

**CITY OF BELLE ISLE**  
**1600 Nela Avenue, Belle Isle, FL 32809**



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**POLICE ADVISORY BOARD**

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February 26, 2024  
3:30pm

**1. Call to Order**

- a) Welcome and introduction of board members
- b) Approval of previous meeting minutes – Dec 11, 2024

**2. Public Comments**

Open floor for community concerns, suggestions, and feedback

**3. Projects for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year**

- a) Discussion of upcoming initiatives and funding allocation
- b) Updates on current department projects and future needs
- c) Budget considerations for proposed community engagement programs
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**4. Citizens Police Academy**

- a) Overview of the planned program for community members
- b) Goals: Increase transparency, educate residents on police operations, build community trust
- c) Structure: Weekly sessions covering patrol procedures, investigations, traffic enforcement, and K-9 demonstrations
- d) Potential start date and enrollment process
- e) **Estimated Budget:** \$3,000 - \$5,000
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**5. First Aid Class**

- a) Free community first aid training in partnership with local EMS/fire departments
- b) Basic first aid skills, CPR certification options, and emergency response techniques
- c) Scheduling and instructor coordination
- d) **Estimated Budget:** \$1,500 - \$2,500
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**6. Women's Self-Defense Course**

- a) Expansion of self-defense training for women in the community
  - b) Hands-on instruction in personal safety, situational awareness, and defensive techniques
  - c) Potential partnerships with self-defense trainers or martial arts instructors
  - d) **Estimated Budget:** \$2,000 - \$4,000
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## 7. Boater Safety Course

- a) Boater education and safety initiative to reduce water-related incidents
- b) Target audience: New boaters, youth, and recreational users
- c) Coordination with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)
- d) Certification opportunities for attendees
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## 8. Gun Safety Class

- a) Community firearm safety education to promote responsible gun ownership
- b) Topics: Proper handling, safe storage, legal considerations, and hands-on training
- c) Partnerships with certified firearm instructors
- d) Schedule and location discussion
- e) **Estimated Budget:** \$2,500 - \$5,000
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## 9. Flag Replacement Program & Flag Initiative

- a) Initiative to replace worn or damaged American flags in public areas and at homes upon request
- b) Coordination with local veterans' organizations and community groups
- c) Budget and funding sources for new flags
- d) Volunteer and public participation opportunities
- e) **Estimated Budget:** \$5,000 - \$10,000
- f) **Belle Isle Police Department Flag Initiative:**
  - i. Flags will be flown over the department for three-month periods
  - ii. Retired flags will be available for purchase by residents, accompanied by a display case and certificate from Chief Travis Grimm
  - iii. Package includes a handcrafted walnut display case and a hand-sewn American flag
  - iv. Resident cost: \$200, supporting program sustainability and community initiatives
  - v. Reservations open in October 2025 on a first-come, first-served basis
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## 10. Adjournment

Next meeting date and closing remarks

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Police Advisory Board Minutes  
December 11, 2024 – 3:30 pm

Present was:  
Woody Johnson, Chairman  
Dale Dennis  
Ted Spruill  
Bruce Lincoln

Absent was:  
Charlotte Hobbs, Secretary  
Allen Haskins  
Andrew Dunigan

1. Call to order and Confirmation of Quorum

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm. Quorum was confirmed  
Chief Grimm was also present

2. Approval of meeting minutes

A copy of the minutes from the was not available so they will be brought up for approval at  
the next meeting

3. Chairman Johnson opened for board discussion and selection of the nominations for  
Police Annual Awards.

Annual Awards were selected and will be presented at City Council meeting on January 7,  
2025.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Johnson called for a motion to adjourn. The Board  
moved to adjourn at 4:20 pm.

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