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I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m. by Commissioner President Wendy Trietsch.

II. Roll Call

PRESENT: Commissioners Mike Sherman, Wendy Trietsch, Chris Zaborowsky, Tom Brogan, and Attorney Linda Meier.

Also in attendance is Chief of Police James Ison and Recording Secretary Melissa Weathers.

ABSENT: Commissioner Martha McQueen.

III. Minutes

Commissioner Brogan moved to approve the minutes from August 10, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Zaborowsky. Vote: Ayes. MOTION CARRIES.

IV. Old Business

None.

V. New Business

The 2024 meeting dates for the Police Merit Commission were presented.

Commissioner Sherman made a motion to approve the 2024 meeting dates for the Police Merit Commission. Commissioner Zaborowsky seconds the motion. Vote: Ayes. **MOTION CARRIES.**

Need to set hearing dates for Elijah Allen and Sam Bowen.

Sam Bowen's attorney, Attorney Jay Meisenhelder, stated they are available for the October 23rd, 25th or 26th for hearing.

Discussion had regarding hearing dates for Sam Bowen.

Decision made to set hearing date for Sam Bowen on October 23, 2023.

Elijah Allen's attorney, Attorney Elizabeth Bemis, stated they are available for October 25th, 26th or 30th.

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Discussion had regarding hearing dates for Elijah Allen. Commissioner Trietsch contacted Commissioner McQueen, via telephone, to inquire about her availability for hearing dates for Elijah Allen.

Decision made to set hearing date for Elijah Allen on October 30, 2023.

VI. Business from the Floor

None.

VII. Announcements/Reports

A. Attorney –

Attorney Meier expressed how she believed this year's awards banquet was the best one so far.

Discussion had about banquet.

B. Chief-

Chief Ison requests applicant #29 be removed from the eligibility list.

Commissioner Sherman makes a motion to remove applicant #29 from the eligibility list. Seconded by Commissioner Brogan. Vote: Ayes. **MOTION CARRIES.**

Chief Ison reminded Commissioners on Monday, September 25, 2023 at 4:00 p.m., the Mayor would be swearing in the three new hires in the Council Chambers.

Commissioner Trietsch asked for an update on pre-applications.

Chief Ison stated there are currently 114 pre-applicants. Several of which would be lateral transfers. Date for physical agility is September 30th at 8:00 a.m.

C. Committee -

None.

VIII. Budget/Claims

A claim in the amount of \$333.00 for Attorney Meier's services for the month of July.

Claims for Commissioner Zaborowsky, Commissioner Sherman, Commission Brogan, and Commissioner Trietsch for per diem for this month's Regular Meeting and Executive Meeting in the amount of \$150.00.

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Commissioner Sherman moved to approve the claims, seconded by Commissioner Zaborowsky. Vote: Ayes. MOTION CARRIES.

IX. Comments from Commission Members

Commissioner Trietsch stated prior to the Regular Meeting, an Executive Session was held to receive information regarding prospective employees. No other business was discussed. The meeting was pursuant to the posted notice.

Commissioner Brogan also wanted to comment about the awards banquet.

Discussion had about awards banquet.

Commissioner Trietsch had questions regarding current city policy for Zoom meetings.

Chief Ison stated he believes Commissioners can participate via Zoom for Regular meetings but not for Executive Sessions.

Discussion had about Zoom meetings.

Attorney Meier requested Recording Secretary Weathers to see if she could find an exact ruling on Zoom meetings.

X. Comments from the Floor

None.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

Commissioner Zaborowsky moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Sherman. Vote: Ayes. **MOTION CARRIES**.

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