



# Muncie Police Merit Commission

## Call to order:

A meeting of the Muncie Police Merit Commission was held on Thursday, October 5, 2023 at 300 N. High Street Muncie, IN 47305- City Hall Auditorium  
Bruce Qualls called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm

## Roll call:

Attendees included - Bruce Qualls, Phillip Miller, Chuck Zimmers, Dea Bell, Mark Ervin and Nathan Sloan

## Members not in attendance:

Members not in attendance- Carisa Aguilar

## Approval of minutes:

Chuck made a motion to accept the September 21, 2023 meeting minutes with any necessary corrections. Bruce seconded the motion. Motion to approve the meeting minutes with any necessary corrections is carried by voice vote.

## Old business:

n/a

## Business from Police Chief:

Chief asked the Commission to switch Jimmy Gibson's status from Reserve Officer to Special Police. He also asked the Commission to appoint EMS Fire Chief, Wesley Miller to Special Police status. This will allow him to go on deployment with the SWAT team in case there are injuries, etc. Chuck made a motion to appoint Jimmy Gibson and Wesley Miller as special police officers for the Muncie Police Department. Dea seconded the motion. Motion to appoint both Jimmy Gibson and Wesley Miller as Special Police Officers is carried by voice vote.

Chief asks the Commission to appoint lateral transfer applicant, Keegan Guffey. Keegan has met all necessary requirements. Bruce made a motion to appoint lateral transfer

applicant, Keegan Guffey. Dea seconded the motion. Motion to appoint Keegan Guffey is carried by voice vote.

Deputy Chief Deegan asks the Commission to consider setting pay rates for 2024 for all Special Police Officers.

Chief asks the Commission to certify the final list for the current hiring process. Bruce made a motion to certify the final list. Dea seconded the motion. Motion to certify the final hiring list is carried by voice vote.

Chief read a resignation letter from Officer Joseph Journey, effective 10-15-2023. Dea made a motion to accept the resignation letter. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion to accept the resignation letter is carried by voice vote.

### Business from Attorney Mark Ervin:

n/a

### Other business:

Deputy Chief Deegan gave an update on the internship program: Ball State University provided 6 candidates. 5 of the 6 passed the physical agility test. There are 2 females and 2 minorities. They have all been through their preliminary background investigation with Sgt. Winningham. They will all proceed to the psychological portion of the process.

Deputy Chief Deegan asks the Commission to open a new hiring process with the application acceptance beginning on October 6, 2023 and a tentative closing date of December 29, 2023. Dea made a motion to open a new hiring process starting October 6, 2023 and ending December 29, 2023. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion to open a new hiring process is carried by voice vote.

### Adjournment:

Dea made a motion to adjourn, Bruce seconded the motion. Motion to adjourn is carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.