

MINUTES OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE COMMISSION MEETING  
October 14, 2021

The Arkansas State Police Commission met on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at the Arkansas State Police Headquarters, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Commission Chairman Basore called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Neff Basore, Chairman  
Commissioner Steve Edwards - Secretary  
Commissioner Murray Benton, Sr.  
Commissioner Ken Reeves

MEMBERS ON CONFERENCE CALL:

Commissioner John Allison – Vice-Chairman  
Commissioner Jim Hinkle

MEMBER ABSENT:

Commissioner Jeffery Teague

STATE POLICE PERSONNEL PRESENT:

Colonel Bill Bryant	Lt. Colonel Shawn Garner
Major Charles Hubbard	Major Forrest Marks
Major Jeff Drew	Major David Lafferty
Major Lindsey Williams	Major Jason Aaron
Sherry Woods	Dan Mack
Captain Mike Moyer	Jenna Castleberry
Sergeant Ted Jones	Corporal Justin Nowlin
Andrea Carter	Captain John Carter
Captain Scott Woodward	Captain David Williams
Lieutenant Philip Hydron	Lieutenant Jimmie O. Thomas
Sergeant Marty Pollock	Captain Paulette Ward
Lieutenant Bobby Brown	Captain Mike Hagar
Sergeant Jeff Plouch	Sergeant Jay McAllister
Corporal Jimmy Mitchell	Sergeant Robert Middleton
Sergeant Coty Williams	Lieutenant Jeff Sheeler
Sergeant Nick Brown	Trooper Tyler Langley
Captain Todd Shaw	Donna Humphries
Deleah Racancoj	Mario Racancoj
Trooper Ronnie Boyd	Corporal George Enke
Corporal Ryan Leuer	TFC Randall Schwab
Sergeant Brenda Gibbons	Corporal Dakotah Bailey
Donna Humphries	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ret. Sergeant Van Nowlin	Tracy Nowlin
Tina Thomas	Ret. Corporal Doug McAllister
Sara Farris, Assistant Attorney General	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Commission Chairman Basore led the pledge of allegiance.

NOTIFICATION OF MEDIA:

The media was notified of this meeting on October 07, 2021.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Reeves made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 02, 2021 regular monthly commission meeting. Commissioner Benton seconded, and the motion passed.

WEAPON RESOLUTIONS:

Major David Lafferty presented the following resolutions for consideration by the ASP Commission.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS: Corporal Dennis Simons efficiently and effectively served the Arkansas State Police for a period of twenty-one years, nine months, and seventeen days;

WHEREAS: Corporal Dennis Simons retired from this department August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS: His departure creates a vacancy that will be most difficult to fill, which is recognized by each and every member of the Arkansas State Police Commission;

WHEREAS: Corporal Dennis Simons has made formal request that his service weapon be retired with him and remain in his possession;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: The Arkansas State Police Commission, in its regular meeting at Arkansas State Police Headquarters in Little Rock, Arkansas on Thursday, October 14, 2021, in accordance with Act 547 of 2003, awards him, his Glock Model 17, Serial Number BMSA227, as a token of their esteem and appreciation for service devoted to the Arkansas State Police.

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the above weapon resolution presented to the Commission. Commissioner Reeves seconded, and the motion passed.

#### R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS: Corporal Dennis Simons efficiently and effectively served the Arkansas State Police for a period of twenty-one years, nine months, and seventeen days;

WHEREAS: Corporal Dennis Simons retired from this department August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS: His departure creates a vacancy that will be most difficult to fill, which is recognized by each and every member of the Arkansas State Police Commission;

WHEREAS: Corporal Dennis Simons has made formal request that his shotgun be retired with him and remain in his possession;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: The Arkansas State Police Commission, in its regular meeting at Arkansas State Police Headquarters in Little Rock, Arkansas on Thursday, October 14, 2021 in accordance with Act 547 of 2003, determines the fair market value of the Remington shotgun, serial number D591220M, that Corporal Dennis Simons has carried be affixed at \$100.00, and that Corporal Dennis Simons be permitted to purchase the shotgun for his personal use.

Commissioner Benton made a motion to approve the above weapon resolution presented to the Commission. Commissioner Reeves seconded, and the motion passed.

Major Forrest Marks presented the following resolutions for consideration by the ASP Commission.

#### R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS: Sergeant Bobby Clemence efficiently and effectively served the Arkansas State Police for a period of twenty-one years, nine months, and seventeen days;

WHEREAS: Sergeant Bobby Clemence retired from this department August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS: His departure creates a vacancy that will be most difficult to fill, which is recognized by each and every member of the Arkansas State Police Commission;

WHEREAS: Sergeant Bobby Clemence has made formal request that his service weapon be retired with him and remain in his possession;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: The Arkansas State Police Commission, in its regular meeting at Arkansas State Police Headquarters in Little Rock, Arkansas on Thursday, October 14, 2021, in accordance with Act 547 of 2003, awards him, his Glock Model 17, Serial Number BMSA235, as a token of their esteem and appreciation for service devoted to the Arkansas State Police.

Commissioner Reeves made a motion to approve the above weapon resolution presented to the Commission. Commissioner Edwards seconded, and the motion passed.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS: Sergeant Bobby Clemence efficiently and effectively served the Arkansas State Police for a period of twenty-one years, nine months, and seventeen days;

WHEREAS: Sergeant Bobby Clemence retired from this department August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS: His departure creates a vacancy that will be most difficult to fill, which is recognized by each and every member of the Arkansas State Police Commission;

WHEREAS: Sergeant Bobby Clemence has made formal request that his shotgun be retired with him and remain in his possession;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: The Arkansas State Police Commission, in its regular meeting at Arkansas State Police Headquarters in Little Rock, Arkansas on Thursday, October 14, 2021 in accordance with Act 547 of 2003, determines the fair market value of the Remington shotgun, serial number D588752M, that Sergeant Bobby Clemence has carried be affixed at \$100.00, and that Sergeant Bobby Clemence be permitted to purchase the shotgun for his personal use.

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the above weapon resolution presented to the Commission. Commissioner Benton seconded, and the motion passed.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS: Corporal Dwight Lee efficiently and effectively served the Arkansas State Police for a period of thirty years, six months, and six days.

WHEREAS: Corporal Dwight Lee retired from this department August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS: His departure creates a vacancy that will be most difficult to fill, which is recognized by each and every member of the Arkansas State Police Commission;

WHEREAS: Corporal Dwight Lee has made formal request that his service weapon be retired with him and remain in his possession;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: The Arkansas State Police Commission, in its regular meeting at Arkansas State Police Headquarters in Little Rock, Arkansas on Thursday, October 14, 2021, in accordance with Act 547 of 2003, awards him, his Glock Model 17, Serial Number BMSA422, as a token of their esteem and appreciation for service devoted to the Arkansas State Police.

Commissioner Reeves made a motion to approve the above weapon resolution presented to the Commission. Commissioner Benton seconded, and the motion passed.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS: Corporal Dwight Lee efficiently and effectively served the Arkansas State Police for a period of thirty years, six months, and six days;

WHEREAS: Corporal Dwight Lee retired from this department August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS: His departure creates a vacancy that will be most difficult to fill, which is recognized by each and every member of the Arkansas State Police Commission;

WHEREAS: Corporal Dwight Lee has made formal request that his shotgun be retired with him and remain in his possession;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: The Arkansas State Police Commission, in its regular meeting at Arkansas State Police Headquarters in Little Rock, Arkansas on Thursday, October 14, 2021 in accordance with Act 547 of 2003, determines the fair market value of the Remington shotgun, serial number D588340M, that Corporal Dwight Lee has carried be affixed at \$100.00, and that Corporal Dwight Lee be permitted to purchase the shotgun for his personal use.

Commissioner Benton made a motion to approve the above weapon resolution presented to the Commission. Commissioner Edwards seconded, and the motion passed.

#### R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS: Corporal Karen Clark efficiently and effectively served the Arkansas State Police for a period of twenty-nine years;

WHEREAS: Corporal Karen Clark retired from this department August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS: Her departure creates a vacancy that will be most difficult to fill, which is recognized by each and every member of the Arkansas State Police Commission;

WHEREAS: Corporal Karen Clark has made formal request that her service weapon be retired with her and remain in her possession;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: The Arkansas State Police Commission, in its regular meeting at Arkansas State Police Headquarters in Little Rock, Arkansas on Thursday, October 14, 2021, in accordance with Act 547 of 2003, awards her, her Glock Model 17, Serial Number BMSA229, as a token of their esteem and appreciation for service devoted to the Arkansas State Police.

Commissioner Edwards made a motion to approve the above weapon resolution presented to the Commission. Commissioners Benton/Reeves seconded, and the motion passed.

#### R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS: Corporal Karen Clark efficiently and effectively served the Arkansas State Police for a period of twenty-nine years;

WHEREAS: Corporal Karen Clark retired from this department August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS: Her departure creates a vacancy that will be most difficult to fill, which is recognized by each and every member of the Arkansas State Police Commission;

WHEREAS: Corporal Karen Clark has made formal request that her shotgun be retired with her and remain in her possession;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: The Arkansas State Police Commission, in its regular meeting at Arkansas State Police Headquarters in Little Rock, Arkansas on Thursday, October 14, 2021 in accordance with Act 547 of 2003, determines the fair market value of the Remington shotgun, serial number D591265M, that Corporal Karen Clark has carried be affixed at \$100.00, and that Corporal Karen Clark be permitted to purchase the shotgun for her personal use.

Commissioner Benton made a motion to approve the above weapon resolution presented to the Commission. Commissioner Edwards seconded, and the motion passed.

PROMOTION CERTIFICATES:

Colonel Bill Bryant presented a promotion certificate to Lieutenant Jimmie O. Thomas promoting him to Lieutenant in the Criminal Investigation Division, Company A.

Colonel Bill Bryant presented a promotion certificate to Sergeant Jay McAllister promoting him to Sergeant in the Highway Patrol Division, Troop A, Pulaski County.

OFFICIAL COMMENDATIONS:

Sergeant Marty Pollock presented the overview for the nominations of Sergeant Brenda Stephenson, TFC Randall Schwab, Corporal Ryan Leuer, and Corporal George Enke for Official Commendations.

Sergeant Pollock stated on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 about 9:17 a.m. TFC Randall Schwab and Trooper Ryan Leuer responded to a reported male sitting on a bridge guardrail of I-49 south of West Fork in Washington County. They both arrived within minutes, and they saw a male person walking from a parked pick-up truck over to the right-hand shoulder bridge guardrail, he mounted it and he put one leg over the edge. The distance to the bottom of the gorge from the bridge is over 100 feet. So, TFC Schwab and Trooper Leuer began talking with the 57-year-old male in an attempt to coax him down off the guardrail and to stop a potential suicide. Now this guy, he was very emotionally distraught over family problems and really couldn't be reasoned with and we also found out he was diagnosed with bi-polar disorder and that he had recently had a stroke and really wasn't thinking and reasoning too clearly. After about 40 minutes of talking with him the troopers were relieved by the Fayetteville Police Department Crisis Negotiation Team. They were called in for mutual aid by the Troop Commander. We also notified Corporal George Enke who is a trained negotiator and he responded to the scene to help out. Fayetteville Police Department Crisis Negotiation Team worked for about 8 hours trying to coax the guy off the guardrail and he couldn't be reasoned with, he felt we were trying to poison him whenever he was offered food and drink. He would get up on this narrow concrete guardrail on his hands and knees and he would also put himself on the other side of the guardrail and slip his feet in between those little cut outs and that way he kind of had a little bit of safety, he would hold on, but he also could have just fell off anytime should he choose to. Corporal Enke worked with Fayetteville's team providing intelligence and gathering intelligence on the guy and doing anything that he could in support. We also waited for an opportunity to either go snatch the guy off there or wait for Fayetteville or whoever to talk the guy down. This went on all day; this was about 8 hours' worth. We had also notified the Arkansas State Police's Crisis Negotiation Team and Sergeant Brenda Gibbons was dispatched to assist. Sergeant Gibbons and Corporal Enke took over and negotiated with this guy for about 45 more minutes until he finally gave up and surrendered. He voluntarily committed himself and we took him to the hospital to be checked out. Based on the events that day, I talked to my troop commander, and I asked that these actions by these troopers be recognized and filed the paperwork.

Colonel Bryant presented the Official Commendations to Sergeant Brenda Gibbons, TFC Randall Schwab, Corporal Ryan Leuer, and Corporal George Enke.

Sergeant Ted Jones presented the overview for the nomination of Trooper Ronnie Boyd for an Official Commendation.

Sergeant Ted Jones stated on the night of January 31, 2021, the Boone County Sheriff's Office requested Arkansas State Police (ASP) Company E assistance with a homicide investigation after discovering the victim bludgeoned to death with a baseball bat. Company E Special Agents responded to the scene and through the course of the investigation, identified a suspect in the homicide. Special Agents began pinging the suspect's phone and it was thought the suspect was fleeing to family members in Oklahoma. A Company E Special Agent began getting location pings for the suspect's phone every fifteen minutes and he contacted Troop L's dispatch and spoke with Telecommunication Operator Joe Jacques. The special agent provided Troop L the ping information as well as the location information of where the suspect's family was located. Telecommunications Operator Jacques determined that Troop L Trooper Ronnie Boyd was the closest unit to the suspect's travel path and dispatched Trooper Boyd to the Huntsville, Arkansas area. Pings continued to be received and provided to Telecommunication Operator Jacques and then we learned that the suspect was not traveling to Oklahoma but turned around and was heading east from

Springdale back towards Boone County. As we continued to conduct interviews and were busy, Troop L would actually contact us asking if we had gotten any additional information. They were really plugged in. Trooper Boyd stayed in the Huntsville area for over an hour in an attempt to locate the suspect coming back through. Trooper Boyd eventually saw the suspect and took him into custody, arranged for his transport and then remained with the vehicle securing it until the Boone County investigators could come over and take possession of the vehicle. At that time one of our agents was interviewing the suspect and learned he had thrown his phone out prior to Trooper Boyd's traffic stop. Trooper Boyd returned to the area of the stop while an agent called the cell phone, but they couldn't locate it. The following day, on his own initiative, Trooper Boyd returned to the traffic stop scene in daylight hours, walking the road ditch until he located the suspect's phone which was turned over to investigators. So, in summary Trooper Boyd remained in the Huntsville area for over an hour actively looking for the suspect, he identified the suspects vehicle and arrested him. He then secured the vehicle for investigators and then returned that night to look for the phone, in addition, returned the following day and located the suspect's phone. Both the vehicle and phone turned out to be key evidence items in the homicide. I think Trooper Boyd demonstrated dedication, teamwork within the ASP and teamwork with other law enforcement agencies outside of Troop L to take a dangerous suspect into custody and seize critical evidence of a homicide.

Colonel Bryant presented an Official Commendation to Trooper Ronnie Boyd.

Sergeant Ted Jones presented the overview for the nomination of Special Agent Justin Nowlin for an Official Commendation.

Sergeant Ted Jones stated December 9, 2020 the Baxter County Sheriff's Office received a report of a missing person, Cody Stradford, he had been missing eleven days before he was reported to the sheriff's office. Six days after that the Baxter County Sheriff's Office requested Special Agent Justin Nowlin's assistance, so we are seventeen days behind the curve now. Special Agent Nowlin interviewed a witness about the disappearance of Stradford, the witness said she had heard a rumor that Stradford had been murdered by two Baxter County subjects at an unknown location in Mountain Home, but also heard that he might be alive in Northwest Arkansas. Special Agent Nowlin followed up on her information and contacted an agent in Company D and it was confirmed that Stradford wasn't with associates in Northwest Arkansas. On the same night, Special Agent Nowlin was contacted by the FBI. An FBI informant had reported that Stradford was murdered at a house in Mountain Home and provided an address. So, the following day, Special Agent Nowlin began preparing a search warrant for the suspected address. While preparing the search warrant, the Baxter County Sheriff's Office received a call of a burned vehicle with a body inside. Baxter County Sheriff's Office responded to the burned vehicle and Special Agent Nowlin executed the search warrant on the residence. About that time the Baxter County Sheriff's Office reported to Special Agent Nowlin that the tag on the burned car returned to the missing person, Stradford. During the search warrant Special Agent Nowlin found blood in the house and conducted multiple interviews. The interviews identified two male suspects and two female accomplices. On that same night Special Agent Nowlin learned one of the male suspects was on the run, possibly at a motel in Baxter County. Special Agent Nowlin traveled to the motel with the Mountain Home Police Department and Baxter County Sheriff's Office. When officers arrived, the suspect spotted the officers and fled into a wooded area. Special Agent Nowlin contact the Arkansas Department of Corrections canine team, and the suspect was arrested. Special Agent Nowlin did not know where the second suspect was but through interviews, learned he had fled to Texas with one of the female accomplices. Special Agent Nowlin was able to identify the location as Brownsville, Texas. Special Agent Nowlin contacted the Texas authorities and requested they locate the two suspects. Out all night, Special Agent Nowlin obtained an arrest warrant on the morning of the 17<sup>th</sup> and sent it to the Texas authorities who took both suspects into custody and located the suspected murder weapon. After a continuous, approximately 48-hour investigation, three of the four suspects were in custody. The remaining female accomplice was arrested in Northwest Arkansas on December 19. Throughout this whole period, although there was very little off duty time, Special Agent Nowlin took multiple phone calls with other investigators, setting additional interviews and interviewing more witnesses. On one occasion, Special Agent Nowlin was called while off duty and asked to interview a suspect and came in and did it. The investigation continued from December until March 17, three months later with Special Agent Nowlin conducting multiple interviews. The suspect arrested at the motel confessed to beating the victim and cleaning up the crime scene. Three

interview attempts were made and ultimately Special Agent Nowlin obtained confessions from both female accomplices that the victim was beaten for over an hour at the house, bound, and transported in the trunk of his own vehicle to a remote location, placed in the driver seat of his vehicle, shot, and then burned. In summary, Stradford had been missing for eleven days before Special Agent Nowlin was requested with an all to common missing person report. Within three days of being asked to help, Special Agent Nowlin had identified that the missing person had been murdered, requested and cooperatively worked with six different law enforcement agencies in two states and arrested all four suspects. Over the course of the next three months, Special Agent Nowlin obtained confessions from three of the four suspects. He could have easily dismissed the original missing person report with that first interview. But he didn't, he continued to work his leads ultimately leading to charges of First-Degree Murder. He certainly could have stopped at that point after getting the First-Degree Murder charges, but he continued to uncover every fact, ultimately working until the charges were amended to Capital Murder and the prosecution is currently seeking the death penalty.

Colonel Bryant presented an Official Commendation to Special Agent Justin Nowlin.

Sergeant Jeff Plouch presented the overview for the nomination of Corporal Dakotah Bailey for an Official Commendation.

Sergeant Jeff Plouch stated on December 30, 2020, Corporal Dakotah Bailey was enroute to assist the Saline County Sheriff's Office with a shots fired call. While enroute to the call the first deputy on scene showed up and started taking rounds to his vehicle. As Corporal Bailey showed up, another deputy was directly in front of him so now there are three officers on scene. The deputy in front of Corporal Bailey was newer to the sheriff's department, so Corporal Bailey was able to direct him to a safe location and give him tactical instructions to keep him out of the line of fire. The suspect was shooting from one trailer and right after Corporal Bailey arrived on scene the suspect fled from one trailer to another and ran around the back of the house. Corporal Bailey was able to chase the suspect, met him at the backdoor and gave him commands. As the suspect went to kick in the back door of the second trailer, he turned toward Corporal Bailey and tried to engage Corporal Bailey. Corporal Bailey quickly took the butt of his rifle and his forearm taking the suspect down and they were able take him into custody. Inside the house they located a whole arsenal of weapons that the suspect was trying to get to, to continue firing at the deputies. Corporal Bailey's quick actions kept a standoff from happening and did not allow the suspect to barricade himself in the residence.

Colonel Bryant presented an Official Commendation to Corporal Dakotah Bailey.

CACD Area Manager Andrea Carter presented the overview for the nomination of CACD Investigator Deleah Racancoj for an Official Commendation.

CACD Area Manager Andrea Carter stated in January 2020, the Child Abuse Hotline began receiving reports of human trafficking involving two females, ages 14 and 15. The offenders included numerous adult males and the victim's own mother. Both Division of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and Crimes Against Children Division (CACD) had been unable to locate the two juveniles, having been told they were living in Mexico, and they were not registered at any school in Pulaski County. CACD Investigation Deleah Racancoj was determined to locate the two girls after we received yet another report of trafficking made by the mother's other daughter, who had now been living in another state. She made the report regarding the two girls and that they were continuing to live with the mom and that they were being trafficked as she was once before. Investigator Racancoj made contact with various neighbors and people within the community to finally locate a house where the girls were reportedly living. Investigator Racancoj spent hours before, during, and after work watching the residence where the girls were said to be located, but they had never surfaced and at some point, Investigator Racancoj was finally able to locate mom and the two juvenile victims. The DCFS was contacted and with the assistance of the Little Rock Police Department as well as Arkansas State Police Troopers, Investigator Racancoj was able to make contact with two adult males who were living in the home. Investigator Racancoj speaks fluent Spanish and was able to communicate with the men. One adult male answered the door with his pants pulled halfway down. He was later found to have been having sex with the 15-year-old victim. The mom of the alleged victims then came outside stating again that her children were in Mexico, however the 15-year-old child came out on her own from the residence. Investigator Racancoj was then given permission by one of the adult males to enter the home. She searched the home and located the other missing 14-year-old victim who was hiding in

a bedroom closet. Both children were placed in DCFS custody and transported to the Children's Protection Center in Pulaski County. Both children tested positive for methamphetamine, cocaine, marijuana, and amphetamines given by their offenders during the course of their trafficking. Medical professionals completed sexual abuse exams as well as blood work and treated one of the victims for medical issues directly related to the trafficking. Both girls were then placed in the Human Trafficking Program at Centers for Youth and Families and are now safe. They are now in a safe environment, receiving medical care and therapy due to Investigator Racancoj's diligent efforts. The Little Rock Police Department is currently working with the FBI to build a criminal case against mom and this local trafficking ring.

Colonel Bryant stated the CAC Division has one of the toughest jobs in the state dealing with abused children, they do an outstanding job, and I am glad to see this today, to have CACD present. I just want to tell you that we appreciate the work you do every day, 24-7, just like the troopers you are out there protecting the children.

Colonel Bryant presented an Official Commendation to CACD Investigator Deleah Racancoj.

#### NALOXONE AWARDS:

Sergeant Coty Williams stated on March 26, 2021, Trooper Tyler Langley was on routine patrol on Highway 89 south at Lake Conway. He heard Mayflower Police Department Officer Stubby call for an additional unit from the county and radioed that his prisoner attempted to escape custody and having swallowed a large amount of narcotics. Trooper Langley and Trooper Harmon were nearby, and both went to assist Officer Stubby. Upon arriving at Officer Stubby's location, they noticed a male in the back of Officer Stubby's unit, and he admitted to swallowing a large amount of cocaine. He was sweating profusely; his veins were protruding from his temple and his eyes were rolling in the back of his head. Trooper Langley sternly rubbed the gentleman in an attempt to get his attention and wake him up and it had a little effect on him. Trooper Langley retrieved a Narcan from his patrol car and administered it and brought the gentleman back to life and saved him from a sure drug overdose.

Colonel Bryant presented a Naloxone Lifesaving Award to Trooper Tyler Langley.

Sergeant Jay McAllister stated on February 26, 2021, Corporal Jimmy Mitchell was dispatched to a possible vehicle collision on I-40 at Crystal Hill. Upon his arrival he made contact with several subjects who advised him that a female subject was laying in the grassy shoulder unresponsive and was possibly overdosing on heroin. Corporal Mitchell returned to his police car to retrieve his Narcan and administered one dose with no effect. Knowing that he needed to administer another dose, Corporal Mitchell administered the second dose at that same time the EMS arrived and took over the scene. Prior to Corporal Mitchell leaving, the female had responded to the Narcan, and it is no doubt that his training and his administering the Narcan saved that woman's life.

Colonel Bryant presented a Naloxone Lifesaving Award to Corporal Jimmy Mitchell.

#### Fiscal Section – Jenna Castleberry

Jenna Castleberry presented an oral summary of the written report distributed to the Commission. Ms. Castleberry stated we have completed the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of Fiscal Year 22; we are pretty much on track. We are watching our Concealed Handgun revenue at this time, it is a little low for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, but we will continue to monitor it and make adjustments as needed. Our fuel average for this 1<sup>st</sup> quarter was \$2.72 per gallon which is a little below what we budgeted at \$2.85 a gallon. We will just continue to monitor it.

#### Administrative Services – Major Charles Hubbard

Major Hubbard presented an oral summary of the written report distributed to the Commission. He began by reporting the Human Resources/Personnel transactions for the month. The uniformed noncommissioned transactions include two new hires, and two terminations. The commissioned transactions include one promotion, three terminations, and one transfer. Currently we have six military deployments.



Regarding the ASP Health Plan, September paid claims were \$802,304 which was a decrease of \$392,870 from last month and the fund balance is \$214,261 higher than last month for a total fund balance of \$11,093,022.54. The average discount savings for the month of September was 64%.

A quick update on our Troop School hiring process for 2022, as of today we have about 67 applicants that are moving forward in the process, once all the background reviews are completed then Colonel Bryant will meet for the interviews. Then we will start the Troop School on January 23, 2022. Commission Chairman Basore asked of those, you said we have 67, have they completed their background and other backgrounds are going or these are the 67 that the backgrounds are on. Major Hubbard stated some of them have the backgrounds completed and some of them have not been completed, some are in that process. Commission Chairman Basore stated so our pool right now is 67 assuming everybody passes the background check. Major Hubbard stated yes sir. Commission Chairman Basore stated, and the next step is? Major Hubbard stated the next step will be the interview process with the Colonel.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Colonel Bryant stated I would just like to make a brief comment, it is just great to hear of the great work of the men and women of the Arkansas State Police, not only of the commissioned side, but of the Crimes Against Children Division. I assure you these men and women everyday are out there putting their life on the line serving the citizens of Arkansas. These are just a few examples, but we can give you examples all day long of the great work they do, so as Director it is great to see the great work that these people do. So, I am glad the Commissioners get to see that firsthand.

As far as any new business, the only thing we have to address would be the appeal hearing for November. Commission Chairman Basore stated we have been notified that there will be a petition to move the appeal hearing to another date, so at the November meeting we will not have a hearing. We will meet at the regular time of 10:00 a.m. and at a later date we need to determine when to have that hearing.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Commission Chairman Basore stated the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Colonel Bryant stated AXXON has a display set up out back of the latest equipment and we invited local law enforcement, so I would encourage the commissioners or if anyone would like to go see some of the new equipment that is out there available to law enforcement, everyone here is welcome.

Commission Chairman Basore stated no personnel issues today, so there will not be an executive session.

With no further business, Commissioner Reeves made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Benton seconded, and Commission Chairman Basore adjourned the meeting at 10:47 a.m.

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Commission Chairman

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Commission Secretary