts, Lee Ross (absent), Al Kirsits, Attorney Danielle Weiss. The meeting was held in the 13th Floor Boardroom, County-City Building, 227 W. Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, Indiana for the purposes specified in I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation pending or threatened specifically in writing and I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(6) to receive information concerning an individual's alleged misconduct and to discuss, before a determination, the individual's status as an employee. The meeting ended at 9:13 a.m.

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Daniel Jones, President

Melissa Colpitts, Member

Darryl Heller, Member

Lee Ross, Member

Alfred Kirsits, Member

ATTEST:

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II. REGULAR MEETING

April 20, 2022

The Board of Public Safety met in the Regular Meeting at 9:17 a.m. on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, with Board members Dan Jones, Melissa Colpitts, Darryl Heller, Al Kirsits was present. Also present were Police Chief Scott Ruszkowski, Fire Chief Carl Buchanon, and Attorneys Danielle Weiss, Christina Shakour, and Kylie Connell. Board Clerk Theresa Heffner was also present. The meeting was held on the 4th Floor Council Chambers Room, 227 W. Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, Indiana and virtually via Microsoft Teams at the following link: https://tinyurl/BPS04202022

Attorney Weiss asked that everyone mute their microphone when not speaking and reminded attendees that comments from the public should be saved for the Privilege of the Floor portion of the meeting. Attorney Weiss then read through the agenda to note any additions or corrections. Fire Chief Buchanon requested an addition to the agenda for the Board to approve the lateral hiring of seven (7) firefighters. Police Chief Ruszkowski asked to add Officer Wayne Boocher ahead of Officer Greg Early for a Declaration of Retirement and to add a Commendation to the end of the Police department portion of the agenda. Attorney Weis approved the additions and with no other additions noted, referred to President Dan Jones who called roll and confirmed the presence of the Board Members.

A. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

After a roll call, the Board approved the Minutes of the March 16, 2022 regular meeting.

B. POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. <u>APPROVE APPLICATION AND DECLARATION OF RETIREMENT</u> Officer Wayne Boocher

Officer Greg Early

Chief Ruszkowski submitted a letter to the Board requesting the approval of the Application and Declaration of Retirements of the above officers. Chief Ruszkowski informed the Board that Officer Boocher was sworn into the SBPD on December 16, 1991. Upon a motion by Mr. Kirsits and Seconded by Mr. Heller, the Application and Declaration of Retirement for Officer Boocher was approved.

Chief Ruszkowski informed the Board that Officer Early was sworn into the SBPD on April 19, 1999 and may be hired back into the SBPD part-time as part of a cold-case unit; however he noted that that was dependent on security protocols set by the FBI for retired and part-time officers. Upon a motion by Mr. Heller and Seconded by Mr. Kirsits, the Application and Declaration of Retirement for Officer Boocher was approved.

On behalf of the Board, President Jones thanked the officers for their years of service with the SBPD.

2. ACCEPT LETTERS OF RESIGNATION

Evan Dinterman

Michael Norby

Chief Ruszkowski submitted a letter to the Board requesting the Board accept the above officers Letters of Resignation from the SBPD. Chief stated that Officer Dinterman was sworn in December 15, 2021and his resignation would be effective April 20th, 2022. Chief stated that Officer Norby was sworn into the SBPD August 3, 2005 with an effective resignation date of March 27, 2022.

President Jones accepted both Letters of Resignation on behalf of the Board.

3. <u>ACCEPT CHIEF'S LETTER RECOMMENDING TERMINATION - OFFICER MARK</u> CHABOT

Police Chief Ruszkowski submitted a letter recommending the termination of Officer Mark Chabot to the Board. Chief Ruszkowski noted that Officer Chabot has requested a hearing. President Jones accepted the letter recommending the termination of Officer Mark Chabot on behalf of the Board.

4. <u>APPROVE REQUEST FOR HEARING - OFFICER MARK CHABOT</u>

Attorney Weiss noted that because a hearing has been requested by Officer Mark Chabot, the Board would be formally acknowledging the request for a hearing. Attorney Weiss noted the hearing date was scheduled for Thursday, May 12, 2022 at 9am in the large council meeting room located on the 4th floor of the County-City Building, 227 W. Jefferson Blvd. South Bend, IN.

On Behalf of the Board, President Jones acknowledged Officer Mark Chabot's request for a hearing.

5. FILE 1ST QUARTER REPORTS FOR SPECIALIZED SCHOOLS

Chief Ruszkowski submitted a letter to the Board regarding the 1st quarter report for specialized schools and training during the period of January through March 2022. He reminded the Board these are off-site trainings.

On behalf of the Board, President Jones filed the 1st quarter report for specialized schools.

		Career Path				Training	# Officers		Estimated														
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6. <u>FILE MONTHLY STATISTICAL ANALYSIS REPORT – MARCH 2022</u>

Chief Ruszkowski submitted the monthly statistical analysis report for March 2022 to the Board. He noted the grand total for overall Part-One Crimes was reduced by nineteen percent (19%) when comparing March 2021 and March 2022. Chief Ruszkowski stated that the SBPD's reanalysis of vetting victims in reports has made a significant difference in the numbers. He noted that to get an outside perspective, they had members from the IT department look over the SBPD's reports and determine if they felt the FBI's definition and classification of an aggravated assault matched the SBPD's reports. He continued to add that the vetting of reports by non-officers, was applauded by their auditor, and he stated that he hopes the Department will be able to maintain the accuracy for reports which will allow the SBPD to give the community accurate statistics regarding local crime.

On behalf of the Board, President Jones filed the Police Department's Monthly Statistical Analysis for March of 2022.

The March 2022 analysis is as follows:						
				YEAR TO D	DATE	
PART 1 OFFENSES	2021	2022	CHANGE	2021	2022	CHANGE
HOMICIDE	2	1	-1	5	3	-2
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE*	0	0	0	0	1	1
RAPE .	6	8	. 2	17	20	3
ROBBERY	18	20	2	53	50	-3
AGGRAVATED ASSLT	118	112	-6	367	248	-119
BURGLARY RES	35	43	. 8	89	103	14
BURGLARY NON RES	11	12	1	31	45	14
LARCENY	196	217	21	559	459	-100
MOTOR VEH THEFT	53	30	-23	146	105	-41
ARSONS	2	. 0	-2	7	2	-5
GRAND TOTAL	441	443	2	1274	1035	-239
Respectfully submitted,						
5-R-K.						
Scott Ruszkowski						
Chief of Police						

Month: MARCH 2022

PART 1 OFFENSES	2021	2022	CHANGE
HOMICIDE	5	3	-40%
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE*	0	1	100%
RAPE	17	20	18%
ROBBERY	53	50	-6%
AGGRAVATED ASSLT	367	248	-32%
BURGLARY RES.	89	103	16%
BURGLARY NON RES.	31	45	45%
LARCENY	559	459	-18%
MOTOR VEH THEFT	146	105	-28%
ARSONS	7	2	-71%
GRAND TOTAL	1274	1035	-19%

-19% CHANGE IN PART 1 CRIMES THROUGH MARCH 2022

7. <u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMMENDATION</u>

Chief Ruszkowski submitted a Letter of Commendation to the Board regarding lifesaving action taken by Officer Jose Aguilar on March 14, 2022. Chief Ruszkowski recapped the event where a resident was shot in her home and Officer Aguilar swiftly tended to the victim's wound and applied a tourniquet to the leg to minimize the bleeding. He continued to note that the medical staff at Memorial Hospital confirmed that Officer Aguilar's action of applying a tourniquet to the leg with the severed artery was crucial to the survival of the gunshot victim. Chief Ruszkowski confirmed that this officer was recently hired into the police force at the February 16, 2022 Board of Public Safety Meeting.

Chief Ruszkowski also noted that after a couple years off due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the SBPD just recently had their awards ceremony where Sergent Miranda Baker was awarded Officer of the Year. He continued to note that the department gives out their own awards to Officers who have gone above and beyond in the field, but he was submitting the commendation to the Board of Saftey for Officer Aguilar so that if they see fit, they could award him with a Board of Public Saftey commendation coin on top of the ribbon, certificate, and letter already received from the Department.

On behalf of the Board, President Jones acknowledged the commendation of Officer Jose Aguilar.

C. FIRE DEPARTMENT

1. <u>APPROVE HIRING OF LATERAL FIREFIGHTERS</u>

Kate Jasinki
Kurt Grandin
Matthew Partridge
Robert Cooper
Donald Workman
Eduardo Salinas
Nicholas Kieta

Chief Buchanon requested the Board approve the lateral hirings of the above firefighters. He noted they were coming from other Indiana departments and were already in the Public Employee Retirement Fund (PERF) and will serve a one (1) year probationary period with the SBFD upon the Board's approval.

Mr. Heller asked how these recruits would affect the staffing of the SBFD to which Chief Buchanon replied that the department was about twenty (20) firefighters short due to recent resignations and retirements. He noted these lateral hires would allow the Department to get them into the field faster than the average twenty-two (22) weeks for training completely

new hires.

Mr. Kirsits asked if they had to do the Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) or physical evaluations. Chief Buchanon said they have already done that prior to recruitment with the Department to make sure they were fit for duty.

President Jones asked how the department recruited the lateral hires. Chief Buchanon said that they used HR and their databases to assist in the application upload on the City website as well as a recruitment team and the Training Assistant Chief to help advertise the openings at the SBFD for lateral transfers. Chief Buchanon said they are anticipating putting together another lateral hiring this fall.

Upon a motion by Ms. Colpitts and seconded by Mr. Kirsits, the Board approved the lateral hiring of the above listed firefighters.

2. APPROVE THE REHIRING OF FIREFIGHTER BRANDON HUBNER

Chief Buchanon submitted a letter to the Board requesting the Board approve the rehiring of firefighter Brandon Hubner effective May 1, 2022. Chief Buchanon stated Firefighter Hubner was hired June 2, 2017 and due to family reasons, resigned July 5, 2021. He briefly worked for another fire department (Avon) and is still in PERF and established within the state and all certifications are up to date.

Mr. Kirsits asked about Firefighter Hubner's seniority status. Chief Buchanon said he will still have the three (3) years of seniority, but he would be at the bottom of his class' seniority.

Upon a motion by Mr. Heller and seconded by Ms. Colpitts, the Board approved the lateral hiring of the above listed firefighters.

3. <u>APPROVE APPLICATION AND DECLARATION OF RETIREMENT - FIREFIGHTER</u> BRENT BENNETT

Chief Buchanon submitted a letter for the Declaration of Retirement for Pump Engineer Brent Bennett. Chief Buchanon stated Firefighter Bennet was appointed to the SBFD July 24, 1996 and served with loyalty and diligence for more than twenty-five (25) years and his effective date of retirement was April 4, 2022.

President Jones asked if a firefighter or an officer retire early, are they only eligible for a prorated amount of their pension. Chief Buchanon replied that would depend on the standard set by the state, where if you retire with less than twenty (20) years of service and a minimum age of fifty-two (52), the individual would received only a portion of their pension. He noted that Firefighter Bennett was eligible for full benefits.

Upon a motion by Mr. Kirsits and seconded by Ms. Colpitts, the Board approved the Application and Declaration of Retirement for Firefighter Brent Bennet.

4. <u>ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION – FIREFIGHTER BRIAN PIPER</u>

Chief Buchanon submitted a Letter of Resignation for Firefighter Brian Piper. Chief Buchanon noted that Firefighter Piper was appointed to the SBFD August 21, 2013 and has voluntarily resigned with an effective date of March 24, 2022.

Mr. Heller asked if a reason was given for Firefighter Piper's resignation and the Chief stated he had no reason given in the resignation, just that the resignation notice was effective immediately.

On behalf of the Board, President Jones accepted the Letter of Resignation.

5. <u>CONSIDER REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF DICIPLINARY ACTION – THOMAS MCGRATH</u>

Chief Buchanon submitted a letter to the Board to notify them that in accordance with the South Bend Fire Discipline Matrix, he was recommending the suspension of Firefighter Thomas McGrath for Three (3) eight-hour (8) shifts without pay due to Firefighter McGrath neglecting to renew his Indiana State EMS Certification and letting it expire. Although it was a level II infraction, first violation, Assistant Chief of EMS Andrew Meyer said that the work

needed to address the certification issue at the administration level would advance the infraction to a level III infraction.

Attorney Weiss informed the Board that they could uphold or reverse the Chief's decision for disciplinary action or decide if the Board needed to hold a hearing to hear more on the incident. Mr. Kirsits asked if the disciplinary action could be modified, and Attorney Weiss informed the Board that the statute only allowed the Board to uphold or reverse the action requested by Chief Buchanon and the statute takes precedence over any internal policy that allows modifications.

Ms. Colpitts stated she has not seen this being an issue with license renewal for other firefighters and asked about what was entailed with license and certification renewal. Chief Buchanon replied that in this situation, the individual was in the paramedic class as an advanced EMT and while in that class, still needed to maintain his advanced EMT certifications. The individual didn't realize he need to be state licensed while in the class if he was still nationally certified so for eighteen (18) months, he was running calls as an EMT uncertified by the state. Chief Buchanon noted that individuals are notified by the state for expiring certifications and the direct supervisors do not get a copy of the notification.

President Jones asked if there is a system in place for the SBFD to keep track of the certifications without relying on the state and Chief Buchanon said that an individual's certification date does not change year to year so he felt that individuals should be able to be responsible enough to track their own certifications. President Jones asked what the process was for recertification. Chief Buchanon stated that depending on what an individual's particular certification is, they maintain the class and skill hours and have them signed off on by the Assistant Chief of EMS and then the paperwork gets sent downstate. President Jones then asked if Firefighter McGrath maintained the hours but didn't send in the signatures to the state to which Chief Buchanon replied that he did maintain his hours by going to class and doing EMS calls, but he failed to obtain the signatures needed.

President Jones asked if there were legal consequences to having an uncertified EMT and Attorney Shakour informed the Board that there are legal issues, but they were currently still working on getting the final numbers by going through each of his shifts to determine who else was working with him for reporting purposes.

Christian Rose, President of the International Association of Fire Fighter's Local #362, said he represented Firefighter McGrath. He stated that he agreed that the level two (2) infraction was an appropriate discipline for Firefighter McGrath. Firefighter McGrath received all his hours needed to certify, and necessary signatures and approvals. Where he fell short was when he received his national registry recertification, he was under the impression that it automatically certified him through the state as well. Mr. Rose continued to note that Firefighter McGrath didn't have a lot of time on the job, so he received his initial basic certification and when he took his advanced certification a year later, he was moved up to another two (2) year recertification cycle, so this was his first recertification with the state. For eighteen (18) months Firefighter McGrath was under the impression that he was certified, he wasn't aware until his next certification date was approaching, and he hadn't received his notification. When other firefighters in his class received their next certification date, he went to the state website and determined that he was not certified. Christian Rose explained that the only notice Firefighters get from the state is an email thirty (30) days in advance with no notification about lapsing.

President Jones suggested that the Firefighters receive three (3) notifications; one from the State, the Union, and the Fire Department. Mr. Rose stated that he would be willing to keep track and provide notifications to avoid this from happening again.

Mr. Kirsits asked Mr. Rose why he thought Firefighter McGrath deserved a level two (2) infraction over a level three (3). Mr. Rose explained that certifications were added to the discipline matrix to bring attention to the issue of Firefighters missing their certification dates. The level two infraction spells the issue out clearly.

Mr. Kirsits explained that he had an issue with his state recertification at one time. The state had him listed with two different names which caused a problem with him getting certified.

Melissa Colpitts noted that she would like to see the process for certification streamlined so that a Firefighter doesn't lapse on their certification.

Upon a motion by Mr. Heller and seconded by Ms. Colpitts, the Board approved to uphold Chief Buchanon's recommendation of disciplinary action against Firefighter McGrath. Mr. Kirsits voted nay.

6. <u>ACCEPT DONATION</u>

Chief Buchanon submitted Letter to the Board to inform them of a monetary donation received in the amount of \$100 dollars. Chief Buchanon said the donation was received in honor of the life and memory of a South Bend Resident, Mr. John Miller. The donation was submitted by his family with intent to be used towards the continuing education of the firefighters and medics that responded to Mr. Miller's EMS call.

Ms. Colpitts asked Chief Buchanon to send the family a thank-you to the family on behalf of the Board. President Jones accepted the donation from Mr. Miller's family.

7. APPROVE LEXIPOL POLICIES

Policy 317 - Duty of Firearms and Use of Force Policy 1042 - Temporary Limited or Modified Duty Policy

Chief Buchanon submitted the above Lexipol Policies to the Board for approval. Chief Buchanon explained that Policy 317 states that fire investigators who are certified by the SBPD and certified by the State to carry a firearm may do so while investigating by themselves based on the area and the situation they are involved in. This policy outlines what they are able to do and why they are certified to do it.

Mr. Heller asked under what circumstances would fire investigators have arrest powers that then qualifies them to use deadly force. Chief Buchanon explained that only if someone is preventing the fire investigator from doing their job, other than that, they do not have arrest powers. Mr. Heller followed up to ask if their arrest powers were similar to any other citizen in the same circumstances and Attorney Shakour confirmed that was correct.

Mr. Heller asked to what extent does the use of force overlap with SBPD. Attorney Shakour advised that Policy 317 closely matches the statute while referencing SBPD policy. Mr. Heller asked if the policy is for if the investigator feels threatened and a situation requires self-defense. Chief Buchanon explained that this is to protect the fire investigators so they can collect evidence and complete their investigation.

Mr. Heller asked to table Policy 317 until the next Board of Safety meeting in May 2022 in order to look into the policy further.

Chief Buchanon explained Policy 1042 and how it stipulates when a Firefighter gets injured and needs to take time off for a specified amount as required by their physician, what they are allowed to do and when they are allowed to return to work.

Upon a motion by Mr. Heller and seconded by Mr. Kirsits, the Board approved Lexipol Policy 1042.

8. FILE 1ST QUARTER TRAVEL AND TRAINING REPORT

Chief Buchanon Submitted a 1st Quarter Travel and Training Expense Report to the Board. Chief Buchanon said the report shows that the Department's firefighters are continuing their education and providing the best knowledge and services they can give to the residents of South Bend by attending these conferences and staying up-to-date in knowledge and skills.



MONTHLY EXPENSE	NAMES OF ATTENDEES	DESTINATION	JUSTIFICATION	COST / EXPENSES		
JANUARY - \$5528	A/C Andrew Myer	San Diego, CA	Annual EMS Physicians Conf.	registration, air, hotel, meals		
		January 12-17		\$2,140		
	Troy Platz, Tyler King	Phoenix, AZ	Appual Safatu Officers Conf	registration, air, hotel, meals		
	Troy Flatz, Tyler Killig	January 11-14	Annual Safety Officers Conf	car rental, fuel - \$1621		
John Szucs, Eric Griffin		indianapolis, IN	Computer Aided Management	hotel, meals, fuel		
	Ryan Kakalia, Jeff Yoder	January 17-20	of Emergency Ops.	\$1,767		
MARCH - \$845	G. Ellis, J. Fleming, D. Hylkema	Valpariaso, IN	Annual Fire Inspectors	hotel expense		
	J. Davis, J. Gomez, S. Krill	March 16-18	Conference	\$845		
	A/C Todd Skwarcan	College Station, TX	Enhanced Incident Mgmt.	All		
	Aye Todd Skwarean	March 7-11	Unified Command/NFA sponsor	All expenses paid		

9. FILE MONTHLY STATISTICAL ANALYSIS REPORT FOR MARCH 2022

Fire Chief Buchanon submitted the Monthly Statistical Analysis Report for March 2022 to the Board. Chief Buchanon noted that the Department is doing a great job installing fire alarms for citizens and assisting in other fire prevention methods such as youth education and performing inspections for businesses reopening after COVID-19. Chief Buchanon commended his staff for their work despite recent decreases in staffing due to retirements and resignations.

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PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Attorney Weiss reminded the public to use the hand-raising function of Microsoft Teams to indicate their desire to speak during Privilege of the Floor. She reminded attendees that they would be allotted three (3) minutes to speak. Attorney Weiss noted there was nobody online or in-person that wished to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon a motion by Mr. Kirsits and a second by Mr. Heller and carried by roll call, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Daniel Jones, President

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Darryl Heller, Member

Lee Ross, Member

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Alfred Kirsits, Member

ATTEST:

Theresa Heffner, Clerk

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