

COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING

APRIL 12, 2012

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

ARKANSAS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACADEMY

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at the end of the decertification hearings.

Commissioners present:

Lt. Bobby Walraven
Ms. Jami Cook
Mr. Cecil Greene
Mr. Alonza Jiles
Chief Percy Wilburn
Dr. James Golden
Mr. Barney Reeves
Sheriff Butch Morris
Chief Bob Harrison

Absent:

Sheriff Danny Russell

Others in attendance:

Deputy Director Brian Marshall
Asst. Atty. General Meredith Rebsamen
Larry Robinson, Governor's Office
J. P. French, Atty. General's Office
Fred Weatherspoon, ALETA Training Supervisor
Bernie Mosley, ALETA Instructor
Sue Albritton, Commission Secretary
Wade Hodge, Hearing Officer
Mayor Rocky Tidwell, Augusta
Chief David Best, Augusta
Marty Vickers, Faulkner County
Sheriff Karl Byrd, Faulkner County

ITEM I: Item one was for a final vote of decertification for Clay Lofton. This matter was addressed in the decertification hearings session with a unanimous vote for decertification.

ITEM II: Item two was from the City of Augusta in regard to Calvin Parker. A motion was made by Commissioner Wilburn and a second by Commissioner Morris to deny the request from Chief Best to allow Parker to reenter the Academy for a third time.

ITEM III: Item three was a request from the Hot Springs Police Department in regard to former Officer Chris Colburn. Coburn had shown a consistent pattern of rude and aggressive behavior toward the public and resigned while under an ongoing internal investigation. A motion by Commissioner Butch Morris and seconded by Commissioner Jiles was to go forward with a decertification hearing resulted in a unanimous vote.

ITEM IV: Item Four in regard to former Officer Chris Threadgill was tabled by the Attorney General's Representative due to the lack of necessary information.

ITEM V: Item five was from the Bearden Police Department in regard to former officer George David Voss. A motion was made by Commissioner Reeves and seconded by Commissioner Jiles to go forward with a decertification hearing. Motion was passed unanimously.

ITEM VI: Item six from the Greenbrier Police Department in regard to former Officer Eric Kraemer received a motion from Commissioner Reeves to go forward with a decertification hearing. Commissioner Morris seconded and the vote was unanimous.

ITEM VII: Item seven was from the Madison Police Department in regard to former Officer Alvin Miller's misconduct. Commissioner Morris made a motion to go forward with a decertification hearing. Commissioner Wilburn seconded and the vote was unanimous.

ITEM VIII: Item eight from the Garland County Sheriff's Office in regard to former Officer Duane Horner was tabled at the request of the Attorney General's representative due to the lack of necessary information.

ITEM IX: Item nine was the proposed new regulation pertaining to the Veterans Law Enforcement Program. After discussion and recommendations the Commission voted to make changes to the wording and qualifications. The Commission voted to accept the proposed regulation with the new wording.

ITEM X: Item ten was the proposed new regulation pertaining to the Certification of Canines and Certification of Law Enforcement Certifying Officials. The Commission voted to accept and approve the regulation.

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ITEM XI: Item ten was from Monty Vickers requesting to be reinstated as a certified law enforcement officer. Mr. Vickers has been out of law enforcement full time status for more than ten years. The Commission took no action since Mr. Vickers would be required to attend a full Basic Training Course in order to become a certified officer.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 P. M.