

## **Merit Commission Meeting Minutes**

September 29, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 0815 hours. Peterson pointed out the Open Meetings Act, which was posted on the west wall of the meeting room.

Members present: Deputy Jason Peterson, Mike Thew, and Troy Hawk. Also present were Chief Deputy Ben Houchin, Captain Mike Scriven, and Sergeant Drew Bolzer.

Motioned by Hawk to approve the minutes from August 11, 2022. Seconded by Thew. Motion carried, 3-0.

Sergeant Bolzer presented the general eligibility list. As per previous discussions, the lateral eligibility list approved at the August meeting was vacated. There were 34 applications, of which 14 showed up for testing. Of those, 10 candidates passed the written and physical portions of testing. The list of these 10 applicants was presented for certification. Moved by Hawk to approve. Seconded by Thew. Motion carried, 3-0.

Sheriff Wagner presented staffing updates. Deputy Michael Hansen was promoted to sergeant, to replace Michael Scriven, who was promoted to captain. Two laterals have been hired and will begin employment on October 10, 2022.

The next meeting has been tentatively scheduled for January 24, 2022.

Moved by Thew to adjourn. Seconded by Hawk. Meeting adjourned at 0830 hours.