

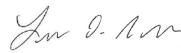
I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Public Safety met in the Executive Session on Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 8:45 a.m. with Board President Dan Jones and Board Members, Darryl Heller, Lee Ross (not present), Al Kirsits, Pamela Claeys and Attorney Danielle Weiss. The meeting was held in the Boardroom, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor., County-City Bldg., 227 W. Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, Indiana and virtually via Microsoft Teams for the purposes specified in I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(A) for discussion of strategy with respect to collective bargaining and I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(9) to discuss a job performance evaluation of an individual employee.

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY



Daniel Jones, Member



Lee Ross, Member



Al Kirsits, Member



Pamela Claeys, Member

ATTEST:



Theresa Heffner, Clerk

I. REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Public Safety met in the Regular Meeting at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, with Board President Dan Jones, and Board Members Darryl Heller, Al Kirsits, Lee Ross (not present) and Pamela Claeys were present. Also, Police Chief Scott Ruszkowski, Assistant Fire Chief Mike Damiano, and Attorneys Danielle Campbell Weiss, Adam Taylor, Kylie Connell, and Board Clerk Theresa Heffner. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, County-City Bldg., 227 W. Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, Indiana and virtually via Microsoft Teams at the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/2024BPSHybrid>

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.

A. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Board President Dan Jones welcomed the public, called roll, and confirmed the presence of the Board Members.

B. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Upon a motion by Al Kirsits, seconded by Darryl Heller, and carried by roll call, the Board approved the Minutes of the September 18, 2024, regular meeting and the September 27, 2024 special meeting. Darryl Heller abstained from voting on the meeting minutes from September 27, 2024 and Dan Jones abstained from voting on the September 18, 2024 meeting minutes.

C. POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. APPROVE PROMOTION TO LIEUTENANT – BRAD ROHRSCHEIB

Police Chief Scott Ruszkowski submitted a letter of recommendation for Officer Brad Rohrscheib to be promoted to Lieutenant and stated Officer Rohrscheib has successfully met the requirements outlined in the working agreement to become a Lieutenant within the SBPD, with an effective date of November 15, 2024.

Upon a motion by Pam Claeys, seconded by Darryl Heller, and followed by a roll call, the Board approved the Promotion to Lieutenant.

2. ACCEPT VOLUNTARY DEMOTION – NEIL GRABER

Police Chief Scott Ruskowski submitted a letter of a voluntary demotion of Lieutenant Neil Graber in Special Assignment in the strategic Focus Unit of the Operations Division to PFC Patrol 1<sup>st</sup> Detail, Patrol Division effective October 1, 2024.

Upon a motion by Darryl Heller, seconded by Al Kirsits, and followed by a roll call, the Board approved the Promotion to Lieutenant.

3. ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION – BRANDON CLARK

Police Chief Scott Ruskowski submitted a letter of resignation for Officer Brandon Clark. Chief Ruskowski stated Officer Clark was sworn in the Department on May 15, 2024, and his effective date of resignation was September 25, 2024. The Board accepted the letters.

4. APPROVE AND RESCIND 2024 SPECIAL POLICE COMMISSIONS

Police Chief Scott Ruskowski submitted a letter on October 3, 2024, to approve and rescind the 2024 Special Police Commissions. Police Chief Ruskowski read through the powers of each category, noting whether they include carrying of a weapon or any powers of arrest.

Pam Claeys asked if they were all paid staff. Chief Ruskowski stated yes but not the volunteers in policing.

Upon a motion by Darryl Heller, seconded by Al Kirsits, and followed by a roll call, the Board approved the 2024 Special Police Commissions.

5. APPROVE 2024 HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREAT HOURS

Police Chief Ruskowski submitted a letter to the Board for the SBPD Halloween Trick or Treat hours to be held on Thursday, October 31, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Upon a motion by Pam Claeys, seconded by Al Kirsits, and followed by a roll call, the 2024 Halloween Trick or Treat hours were approved.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE COMMENDATIONS OF LIFE SAVING AWARD

Police Chief Scott Ruskowski submitted letters for Officers Mollie Anton, Corey Lueth and Matthew Winter. Chief Ruskowski stated Officer Mollie Anton, Matthew Winter, and Corey Lueth's quick actions and life saving measures saved an individual's life in September. Chief Ruskowski commended their efforts. The Board also commended the officers' actions and stated they would be receiving commendation coins.

7. APPROVE LEXIPOL POLICIES

- 203 – Training
- 1014 – Lactation Breaks
- 1024 – Temporary Modified Duty Assignments

Attorney Kylie Connell submitted the above Lexipol policies for approval and reminded the Board Members and the public that the above policies were submitted to the Board at the September 27, 2024 Board of Public Safety Special Meeting. She noted minor code changes in each of the policies.

For policy 1024 Attorney Connell noted that the Pregnancy Workers Act is more of a limitation rather than a disability.

Pam Claeys asked if the officers that the policy applies to were part of the decision in the changes. Attorney Connell noted that they were included in the original discussions, but there were minor changes, so they didn't think they needed broader input.

Darryl Heller asked if this policy change was from the state. Attorney Connell noted that it was federal.

Pam Claeys asked what causes a member to be assigned to participate in the daily training bulletins in policy 203.6. Chief Ruzkowski advised that it is a bit confusing, but we do have a daily bulletin that all officers are required to go over that is similar to the one available online, except we have a bit more detailed information and that is updated every seventy two (72) hours. When each shift comes on, they not only review that during roll call, but they also have it in their shared drive, and they can get the civilian copy that is online as well. Training bulletins themselves are not every day, but rather three (3) or four (4) times a week. Something comes out on a training bulletin that all officers are required to review, whether it is e-mail, read at roll call, or it is entered into the share drive, they are required to look at whatever that training bulletin itself may be. It could be officer awareness, a crime, a new system that may have come out that we may not have but should have awareness of.

Upon a motion by Pam Claeys, seconded by Al Kirsits, and followed by a roll call, Lexipol Policies 203, 1014, and 1024 were approved.

8. RECEIVE LEXIPOL POLICIES

- 316 – Missing Persons
- 317 – Public Alerts
- 502 – Vehicle Towing

Attorney Kylie Connell submitted the above Lexipol Policies for review by the Board and to be considered for approval at the next Board meeting in November. Attorney Connell presented a summary of each item above.

Darryl Heller asked if there were any significant changes to policy 502 that they should know about. Attorney Connell advised that there wasn't anything outstanding. One (1) of the biggest changes was the involvement of the Records Department. She clarified that the language did not mirror what was actually happening. It is actually the towing company that was making notices, not the records department, and that matches with what is permitted by law that we service out for the towing. It is the towing company that contacts the individuals who are having their vehicles towed.

Darryl Heller asked if the two companies were rotational. Chief Ruzkowski noted that the bids were submitted to the Board of Public Works and there are two (2) companies that fulfilled the bid requirements and those are rotated back and forth.

9. FILE 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER REPORT FOR SPECIALIZED SCHOOLS

Police Chief Ruzkowski submitted the quarterly report for specialized schools for July, August, and September of 2024.

Pam Claeys noted that three (3) officers went to the Crime Stoppers Conference, but it only shows one (1) of them attended. Chief Ruzkowski advised that there was one (1) officer and two (2) civilians.

Quarterly Report for Specialized Schools  
Q3 2024 (July 1 - September 31)

Officer's Name	Name of Training	Career Path Development	Location	Start Date	End Date	Training Hours	# Officers Attended	Total Hours	Estimated Cost	Fee	Hotel	Per Diem	Air Fare	Misc.	Actual Cost
Jeremy Wright	Hostage Negotiations Phase 2	Yes	Birmingham, AL	7/7/2024	7/12/2024	40	1	40	\$ 1,644.50	\$ 650.00	\$ 615.00	\$ 375.00			\$ 1,644.50
James Burns	ICPC Training Seminar	Yes	Pittsburgh, PA	7/14/2024	7/19/2024	18	1	18	\$ 1,992.05	\$ 400.00	\$ 1,099.30	\$ 294.00	\$ 75.00		\$ 1,868.30
Summer Dean	NASRO School	Yes	Fort Wayne, IN	7/22/2024	7/26/2024	40	1	40	\$ 1,220.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 432.00	\$ 288.00			\$ 1,720.00
Sam Cruz, Antonio Pacheco	2024 IAHCN Conference	Yes	Fishers, IN	7/30/2024	8/2/2024	20	2	40	\$ 1,431.55	\$ 400.00	\$ 548.55	\$ 483.00			\$ 1,431.55
Andrew Jackson, Steven Sloan	Intro to Night Vision	Yes	Fowler, IN	8/2/2024	8/2/2024	8	2	16	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00					\$ 550.00
Brian Kendall	Human Trafficking	Yes	Evanston, IN	8/4/2024	8/9/2024	16	1	16	\$ 361.50		\$ 214.00	\$ 147.50			\$ 361.50
Austin Worek, Kadeen Hughes	National Gang Crime Center 2024	Yes	Chicago, IL	8/4/2024	8/7/2024	24	2	48	\$ 3,057.55	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 864.55	\$ 493.00			\$ 3,057.55
Kate Schermer (Kvillar)	Open Source Intelligence	Yes	Shippensburg, PA	8/5/2024	8/9/2024	0		0	\$ 45.00			\$ 45.00			\$ 45.00
Jalin Diggins, Rodolfo Espinoza	Moving Surveillance Course	Yes	Fort Wayne, IN	8/8/2024	8/8/2024	24	2	48	\$ 920.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 214.00	\$ 256.00			\$ 920.00
Sierra Halstead, Zariah Walker (Kvillar)	IAI 2024 Conference	Yes	Reno, NV	8/13/2024	8/17/2024	0	2	0	\$ 3,815.51	\$ 950.00	\$ 1,042.56	\$ 950.00	\$ 819.96		\$ 3,762.52
Dominic Rodriguez	Sexual Assault Investigations	Yes	Plainfield, IN	8/19/2024	8/22/2024	16	1	16	\$ 206.50			\$ 206.50			\$ 206.50
Bryan Wetkles	Role Technique of Investigative Interviewing	Yes	Kendallville, IN	8/20/2024	8/23/2024	24	1	24	\$ 630.00	\$ 630.00					\$ 630.00
Carry Hof, Randall McMurray	CT International Conference	Yes	Indianapolis, IN	8/25/2024	8/28/2024	11	2	22	\$ 2,527.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,044.00	\$ 483.00			\$ 2,527.00
Tyler Doston, Travis Kukla, Randall McMurray	Teach NLEA EVOG	Yes	Plainfield, IN	9/8/2024	9/13/2024	0	3	0	\$ 2,443.50	\$ -	\$ 1,470.00	\$ 973.50			\$ 2,443.50
Alex Pacesny	Drug Interdiction and Completing the Traffic Stop	Yes	Valparaiso, IN	9/9/2024	9/10/2024	16	1	16	\$ 30.00			\$ 30.00			\$ 30.00
Kayla Miller, Ashley O'Neal, Karen Plencner	Crime Stoppers USA Conference	Yes	Indianapolis, IN	9/13/2024	9/16/2024	16	1	16	\$ 2,870.48	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 1,045.98	\$ 724.50			\$ 2,870.48
Joseph Carey	Collibrite Certified Operator	Yes	Lafayette, IN	9/15/2024	9/20/2024	40	1	40	\$ 5,527.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 675.00	\$ 352.00			\$ 5,527.00
Andrew Jackson, Robert Jenson, Charles Eklins, Charles Eklins, Sierra Halstead, Lance Kosinski (Kvillar)	Mechanical, Thermal, Power Tools Breaching Course	Yes	Mishawaka, IN	9/16/2024	9/18/2024	24	2	48	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 1,850.00					\$ 1,850.00
Randall McMurray, Russell Lupica	Latent Print Examiner Proficiency Test (Online Test)	Yes	South Bend, IN			0	3	0	\$ 975.00	\$ 975.00					\$ 975.00
Randall McMurray, Russell Lupica	To teach 2024 Crime Scene Investigation Level 2	Yes	Plainfield, IN	9/29/2024	9/30/2024	0	2	0	\$ 391.00		\$ 214.00	\$ 177.00			\$ 391.00
<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>937.00</b>	<b>31.00</b>	<b>448.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,488.14</b>	<b>\$ 15,655.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,478.94</b>	<b>\$ 6,282.50</b>	<b>\$ 819.96</b>	<b>\$ 75.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,311.40</b>

10. FILE MONTHLY STATISTICAL ANALYSIS REPORT FOR AUGUST 2024

Chief Scott Ruskowski submitted the September 2024 Monthly Statistical Analysis Report. He noted there they are down seventeen percent (17%) in Part One Offenses. He also noted that arsons went up by 120% from fifteen (15) to thirty-three (33) incidents. He also noted the second justifiable homicide is not counted in the actual percentage, it is just a notification for the Board.

Darryl Heller asked for more of an explanation of how justifiable homicides are counted. Chief Ruskowski explained that if the homicides were civilian, the classification, regardless of what happened, is murder. The prosecutor decides whether a homicide is justified or not. SBPD does not make that determination. That is why it is not counted in these stats. Several years ago it was brought up by the Board to try to get an understanding because the numbers themselves did not change and it gave the appearance that when you submit a justifiable homicide, that it would be taken off, and it's not. We still count it as a homicide. It is very convoluted to say the least, but that is not our determination. The prosecutor does not have the requirements to classify police reports, that data goes to the FBI and the DOJ. The prosecutor has no involvement or veted interest in those classifications. Generally speaking, it could be someone that had been attacked and was defending themself.

Darryl Heller asked Chief Ruskowski if he could share more about the complaint from the Department of Justice. Chief Ruskowski advised that he has read the DOJ filing and noted that Council has several points of contention with it. SBPD has been nothing but open and transparent with the Board and the community. Attorney Connell advised that further discussion would need to be done during an executive session. Attorney Weiss advised that because it is pending litigation it would fall under one of the executive session exceptions.

The SEPTEMBER 2024 analysis is as follows:

PART 1 OFFENSES	YEAR TO DATE					
	2023	2024	CHANGE	2023	2024	CHANGE
HOMICIDE	1	0	-1	14	7	-7
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE*	0	0	0	1	2	1
RAPE	3	5	2	45	52	7
ROBBERY	12	14	2	187	147	-40
AGGRAVATED ASSLT	99	106	7	933	844	-89
BURGLARY RES	45	22	-23	363	292	-71
BURGLARY NON RES	19	19	0	193	144	-49
LARCENY	215	155	-60	1745	1347	-398
MOTOR VEH THEFT	34	45	11	362	334	-28
ARSONS	2	5	3	15	33	18
GRAND TOTAL	430	371	-59	3857	3200	-657

Month: SEPTEMBER 2024

<u>PART 1 OFFENSES</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
HOMICIDE	14	7	-50%
JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE*	1	2	100%
RAPE	45	52	16%
ROBBERY	187	147	-21%
AGGRAVATED ASSLT	933	844	-10%
BURGLARY RES.	363	292	-20%
BURGLARY NON RES.	193	144	-25%
LARCENY	1745	1347	-23%
MOTOR VEH THEFT	362	334	-8%
ARSONS	15	33	120%
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>3857</b>	<b>3200</b>	<b>-17%</b>

-17% CHANGE IN PART 1 CRIMES THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2024

\* This number does not go into the totals as it is not a crime.

**D. FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**1. ACKNOWLEDGE COMMENDATIONS OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE**

Assistant Fire Chief Mike Damiano submitted a Letter of Commendation of Meritorious Service for Firefighter Chad Stanley. Chief Buchanon stated Firefighter Chad Stanley pushed a man in his electric wheelchair over one (1) mile to get him home safely after the man’s wheelchair lost power and stalled in the middle of the road. Chief Mike Damiano read the commendation letter to the Board.

Fire Chief Carl Buchanon submitted a Letter of Commendation of Meritorious Service for Battalion Chief Chris Baker, Captain Shawn Kuminecz, Captain Dave Pritz, Captain Steve Pritz, Captain Brent VanBrauene, and Firefighter Kevin Bahus. Chief Buchanon stated Battalion Chief Chris Baker, Captain Shawn Kuminecz, Captain Dave Pritz, Captain Steve Pritz, Captain Brent VanBrauene, and Firefighter Kevin Bahus were deployed to North Carolina as a Type II Swiftwater Team through an Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) request. Their ability to work as a team was extraordinary and amazed the local responders as well as the citizens who were fighting for their lives and property amidst the swift-moving rivers, creeks, and flooded areas. The firefighters safely moved North Carolinians out of harm’s way, while watching their homes and belongings being destroyed by the devastation of Hurrican Helene. These firefighters demonstrated courage, teamwork, and professionalism with their life saving rescue efforts during this historic event. Chief Mike Damiano read the commendation letter to the Board.

Al Kirsits added that because he knows a little bit about this, he stated that he is very proud as a resident of South Bend and that they were deployed to help another state. This group of six (6) firefighters has worked hard. They keep the Indiana River Rescue School going as the premier Swift water training program in the United States and they take it to such a high level. He knows it is a hard task because the guys get stressed and it is a lot of work, but he certainly appreciates seeing what they've done with that program, taking it to an elite level. It is good to see that what they teach and do here in South Bend, but then to take it out and share it with the rest of the country when it needs it is even better. He is sure that the Sbfd will probably have some more students coming to the Indiana River Rescue School after they work with the guys out there. He thanked the firefighters involved and showed his appreciation.

Dan Jones stated that he has three (3) kids in the Carolinas, two (2) in Charlotte and one (1) in Charleston and he knows Highway forty (40) and twenty six (26) in Asheville, stating it is a really treacherous territory.

**2. FILE QUARTERLY TRAVEL AND TRAINING REPORT**

Assistant Chief Mike Damiano submitted the quarterly travel and training report.



**SOUTH BEND FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
 Quarterly Travel & Training Expenses: July-September 2024  
 Carl R. Buchanan, Fire Chief

MONTHLY EXPENSE	NAMES OF ATTENDEES	DESTINATION	JUSTIFICATION	COST / EXPENSES
July - \$5278	Cortney Brooks	Greenwood, IN July 19, 2024	Extrication Operations Training Board Meeting	\$1,250.00 Registration, meals, hotel
	Robert Henry, Devan Garcia Hunter Gianetti	Findlay, OH July 26-28	Advanced Open Water Dive Training	\$2,930 Registration, hotel, meals
	C. Buchanan, T. Skwarcan, J. Hudak S. Pohl, J. Mika, B. VanBruaene	St. Louis, MO July 21-22	Rosenbauer truck specifications	\$1,098 hotel, meals
August - \$1616	John Szucs	Danville, IN August 11-14	Annual Conference-International Assoc. of Arson Investigators	Registration, hotel, meals \$1,616
September - \$1939	Carl Buchanan, Fire Chief	Indianapolis Sept. 5	Indiana Fallen Firefighter Remembrance Ceremony	\$51 meal per diem
	Devan Garcia, Jason Biek, Erin Tibbs	Las Vegas, NV Sept. 10-14	EMS World Conference District 2 Healthcare Coalition sponsor	\$863 meal per diem
	Cortney Brooks	Indianapolis, IN Sept. 22-27	Structural Collapse Rescue Training	\$1,025 Registration, meals, hotel
<b>QUARTER TOTAL - \$8,833</b>				

3. FILE MONTHLY STATISTICAL ANALYSIS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2024  
 Assistant Chief Mike Damiano submitted the monthly statistical analysis report for September 2024.

SEPTEMBER 2023	SEPTEMBER 2024
<b>STRUCTURE FIRES</b> Property Damage--Buildings & Contents (Estimates)	
\$71,000	\$109,000
<b>INSPECTION DIVISION</b>	
168 Total Inspections	120 Total Inspections
<b>INVESTIGATION DIVISION</b>	
5 Investigations	10 Investigations
1 Incendiary 2 Accidental 0 Natural 2 Undetermined	2 Incendiary 5 Accidental 0 Natural 3 Undetermined

Investigated Fire Incidents 2024 September

Incident Type	
Building fire	8
Passenger vehicle fire	2
Total for month	10
Property Use	
1 or 2 family dwelling	8
Restaurant or cafeteria	2
Total for Month	10
Cause Of Ignition	
Cause undetermined after investigation	1
Unintentional	5
Cause under investigation	2
Intentional	2
Total for Month	10
Property loss	
Building fire	109000
Passenger vehicle fire	8000
Total for Month	\$117,000.00
Content Loss	
Building fire	57000
Passenger vehicle fire	800
Total for Month	\$57,800.00
Civilian Injury/Death Incidents	
Total for Month	0
Fire Service injury/Death Incidents	
Total for Month	0
Smoke Alarms Present	
None present	4
Present	4
Total for Month	8

# Fire Index - Incident Type Breakdown

This measure comes from the ESO Fire Index. See national performance at: <https://www.eso.com/resources/fire-index/>

Count of Total Incidents & Exposures

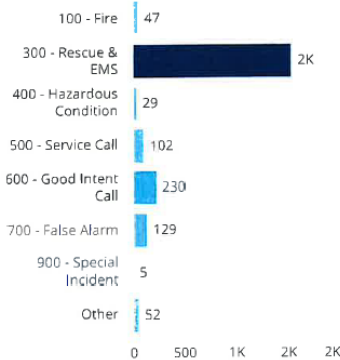
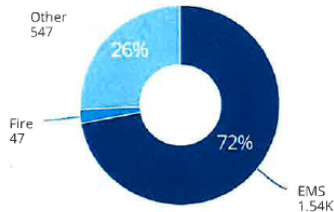
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Count of Incidents  
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Count of Exposures **2129**

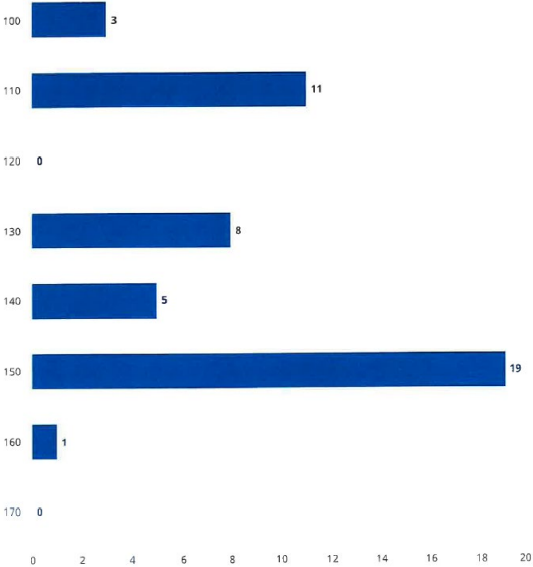
Aid Given  
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Aid Received **1917**

EMS/Fire Incident Breakdown

Count of Incidents by Incident Type



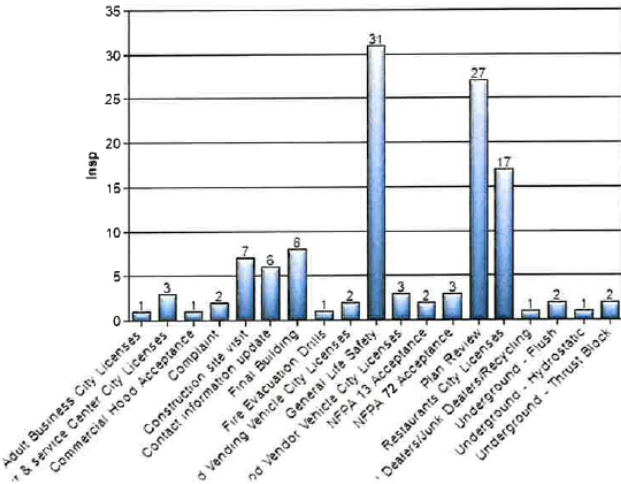
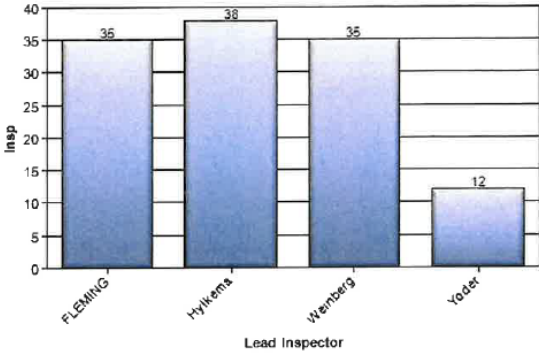
Count of Fire Incidents by Type





2024 September	Unit
Apparatus Name	Totals
M11	198
E5	123
M10	177
E9	185
E3	250
M9	348
E7	188
M2	410
R1	155
M5	279
E8	149
M1	368
M1661	271
M1662	262
TR7	85
E1	265
TR3	97
TR1	153
E10	222
E2	231
F102	97
F116	56
M1660	145
E6	184
M4	315
E4	187
F103	94
TR6	77
E11	132
F118	9
F133	7
F112	2
F111	2
HAZ1	2
BOAT9	2
HAZ2	1
F105	3
Totals	5731

Monthly Inspections







2024	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Y.T.D.
Smoke Alarms	81	131	197	79	124	3	1	31	34				681
Carbon Monoxides	29	41	14	4	53	1	0	8	7				157
Combinations	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0				2
Batteries	9	16	2	21	8	0	0	3	0				59
Hearing Impaired	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0				3

2024	Community	Risk	Reduction	Services	
	Events	Children	Adults	Educational Supplies	Pub Ed Hours
January	7	64	58	71	9
February	50	58	108	50	1,500
March	7	25	82	97	17
April	2	125	242	518	16
May	6	84	1294	151	10
June	14	523	428	0	25
July	30	579	237	248	26.5
August	27	256	623	260	30
September	16	163	117	117	27.5
October					
November					
December					
<b>Totals</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>1877</b>	<b>3189</b>	<b>1,512</b>	<b>1661</b>

2024	Requested APRA's	Collected Fees
January	13	\$36.00
February	16	\$9.00
March	18	\$27.00
April	21	\$9.00
May	20	\$9.00
June	13	\$0.00
July	17	\$18.00
August	15	\$9.00
September	25	\$0.00
October		
November		
December		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>\$117.00</b>

Chief Buchanon noted

**E. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

**Assistant Chief Damiano of SBF**D acknowledged the partnership between the South Bend Police and the South Bend Fire Department in the recovery efforts down in the Carolinas and in Tennessee. The two (2) departments collected a lot of supplies that were needed for residents that have been devastated with some residents losing everything. They sent five (5) trailers anywhere from a thirty foot (30') fifth wheel to

120 foot and a twenty six foot (26') box truck full of supplies. This was all voluntary from police officers and firefighters and the community and they made a difference. He spoke with one of the firefighters that was part of that delivery that morning and they want to see something even larger because of how many people lost everything. He also wanted to commend the partnership and the community involvement in helping our fellow Americans in this time of need.

Pam Claeys stated those partnerships are critical and thanked both departments.

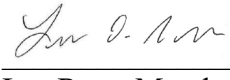
F. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon a motion by Darryl Heller, seconded by Al Kirsits, and carried by roll call, the meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

  
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Daniel Jones, Member

  
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Lee Ross, Member


  
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Al Kirsits, Member

  
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Pamela Claeys, Member

ATTEST:

  
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Theresa Heffner, Clerk