



CITY OF BRISTOL POLICE AWARDS COMMITTEE

April 7th, 2026, 9:00 A.M.
BPD CONFERENCE ROOM
131 NORTH MAIN STREET

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Council Member Sue Tyler
Co-chairperson: Deputy Chief Robert Osborne
Sworn Officers: Lieutenant Lang Mussen, Officer Andrew McKirryher
Member of E-Board: Officer James Pelletier
Dispatcher/Member of Union Local 233: Christopher Atwood
Non-Sworn BPD Staff Civilian: Jillian Portal

ABSENT:

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Member of E-Board: ACO Ray Zagurski

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Chief Osborne called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

Dispatcher Atwood made a motion TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 3RD MEETING, Seconded by Jillian Portal.

Council Member Tyler made a motion TO AMEND THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 3RD MEETING TO REMOVE CHAIRPERSON AS BEING ABSENT, Seconded by Jillian Portal.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

4. NOMINATIONS OF AWARDS

Ofc. Pelletier made a motion TO APPROVE AWARD SUBMISSION 26-8, THE DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN'S AWARD TO ULYSSES ROBINSON, Seconded by Dispatcher Atwood.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

Ofc. Pelletier made a motion TO APPROVE AWARD SUBMISSION 26-9, THE DEPARTMENT SILVER STAR AWARD TO OFFICERS DUNCAN, FISHER, LEVINE, BAZAREWSKY, AND GENOVESE, Seconded by Ofc. McKirryher.

Discussion held.

Ofc. Pelletier moved THE QUESTION TO END THE DISCUSSION, Seconded by Dispatcher Atwood.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

Ofc. Pelletier made a motion TO APPROVE AWARD SUBMISSION 26-10, THE DEPARTMENT SILVER STAR AWARD TO OFFICERS FISHER, LEVINE, BAZAREWSKY, FRECHETTE, WALLACE, ALFARO, SOUCY-FIELD, TARASCIO, AND MITCHELL, Seconded by Ofc. McKirryher.

Discussion held.

Lt. Mussen made a motion TO AMEND AWARD SUBMISSION 26-10 TO INCLUDE SGT. FRANEK, Seconded by Ofc. McKirryher.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

Ofc. Pelletier made a motion TO APPROVE AWARD SUBMISSION 26-11, A LETTER OF COMMENDATION TO OFFICERS PETZING, WARZECHO, AND HOGAN, Seconded by Lt. Mussen.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

5. **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

Ofc. Pelletier made a motion TO AWARD OFFICERS FISHER, LEVINE, BAZAREWSKY, FRECHETTE, WALLACE, ALFARO, SOUCY-FIELD, TARASCIO, MITCHELL, AND SGT. FRANEK, OFFICERS OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2026, Seconded by Dispatcher Atwood.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

6. **DISPATCHER OF THE MONTH**

None

7. **OLD BUSINESS**

Deputy Chief Osborne discussed the Honoring Heroes dinner held on March 30th and asked the committee what they thought of the event. The committee members who attended agreed that they liked that it was combined with other departments this year.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

Lt. Mussen spoke about the awards medals/pins inventory and presented a spreadsheet showing what we currently have in stock.

Dispatcher Atwood spoke about the location change and wanted to let the committee know that it will be more difficult for a dispatcher to attend meetings if they are not held in the Police Department building. A discussion was held about the new location and security.

Ofc. Pelletier made a motion TO ASK CORPORATION COUNSEL TO REVIEW THE MEETING GUIDELINES AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE CHAIRPERSON CAN APPOINT AN ACTING CHAIRPERSON IN THEIR ABSENCE, Seconded by Lt. Mussen.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Lt. Mussen moved to ADJOURN, Seconded by Ofc. Pelletier.

VOTE: UNANIMOUSLY PASSED

The Awards Committee meeting for the 7th day of April 2026 was HEREBY ADJOURNED at 9:47 A.M.

Jillian Portal
Recording Secretary