



Muncie Police Merit Commission

Call to order:

A meeting of the Muncie Police Merit Commission was held on Thursday, November 2, 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, Chuck Zimmers, Dea Bell, Carisa Aguilar, Christopher Deegan and Mark Ervin

Members not in attendance:

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Approval of minutes:

Dea made a motion to accept the October 19, 2023 meeting minutes with any necessary corrections. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion to approve the meeting minutes with any necessary corrections is carried by voice vote.

Old business:

Deputy Chief Deegan stated that the intern pay rate was discussed at the last meeting. He asked if it would be something the Commission was in favor on. Dea made a motion that the intern pay rate be increased from \$17.67 to \$19.25, effective January 1, 2024. Chuck Zimmers seconded the motion. Motion is carried by voice vote.

Business from Police Chief/ Deputy Chief:

Deputy Chief Deegan presented a resignation letter from Officer Corey Posey, effective October 30, 2023. Dea made a motion to accept the resignation letter. Bruce seconded the motion. Motion is carried by voice vote.

Deputy Chief Deegan states there was a disciplinary matter with an Officer that was discussed and all documentation was provided to the Commissioners required by the Merit Commission rules.

Deputy Chief Deegan asks the Commission to conditionally appoint intern candidate, Cade Bray, as a special police officer. Dea made a motion to conditionally appoint Cade Bray, as an intern and special police officer. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion is carried.

Deputy Chief Deegan asks the Commission to conditionally appoint intern candidate, Andrewnae Lacey, as a special police officer. Bruce made a motion to conditionally appoint Andrewnae Lacey, as an intern and special police officer. Dea seconded the motion. Motion is carried.

Deputy Chief Deegan asks the Commission to conditionally appoint intern candidate, Joseph Khonwai, as a special police officer. Dea made a motion to conditionally appoint Joseph Khonwai, as an intern and special police officer. Carisa seconded the motion. Motion is carried.

Deputy Chief Deegan asks the Commission to conditionally appoint intern candidate, Holden Thomas, as a special police officer. Chuck made a motion to conditionally appoint Holden Thomas, as an intern and special police officer. Dea seconded the motion. Motion is carried.

Deputy Chief Deegan asks the Commission to conditionally appoint intern candidate, Jerzie Eagle, as a special police officer. Bruce made a motion to conditionally appoint Jerize Eagle, as an intern and special police officer. Carisa seconded the motion. Motion is carried.

Business from Attorney Mark Ervin:

Mark recommends that the Commission considers acting on a motion to dismiss disciplinary matter, 23-03. This matter is now moot due to the resignation of the officer involved. Chuck made a motion to dismiss disciplinary 23-03 as it is now moot. Carisa seconded the motion. Motion is carried.

Mark gave a brief update on pending matters 23-01 and 23-02: Judge Feick has accepted appointment and they are waiting on the setting of the hearing dates for litigation. Once that it is addressed they will be able to schedule the hearing on both matters.

Other business:

n/a

Adjournment:

Chuck made a motion to adjourn, Carisa seconded the motion. Motion to adjourn is carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.