

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Police Merit Commission
February 10, 2020
Regular Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Wheeler, Gail Gartin, Robert Crouch and Karen Horth Powers were present

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton

STAFF PRESENT: Police Chief Hofmann, Deputy Police Chief Woodruff, Sergeant Tracy Easterday and Officer Josh Wise were present

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: Ms. Powers moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 13, 2020. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gartin and carried 4-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PERFORMANCE RECOGNITION: Police Chief Hofmann invited Sergeant Tracy Easterday and Officer Josh Wise to join him at the podium. Police Chief Hofmann informed the Commission of the actions by Sergeant Easterday and Officer Wise on January 18, 2020. The incident involved events that stretched from the Castleton area down I465 to 56th Street and into Lawrence. The specifics of the actions by Sergeant Easterday and Officer Wise are contained in the Chief's attached comments. After his comments, Police Chief Hofmann presented a Police Merit Commission certificate of recognition to Sergeant Easterday and Officer Wise.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS: Police Chief Hofmann said the 911 center has opened at 5150 N. Post Road. That completes the move of the Lawrence Police Department into its new headquarters.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 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.