

**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY SHERIFF'S MERIT COMMISSION**  
**Friday, July 10, 2020 - Sheriff's Conference Room**  
**204 E. Main Street, Urbana**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Michael Kirby, Oliver J. Clark, Cindy Cunningham  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sheriff Heuerman

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Kirby called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Declaring a quorum present, the Chair proceeded with the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Cunningham made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 29, 2020 meeting; seconded by Commissioner Clark. Motion passed.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Sheriff Heuerman checked the lobby of the Sheriff's Office - there was no public participation.

**ACTION ITEMS/DISCUSSION**

The meeting started with Sheriff Heuerman requesting the current rules be amended. He explained the history of CCSO going to the National Testing Network (NTN) in 2018 for testing of their CO and LE applicants. Former Sheriff Walsh took out the experienced officer verbiage and he would like to add it back. Sheriff Heuerman sees no reason why we cannot add the language back into the rules so CCSO will be able to interview and hire as we have openings. As of this meeting, NTN is booked out to October so experienced applicants are unable to be considered at this time. Commissioner Cunningham inquired about "your discretion" in the rules. Sheriff Heuerman assured her we do a psychological and physical on every applicant. She was just concerned over the Sheriff getting sued. Sheriff did advise the commission he will work on page 10, item 3 and discuss with the State's Attorney.

Commissioner Cunningham moved to accept the changes to the rules as proposed by CCSO and Sheriff Heuerman, seconded by Commissioner Clark. Sheriff asked for a formal vote to be taken: Commissioner Cunningham - yes, Commissioner Clark- yes and Chair Kirby - yes. Motion passed.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Secretary Schleinz advised the next meeting would be in October (COVID permitting). Commissioner Clark advised the commission he would not be traveling this winter and would be available for any meetings.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Cunningham; seconded by Commissioner Clark. The meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Teresa Schleinz*  
Teresa Schleinz/Merit Commission