

WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE MERIT COMMISSION MINUTES
November 8, 2010

The West Lafayette Police Merit Commission met in regular session in the Lower Level Conference Room of City Hall on November 8, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Police Merit Commission President Leverenz called the meeting to order and presided.

PRESENT: Commissioners Corrigan, Kirkpatrick, Leverenz, Troyer.

ALSO PRESENT: Commission Attorney Brooks, Police Chief Dombkowski

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Troyer moved to approve the minutes of August 9, 2010, Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kirkpatrick. Commission President Leverenz announced that the minutes would stand approved as distributed.

Commissioner Corrigan moved to approve the minutes of September 13, 2010, meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Troyer. Commission President Leverenz announced that the minutes would stand approved as distributed.

NEW BUSINESS

October 9, 2010, Testing for New Candidate Pool

Police Chief Dombkowski announced that 60 applicants took the physical agility test on October 9, and 17 failed. The remaining 43 took the written exam, with 37 passing. He reported that Human Resources Director Foster has been notified.

Applications for the 37 who passed the physical agility and written exams will be evaluated by Commissioners Corrigan and Troyer, assisted by Sergeant Watson. The goal is to narrow the number and rank the top 10 or 12, so that background checks and lie detector testing can be completed.

2011 Meeting Schedule

Commission President Leverenz distributed copies of the draft of the 2011 meeting schedule. Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved to approve the 2011 meeting schedule, with the correction to 2011 in the second paragraph. Commissioner Troyer seconded the motion. The motion to approve the 2011 Police Merit Commission schedule was approved unanimously.

Chief's Report

Police Chief Dombkowski distributed copies of his September and October 2010 reports to the Council.

Commissioner Corrigan asked about Officer Biddle's training. Police Chief Dombkowski responded that Officer Biddle is in the field training program, and is on track to be on his own by the first of the year. At that point, Detective Troy Green will return to the Detective Division.

Commission Attorney Brooks questioned whether fines for speeding go to the City Clerk and what portion the City gets. Chief Dombkowski answered that they go to City Court, with \$4.00 to the Law Enforcement Continuing Education program. Mr. Brooks asked if the City could pass an ordinance to increase the fines. Chief Dombkowski responded that most of the City Court revenue comes from parking fines. Mr. Brooks suggested that consideration should be given to increasing fines for speeding in school zones.

NEXT MEETING

December 13, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Corrigan. Commission President Leverenz adjourned the meeting, the time being 7:23 p.m.

Larry Leverenz
President

Bob Troyer
Secretary