

**DeKalb County Sheriff's Merit Commission  
Minutes  
October 14, 2008**

The Merit Commission met in the DeKalb County Public Safety Building. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Gene Lane at 6:05 p.m.

Present at the meeting were: Commissioners Gene Lane, Bennetta Stearnes and Todd Walker. Also present was Sheriff Roger Scott.

Sheriff Scott presented for the Board's consideration a document describing the Law Enforcement Applicant Profile (LEAP) examination. The features, advantages and benefits of this examination were discussed. In considering the merits of the LEAP examination for our upcoming Corrections/Patrol written examination it was the consensus that this examination might prove to be more comprehensive in determining the overall fitness of applicants for this line of work. Todd Walker made a motion that we use the LEAP written examination for applicants testing in our upcoming Corrections/Patrol testing cycle. Bennetta Stearnes seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote. Sheriff Scott will order a sufficient number of examinations for the applicants and for review by the commissioners a few days prior to the examination date.

A schedule for testing was developed as follows:

**CORRECTIONS/PATROL Power Test and Written Exam November 15, 2008 begins 8:00 a.m. at NIU Recreation Center for Power Test. Written Exam follows at DeKalb County Health Department**

**CORRECTIONS/PATROL Oral Examinations Week of December 1<sup>st</sup> Tues, Wed, Thurs, beginning at 4:00 p.m. (tentative)**

**CORRECTIONS SGT Written Exam November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

**CORRECTIONS SGT Oral Exam December 6<sup>th</sup>**

**DETECTIVE SGT Written Exam December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

**DETECTIVE SGT. Oral Panel (Selected Professionals) December 13<sup>th</sup>. All day**

It was noted that the promotional examinations for Detective Sergeants may have to be adjusted based on timing and availability of the professionals for the panel. Postponement of these examinations into 2009 is unlikely but may be necessary.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

*Bennetta Stearnes, Secretary*