

TO: Mayor Montgomery and City Council

FROM: Jeffrey L. McCormick, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Recognition Awards

DATE: May 1, 2024

BACKGROUND

One of the things I did after coming to Cannon Falls was the implementation of a recognition program within the Police Department to formalize the process of recognizing both department employees and those that provide assistance to the department. I am proud of the actions of the officers previously recognized and we are very pleased to again be coming before the City Council to recognize three officers for their actions in saving a life.

I feel that recognizing officers of their actions like saving a life as part of National Police Week reinforces the many varied roles that police officers perform and that officers are more than law enforcers but serve our community in many ways.

I have invited Officer Michael Truax, Nathaniel Fox and Officer Tyler Johnson to the City Council meeting to receive this recognition.

**Officer Michael Truax
Lifesaving Award**

**Officer Nathaniel Fox
Lifesaving Award**

On April 13, 2024, Officers Truax and Fox were dispatched to an overdose on the north side of Cannon Falls. When the officers arrived, the victim was unconscious and blue in color. A relative had started doing CPR and given Narcan to the victim. Officer Truax took over CPR and Officer Fox started the AED, administered oxygen to the victim and prepared another Narcan. The victim began breathing on his own. Cannon Falls Ambulance and Rescue arrived and care was turned over to them.

**Officer Tyler Johnson
Lifesaving Award**

On February 24, 2023 Officer Tyler Johnson was dispatched to check the welfare of a resident on the north side of Cannon Falls, after telling someone they were going to take Fentanyl pills to harm themselves. When he arrived, the victim was found on the floor unconscious and blue in color. Officer Johnson started CPR and continued assisting with CPR once the Cannon Falls Ambulance arrived. The victim was transported to the hospital and survived.