

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Police Merit Commission
February 9, 2026
Lawrence Police Department Training Room
Regular Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronald Christensen, Karen Horth-Powers, Gail Gartin

MEMBERS BY MICROSOFT TEAMS: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: Charles Wheeler, Robert Hendrickson

ALSO PRESENT: Lisa Harvey

STAFF PRESENT: Lieutenant Scott Evans

STAFF PRESENT BY MICROSOFT TEAMS: None

Ron Christenson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and announced a quorum was present.

COMMENTS OF COMMISSION MEMBERS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Christensen moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on December 8, 2025. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gail Gartin. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

New Business:

Approval of 2026 Lieutenant's promotion eligibility list brought forward by Lt. Evans. Karen-Horth Powers motioned to approve. Gail Gartin seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of 2026 Sergeant's promotion eligibility list. Gail Gartin motioned to approve. Karen-Horth Powers seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

COMMENTS OF THE POLICE CHIEF: Lt. Evans thanked everyone on behalf of Chief Bigsbee.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm by unanimous vote of the Board.

NEXT MTG: 3/9/26 6:00pm

Charles Wheeler, President

Lisa Harvey, Executive Assistant

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, except for the motions.