

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Police Merit Commission
August 30, 2021
Special Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Wheeler, Gail Gartin, and Bob Hendrickson

MEMBERS BY ZOOM: Robert Crouch, and Karen Horth Powers

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton

STAFF PRESENT: Police Chief Hofmann, and Captain Schneider

STAFF BY ZOOM: None

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 regular meeting on July 12, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hendrickson. By a roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Police Chief Hofmann requested approval of the Sergeant Promotion eligibility list. Mr. Hendrickson moved to approve the Sergeant Promotion eligibility list. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gartin. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Hofmann requested approval of the Lieutenant Promotion eligibility list. Mrs. Gartin moved to approve the Lieutenant Promotion eligibility list. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hendrickson. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS OF POLICE CHIEF: Police Chief Hofmann commended Captain Erika Schneider for her work on the certification of the recent promotion lists. He noted the very professional way by which she approached her responsibilities and reminded everyone of the considerable work that goes into organizing and managing these lists.

President Wheeler concluded the meeting by announcing that Commission member Robert Crouch is resigning as he and his family are moving from Lawrence. President Wheeler went on wish Mr. Crouch and his family the very best and expressed his pleasure in serving with Mr. Crouch in recent years. He then thanked him for his service.

In response, Mr. Crouch expressed his enjoyment in working with public safety professionals and wished them the very best.

Police Chief Hofmann also thanked Mr. Crouch for his service to the Lawrence Police Merit Commission and the Lawrence Police Department.

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