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Sedgwick County Sheriff's Civil Service Board
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SEDGWICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2023

Members: Julia Craft, Chair
Sheryl Wohlford, Vice Chair
Jessica Beck
Alma Ann Jones
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Also Present: Milo Unruh, Board Attorney
Sheriff Jeff Easter
Laura Oblinger, Sheriff's Attorney
Captain Keith Allen
Lieutenant Tim Myers
Sergeant George Bloesing, Grievant
Dorsha Kirksey, Civil Service Officer
Lynda Baker, County Manager's Office

I. Call Meeting to Order.

The July 19, 2023 meeting of the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Civil Service Board was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Julia Craft, Chair.

II. Approve minutes of July 12, 2023.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Sheryl Wohlford, seconded by Alma Ann Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Certify Commissioned Deputy Applicant List.

A motion to accept the list was made by Alma Ann Jones, seconded by Sheryl Wohlford. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Certify Detention Deputy Applicant List.

A motion to accept the list was made by Alma Ann Jones, seconded by Jessica Beck. Motion carried unanimously.

V. Certify Detention Deputy Re-hire Applicant List.

A motion to accept the list was made by Jessica Beck, seconded by Sheryl Wohlford. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Certify Civilian/Clerical Applicant List.

A motion to accept the list was made by Jessica Beck, seconded by Alma Ann Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Approve Changes to CSB Policy 5.01, Retirement

A motion to approve the policy changes as amended was made by Sheryl Wohlford, seconded by Alma Ann Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Grievance Hearing for Sergeant George J. Bloesing

Sergeant George J. Bloesing, the Grievant, represented himself, gave an opening statement, testified on his own behalf and submitted into evidence Exhibit 1, an August 29, 2022 e-mail exchange between Sergeant Bloesing and Lieutenant Jason Gill; Exhibit 2, Sergeant Bloesing's May 4, 2023 suspension letter; Exhibit 3, General Order 26.3-Administrative Investigations dated July 7, 2020; Exhibit 4, General Order 26.3-Administrative Investigations dated April 25, 2023. He had no other witnesses. Laura Oblinger, representing the Sheriff's Office, gave an opening statement and called Captain Keith Allen, Lieutenant Tim Myers, and Sheriff Jeff Easter as witnesses. The Board went into Executive Session at 10:51 a.m. and returned at 11:08 a.m.

The Board unanimously found that the Sheriff's action in suspending Sergeant Bloesing for one (1) shift was fair and reasonable.

IX. Other Business

X. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Next scheduled meeting:

October 25, 2023

9:00 A.M.

Ark Valley Conference Room

615 N. Main

Wichita, KS 67203