

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Police Merit Commission
June 1, 2021
Special Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Wheeler, Gail Gartin, Bob Hendrickson and Karen Horth Powers were present

MEMBERS BY ZOOM: Robert Crouch

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton

STAFF PRESENT: None

STAFF BY ZOOM: Captain Schneider

Commission President Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

COMMENTS OF COMMISSION MEMBERS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Gartin moved to approve the minutes of the special meetings on April 19, 2021 and April 23, 2021. The motion was seconded by Ms. Powers. By a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Captain Schneider filed the results of the Oral Interview phase of the Applicant Process to determine the minimum passing standards. Following discussion, Ms. Powers moved to approve the recommendation from the Institute for Public Safety Personnel (IPSP) for applicants who scored higher than 67.003%. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gartin. By a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0. Ms. Powers moved to accept applicants 1-31 based on that standard and have the applicants proceed to the background phase of the hiring process. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hendrickson. By a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

COMMENTS OF THE POLICE CHIEF: Captain Schneider thanked the Commission for their willingness to have another special meeting, thus allowing the schedule for hiring and promotions to continue smoothly. There will need to be another special meeting prior to September 9, 2021 to approve the Sergeant and Lieutenant eligibility lists.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m., by the unanimous vote of the Commission.

Charles Wheeler, President

Kathleen Walton, City Clerk

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