

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Police Merit Commission
June 10, 2024
Public Assembly Room
Regular Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Wheeler, Gail Gartin, Karen Horth Powers, Bob Hendrickson, and Ronald Christensen

MEMBERS BY MICROSOFT TEAMS: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Amber Baldwin

STAFF PRESENT: Lieutenant Scott Evans

STAFF BY MICROSOFT TEAMS: None

Commission President Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

COMMENTS OF COMMISSION MEMBERS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Christensen moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 9, 2024. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hendrickson. By a roll call vote, the motion was carried 5-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Lt. Scott Evans presented a request for the filing of the written examination results with level 3 CSEM (70%). 25 candidates will proceed to the review of oral interview minimum passing standards. Mr. Christensen moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderickson. By unanimous vote, the motion was carried.

Lt Evans presented a request for the filing of oral interview results of Acceptable or Outstanding (100-60%). 17 candidates will proceed to the background phase and the remaining 8 will be removed as their scores were unacceptable. Mr Christensen moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hendrickson. By unanimous vote, the motion was carried.

Lt Evans requested to determine the selection criteria – If applicable: Recommended to give 0.5 point for each section – These points will be added when determining the eligibility list.

- a. War veteran who has been honorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces.
 - i. War Veteran: a veteran who served in the active-duty military, naval, or air service (including Reservist and National Guard) in a theater of combat operations after November 11, 1998.
- b. Mother or father who was a firefighter of a unit, municipal police officer, or county police officer, died in the line of duty (as defined in IC 5-10-10-2).
- c. Was a police officer, firefighter, county police officer or a full-time or part-time employee by a township to provide fire protection and emergency services; who has been laid off (IC 36-8-4-11); and/or
- d. A Tier 1 graduate from the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) from the basic law enforcement certification and maintained in-service training hours for the certification.

Ms. Gartin moved to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Ms. Horth-Powers. By unanimous vote, the motion was carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:09pm., by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Charles Wheeler, President

Amber Baldwin, Executive Assistant

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, except for the motions. An audiotape is made which provides a detailed record.