

DEKALB COUNTY SHERIFF'S MERIT COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

November 28, 2006

The DeKalb County Merit Commission meeting convened at 5:00 p.m. in the conference room of the DeKalb County Public Safety Building. Prior to beginning the official business meeting, a meal was served.

Chairman Lane called the business meeting to order at 5:30. Those present were Commissioners Gene Lane, Bennetta Stearnes and newly appointed Commissioner Todd Walker. Also present: Sheriff Roger Scott, Lt. Al Newby, and Lt. Kevin Hickey.

Commissioner Todd Walker was introduced to everyone present. Chairman Lane then called for an election of officers. Officers were elected following proper procedures of nominations, seconds and with each candidate receiving a unanimous voice vote:

Gene Lane elected Chairperson

Todd Walker elected Vice Chairperson

Bennetta Stearnes-elected Secretary

Discussion of Communications Testing Procedures: Each phase of the testing process was discussed including the PEI written test which is to be given at 7:00 p.m. today. Approximately 28 applicants are expected to take this exam. Those passing the written with a score of 70 or greater will be scheduled for the next testing phase which is the Criticall test. Criticall test dates will be scheduled based on the availability of the computer lab we use in the DeKalb Municipal Annex as well as the availability of the Commissioners. Lt. Newby will check tomorrow on the available dates for use of the computer lab, and Chairman Lane will follow up with Commissioners to get dates for Criticall and oral interviews scheduled.

Discussion of Corrections Testing: The Power Test is scheduled for Saturday, December 9th at 8:00 am at NIU Recreation Center, followed by the ICPA Written Test at the same site. Scoring of the exam by Commissioners will follow. To date 100 applications have been received. It is expected that the oral interviews for Corrections will take place sometime during the week of December 18th.

The meeting then moved to the DeKalb County Administrative Building for the Communications PEI Written Test which began at 7:00 p.m. A total of only 12 applicants appeared for the test, and one left after hearing the residency requirement, leaving only 11 applicants who took the exam.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Secretary: _____