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AMENDED AGENDA POLICE STANDARDS ADVISORY COUNCIL



DATE: October 18, 2023

TO: Police Standards Advisory Council

FROM: Mark Stephenson, Interim Director

SUBJECT: Meeting Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 9:00 A.M.
Library, Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center
3600 North Academy Road, Grand Island, Nebraska 68803

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 16, 2023 P.S.A.C. MINUTES

III. REPORTS

- A. Director – N.L.E.T.C.**
- B. Deputy Director of Training – N.L.E.T.C.**
- C. Nebraska State Patrol Training Academy**
- D. Crime Commission Report**

IV. OLD BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2024 State Academy Curriculum-Voting Item** Attachment 1
- B. Allocation of Basic Training Academy Seats-Voting Item** Attachment 2
Title 79 Chapter 6
- C. Police Service Dog Curriculum-Voting Item** Attachment 3

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D. Extension of Patrol Rifle Instructor Certification-Voting Item

Joseph Summers-Papillion Police Department

Attachment 4

E. NCO's Not Eligible for Automatic Extension-Voting Item

<u>Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>16 Week Deadline</u>
Gregory Deaton	Dawes Co. Sheriff's Office	11/21/2023
Rylie Mason	Scottsbluff Police Dept.	12/11/2023

F. Waiver of Management Training In-Lieu-Of NLETC Management Course

1. Justin Grint-NE State Patrol-Voting Item **Attachment 5**

2. Paul Jacobson-NE State Patrol-Voting Item **Attachment 6**

G. Waiver of Supervision Training In-Lieu-Of NLETC Supervision Course

1. Nathan Eymann-NE State Patrol-Voting Item **Attachment 7**

2. Jeremiah Foster-NE State Patrol-Voting Item **Attachment 8**

3. Michael Lassen-NE State Patrol-Voting Item **Attachment 9**

H. Extension of the 1-Year Requirement for Management-Voting Item

Brian Piernicky-Nebraska Game & Parks Commission-Voting Item

Attachment 10

I. Academy Instructor Requests

Attachment 11

Professional Original-Voting Item

Wendi Ground-Lincoln Police Department
Douglas Headlee-Lincoln Police Department
Sara Prewett-Lincoln Police Department
Robert Markve-SDLEA

J. Revocations

1. August Hogan (LR-261-23)-Voluntary Surrender-Voting Item

2. Brian Wasson (LR-262-23)-Voluntary Surrender-Voting Item

**K. Dundy County Sheriff, Neb. Rev. Stat. 23-1701.01
Good Cause Hearing-Voting Item**

Attachment 12

Clinton Smith, Dundy Co. Sheriff

L. Recommendations on NLETC Director

M. Public Comments

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Informational Items

1. Trainees-No action needed.

Kylie Cordry-Beatrice Police Department
Nicholas Graner-Beatrice Police Department
Christien Vandergrift-Beatrice Police Department
Aaron Kolm-Madison County Sheriff's Office
Seth Kolm-Madison County Sheriff's Office

2. NCO Completed 80 hours of Training-No action needed.

Rylie Mason-Scottsbluff Police Department

B. Date, Time & Location of Next Meeting

November 15, 2023, 9:00 a.m., Library, Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, 3600 North Academy Road, Grand Island, Nebraska 68803

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
POLICE STANDARDS ADVISORY COUNCIL
September 20, 2023**



I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Assistant Chief Brian Jackson called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Legal notice of the meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star on September 13, 2023. Roll call; Asst. Chief Brian Jackson, Lt. Col. Buck Duis, Chief Paul Graham, Chief Deputy Greg London, Sheriff Dan Osmond, Chief Steve Reeves.

Absent from call to order was Mr. Matt McCarthy, Sgt. Drew Bolzer, and Deputy Chief Sherie Thomas.

II. APPROVAL OF August 18, 2023, P.S.A.C. MINUTES

Asst. Chief Brian Jackson asked if there was a motion to approve the August 18, 2023 minutes.

MOTION

Sheriff Osmond: I make a motion for approval. Chief Deputy London seconded the motion.

Voting in favor; Asst. Chief Jackson, Lt. Col. Duis, Chief Graham, Chief Deputy London, Sheriff Osmond, Chief Reeves. Motion approved.

III. REPORTS

A. & B. Interim Director-N.L.E.T.C. Report/Director of Training Report

Interim Director Stephenson reported that the L.E.A.R. program was progressing. Approximately 1.5 million dollars has been submitted for payment. Currently there are 1,100 applications that are waiting for address book numbers. The numbers show that the process is about half completed.



Benchmark Project: The new learning management system with Benchmark has been started. There was an extension from INFORMA during the transition to the new system. The new system went live for the 215th Basic testing as well as incorporating all of the database information. The complete transition to Benchmark is scheduled to be completed by January 1, 2024.

The 215th Basic is in week 5. There has been 1 academic failure. Currently 48 students are enrolled.

Other classes conducted:

- Patrol Rifle Instructor-September 11-15, 2023: 10 students enrolled
- Firearms Instructor Recertification-September 19, 2023: 11 students enrolled/10 students passed the course
- Patrol Rifle Instructor Recertification-September 20, 2023: 8 students enrolled

C. Nebraska State Patrol Training Academy

Capt. Ecklund reported that Camp 68 is in week 11 of training. Currently 7 recruits are enrolled. Captain Ecklund reported on the courses that were being taught and some future courses.

D. Crime Commission Report

Executive Director Bryan Tuma:

Revocations and De-certifications: The Crime Commission has become the repository for officer complaints from the general public. The Commission screens the complaints and, along with NLETC, investigates to determine the validity of the complaints.

Crime Commission Office: A re-organization effort at the Crime Commission is being implemented. Better accountability and efficiency are the goals of the effort. There are significant issues with Federal Grants. State grants seem to be very solid. Three staff members have left the commission. There have been two site monitoring audits in the month of September that identified some issues with the grants to work on. The hope is to get the vacancies filled and get things up and running.

Executive Director Tuma hired Paul Zeiger, who has a background in process and management issues. He is overseeing the accountability of various departments. His goal will be looking for improved ways to do business and improve our delivery of services.

NLETC Director Position: Executive Director Tuma reported that he wants to work with Chairman Jackson to collaborate on the hiring process. Ten applications are on file. The position has not closed yet. When the application

process is closed the applications will be reviewed to determine who will be interviewed.

POAN/NSA Conference: The conference will be in October. The Executive Director and NLETC Interim Director Stephenson will be in attendance.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked for a clarification on the 791 process. Executive Director Tuma and Interim Director Stephenson walked through the steps of the process once a Change-In-Status form is received with a 791.

Asst. Chief Jackson reported that the hearing (Item F) would not be happening. The hearing will need to be re-scheduled. More discussion will be taken when the Council gets to that agenda item.

Asst. Chief Jackson acknowledged and welcomed Chief Steve Reeves of the North Platte Police Department to the Council.

IV. Old Business

Title 79 Chapter 8

Asst. Chief Jackson went through Chapter 8 page by page to go over the proposed changes.

Proposed Changes:

Page 35: 002 Scope-Strikes "basic, reserve, or Reciprocity certification".

004-Strikes "These qualifications are the minimum qualifications required for entrance into a Training Academy and for Certification."
(change in language)

005.01-Strikes Basic and Reciprocity and is replaced by Law Enforcement

005.01A-Strikes language. Requires the applicant to be a citizen at the time of application. Strikes "prior to completion of certification training or is lawfully in the United States as specified in Neb. Rev. Stat §4-111 and/or otherwise able to obtain a professional license as specified in Neb. Rev. State. §4-111.

Page 36: 005.01C-Strikes "Training Center" when referring to the Director.

005.01F-Strikes "...been pardoned or has..."; "in a penitentiary"; "or by any foreign government of a crime which would be punishable

by imprisonment for a term of one year or more.” Adds “...or by any foreign government”; moves “...pardon has been obtained.” to the end of the section.

005.01H-Adds “...including a home schooled graduate...”

Chief Graham asked about what was needed from a home schooled graduate in place of a diploma. Asst. Chief Jackson responded that there wasn’t any State requirement but that the TABE test requirement helped.

Page 37: 005.01I-Strikes “and” from the end of the section.

005.01J-Adds “...Physician Assistant or Advanced Practice Registered Nurse...” and strikes “...by the physician”.

005.01K-Strikes “worked” and adds “been appointed...”; strikes “...one year including the time required for certification training...”; and adds “... 16 consecutive weeks or...”; strikes “waiver” and adds “an extension by the Council as outlined in Neb. Rev. §81-1414” and strikes “...based on extreme hardship by the Council.”

005.01L-Adds “...or the equivalent” regarding discharges from the United States Armed Services.

005.01M-Language changed to “The applicant has not been denied certification status, had his/her law enforcement certification/license revoked, suspended or currently under investigation and or review in this state or another jurisdiction.

Page 38: 005.01P-Adds “...involving the threat or actual use...”

005.01R-Additional section added. “If the applicant has never been employed as a law enforcement officer in Nebraska, he/she will undergo a psychological evaluation to determine fitness for duty.”

005.01S-Additional section added. “The applicant has met physical fitness standards as approved by the Council.”

005.02A-Strikes “generally” when referring to a person of good character.

Page 39: 005.02A4-Strikes “...on the highways within the past three years.”

005.02A6-Changes language to “Does not have a history of substance use (instead of abuse) to include:”

005.02A6a-Grammatically changed the language to read; “Has not illegally sold, produced, cultivated or transported for sale marijuana or another controlled substance.”

005,02A6d-Strikes “...controlled substance not prescribed to the applicant...” This sentence was added to Chapter 8 before it was rejected. Just returns it to the original language.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked for clarification of 005.02A6 and whether that should include “illegal” substance use. Chief Deputy London responded that grammatically the statement “to include;” covers it.

Page 40: 005.03A-Regarding mitigating and extenuating circumstances relevant to good character; strikes “...that does not automatically disqualify an applicant for consideration pursuant to State Statute 81-1410”

B-Strikes “...the recency” to make the sentence read better grammatically.

Page 41: 005.04-Replaces “shall” with “will” in the section; strikes “...Basic (or Reserve)” and adds “...law enforcement...”; replaces “...make inquiry into” with “collect information to determine if the applicant...”; strikes “...of the applicant in order to determine if the applicant meets the qualifications...” and adds “...for admission...”; strikes “...State Statute 81-1410...”.

005.04A2-Strikes “deliberate” when referring to omissions, falsifications and/or misrepresentations on the application.

Page 42: 005.04B1-Replaces “should” with “will”.

005.04B1-Grammatical changes to read; “Law Enforcement records checks where the applicant has resided.”

005.04B1(c)-Grammatical changes to read: “Review of military records, including discharges and re-enlistment status from the Armed Forces of the United States.”; Strikes “Any discharges that are classified less than honorable.” Replaces “...a thorough...” with “...additional...”. Added “Bad Conduct” to the list of discharges that would need additional review.

005.04B1(d)- Reduced the number of character references from 5 to 3.

005.04B2-Stricken with the following sections renumbered.

Page 43:

005.04B2(a)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(e)

005.04B2(b)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(f)

005.04B2(c)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(g)

005.04B2(d)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(h)

005.04B2(e)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(i)

005.04B2(f)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(j)

005.04B2(g)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(k)

005.04B2(h)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(l)

005.04B2(i)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(m)-replaced "instability" with "incapacity"

005.04B2(j)-Renumbered to 005.04B1(n)-added "a history of" to the section

005.04B3-Renumbered to 005.04B2; the word "should" was replaced with "will".

Page 44:

005.05-The word "shall" replaced with "will".

005.05A-Replaced "...is not employed as a law enforcement officer/trainee..." with "...has not been hired by a law enforcement agency..."; strikes "...when the applicant" and "newly elected" when referring to a Sheriff; strikes "newly" when referring to an agency administrator; adds "Nebraska" in the sentence "who is not certified as a Nebraska law enforcement officer at the time of election or appointment."

005.05C-Stricken

005.06A-Replaces "...State Statute 81-1410" with "in".

005.06B-Section added to read; "The Council, through the Director, can require an agency submit the entire background investigation for review."

Page 45: 006-Replaces "shall be" with "is"; Replaces "State Department of Education" with "Council"; replaces "by" with "through"

006.01-Removed the reference to the TABE test to not limit the Reading and Language test to TABE; strikes "...of the Nebraska State Patrol, Lincoln and Omaha Police Departments" when referring to Training Academies as locations for the testing.

006.02-Replaces "The Nebraska State Patrol, Lincoln and Omaha Law Enforcement" with "Training" when referring to those who made grade the test; removed the reference to TABE as per 006.01.

006.03-References to "TABE" were removed.

007-Stricken

008-Renumbered to 007.

008.01-Renumbered to 007.01; strikes "Basic, Reciprocity or Reserve" when referring to a "Certification course"; Added "Application packets for students who have not been hired by a law enforcement agency must be received ninety (90) days prior to the first day of the Certification course."

Page 46: 008.01A-Renumbered to 007.01A; removed all TC form numbers from 01A 1-15 and 01B 1-2 when referencing forms needing submitted with application packets; on item 4; removed "results" and added "verification form" and strikes "investigation"; on item 11; removed reference to TABE; on item 14 strike "Form I-9" to read "Employment Eligibility Verification Form; added number 15 "Background Check Waiver"

008.01B-Renumbered to 007.01B; added "an interlocal training academy, the agency must submit"; on item 1; removed "Report if employed by an agency" when referring to the Change in Status form; item 2 removed the TC number and referenced an "Applicant Report for Agency and Interlocal Academies"

Page 47 007.01B #4; Replaced "AFIS searched fingerprint cards" with "Reported records of criminal history check through the Federal Bureau of Investigation";

008.02-Renumbered to 007.02; Changed to read "Upon receipt of the change in status form, an applicant will be immediately enrolled in the next available Training session." Removed "...no later that two (2) months from the date of hire as a law enforcement officer or trainee."

008.03-Renumbered to 007.03; Added "With prior approval" and "The waiver will be"; strikes "...without the need for further review by the Council before the start of the certification course. However, the thirty day provision will not be waived if it will result in a hardship upon the requested Training Academy."; added "No application packet will be accepted less than fourteen (14) days before the beginning of the requested academy."

008.03A-Stricken

008.04-Renumbered to 007.04

008.05-Renumbered to 007.05

Page 48: 009-Renumbered to 008 (Review by Director and Council Review) Strikes "All documentation as specified in section 008 must be received by the Director no less than 30 days prior to the start of that applicant's requested certification course at the designated Training Academy or 90 days prior in the case of a diploma student."

009.01-Renumbered to 008.01; replaced "documentation" with "completed application packet"; replaced "30" with "10 working days"; replaces "shall" with "will" throughout the section; replaces "basic or reserve" with "law enforcement" when referring to certification training; The final sentence of the section reads "Upon request of the applicant or agency, the determination by the Director may be appealed according to Title 79 Chapter 13."; removing the line "reviewed at the next available Council Hearing."

009.02-Renumbered to 008.02; Replaces "At the request by the applicant or agency, the Council will conduct a hearing in order to determine whether the applicant meets minimum qualifications for admission into a certification course at a Training Academy." with "During the appeal process, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that he/she meets the admission qualifications."; changes the time frame for the Council's written decision from two (2) weeks to ninety (90) days.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion to approve the recommended changes to Title 79 Chapter 8.

MOTION

Chief Deputy London: I'll make a motion that we approve the recommended changes to Chapter 8. Chief Graham seconded the motion.

Voting in favor: Lt. Col. Duis, Chief Graham, Chief Deputy London, Chief Reeves, Asst. Chief Jackson. Voting against: Sheriff Osmond. Motion approved.

V. New Business

A. Extension of the 1-Year Requirement for Management

1. Brad Junker-Lincoln Police Department

Interim Director Stephenson reported that Lt. Junker had previously planned and paid for a family vacation prior to his promotion and will not be able to attend the 2023 in-person Management course. Interim Director Stephenson recommended the approval of the extension with the stipulation that he completes the Management course in 2024.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion.

MOTION

Sheriff Osmond: I'll make a motion that we grant the extension of the 1-year requirement for Brad Junker of the Lincoln Police Department. Chief Deputy London seconded the motion.

Voting in favor: Chief Graham, Chief Deputy London, Sheriff Osmond, Chief Reeves, Lt. Col. Duis. Abstained: Asst. Chief Jackson. Motion approved.

2. Michael Scriven-Lancaster County Sheriff's Office

Interim Director Stephenson reported that Captain Scriven was promoted in September 2022 but was unable to attend the 2022 in-person course due to the class being at capacity. Captain Scriven has completed the on-line portion of the training and is scheduled for the in-person course in October. Interim Director Stephenson recommended the approval of the extension.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion.

MOTION

Sheriff Osmond: I'll make the motion that we grant the extension of the 1-year requirement for Captain Scriven of the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office. Chief Deputy London seconded the motion.

Voting in favor: Chief Deputy London, Sheriff Osmond, Chief Reeves, Asst. Chief Jackson, Lt. Col. Duis, Chief Graham. Motion approved.

3. Ian Calder-Brown County Sheriff's Office

Interim Director Stephenson reported that Chief Deputy Calder asked for the extension due to staffing issues at his agency and that his absence for the 2023 course would be an undue burden on his agency. Interim Director Stephenson recommended the approval of the extension with the stipulation that he completes the Management course in 2024.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion.

MOTION

Chief Deputy London: I'll make a motion that we grant the extension for Deputy Ian Calder so that he can attend the class in 2024. Sheriff Osmond seconded the motion.

Voting in favor: Sheriff Osmond, Chief Reeves, Asst. Chief Jackson, Lt. Col. Duis, Chief Graham, Chief Deputy London. Motion approved.

B. Extension of the 1-year Requirement for Supervision

Cody Elgan-Lincoln Police Department

Interim Director Stephenson reported that Sgt. Elgan was promoted in December 2022 but had previously scheduled and paid for an out-of-state family vacation during the time of the 2023 NLETC Supervision course. Interim Director Stephenson recommended the approval of the extension.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion.

MOTION

Sheriff Osmond: I'll make a motion that we grant the extension of the 1-year requirement for Supervision training for Sgt. Elgan of the Lincoln Police Department. Chief Deputy London seconded the motion.

Voting in favor: Chief Reeves, Lt. Col. Duis, Chief Graham, Chief Deputy London, Sheriff Osmond. Abstained: Asst. Chief Jackson. Motion approved.

C. NCO's Eligible for Automatic Extension

Peyton Ott-Aurora Police Department
Dwayne Wilson-Frontier County Sheriff's Office
Emily Trimble-Gage County Sheriff's Office
Joshua Svendsen-Lyons Police Department
Matthew Brichacek-UNO Police Department

Interim Director Stephenson reported that everyone on the list has met the requirements for the automatic extension.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion.

MOTION

Chief Deputy London: I'll make a motion that we grant an extension for the 5 officers listed on the agenda. Sheriff Osmond seconded the motion.

Voting in favor: Asst. Chief Jackson, Lt. Col. Duis, Chief Graham, Chief Deputy London, Sheriff Osmond, Chief Reeves. Motion approved.

D. Waiver of NLETC In-Person Management Training

1. Jonathan Raughton-Sarpy County Sheriff's Office

Interim Director Stephenson reported that Lt. Raughton has submitted verification of training and a request for a waiver of his training in-lieu-of the NLETC in-person Management course. After reviewing the training submitted, Interim Director Stephenson recommends approval of the waiver of the in-person Management course with the stipulation that he would be required to take the on-line portion of the training.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion.

MOTION

Sheriff Osmond: I'll make a motion that we grant the waiver of management training in-lieu-of the NLETC management course for Jonathan Raughton from Sarpy County. Chief Graham seconded the motion.

Asst. Chief Jackson stated that he would be required to complete the online course.

AMENDED MOTION

Sheriff Osmond: I will amend my motion to add that he must attend the online management course. Chief Graham seconded the amended motion.

Voting in favor: Lt. Col. Duis, Chief Graham, Sheriff Osmond, Chief Reeves, Asst. Chief Jackson. **Abstained:** Chief Deputy London. Motion approved.

2. Kyle Percifield-Sarpy County Sheriff's Office

Interim Director Stephenson reported that Lt. Percifield has submitted verification of training and a request for a waiver of his training in-lieu-of the NLETC in-person Management course. After reviewing the training submitted, Interim Director Stephenson recommends approval of the waiver of the in-person Management course with the stipulation that he would be required to take the on-line portion of the training.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion.

MOTION

Sheriff Osmond: I'll make the motion that we grant the waiver of management training in-lieu-of the NLETC management course for Kyle Percifield of the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office provided he completes the on-line management course. Chief Graham seconded the motion.

Voting in favor: Chief Graham, Sheriff Osmond, Chief Reeves, Asst. Chief Jackson, Lt. Col. Duis. **Abstained:** Chief Deputy London. Motion approved.

E. Public Comments Policy

Mr. Stolz reported that agenda item came up in June 2023. A gentleman named Guy Brock had called wanting to get on the Council's agenda to speak. Normally requests will be made at least two weeks in advance to either Director Stephenson or to Steve Gobel, the secretary to the Council. Mr. Brock contacted the Attorney General's office and stated he didn't have an agenda item; he just wished to attend the meeting and speak to the Council. Per a phone call, Assistant Attorney General Leslie Donley indicated that per 81-1412, the Council needs to have some time that allows for public comment. Mr. Stolz expressed his concern to her because he believed Mr. Brock wanted to comment on an informal complaint and what we didn't want to have happen was to have someone come forward and present evidence or talk about an issue that would

be in front of the Council, possibly tainting the members from hearing the case later on. After going over the statutes Ms. Donley recommended that the Council did not have to offer the chance for public comments for every meeting. Three times a year would be sufficient.

Mr. Stolz provided a handout to the Council members that summarizes the proposed rules for a Public Comments policy per Nebraska Revised Statute 84-1412:

1. Each speaker shall identify himself/herself, state their address and identify the name of any organization represented by such person;
2. Each speaker will have 5 minutes to address the Council;
3. Each speaker cannot speak to an issue that is currently under appeal, is a contested case before the Council or will be in front of the Council in the immediate future or is currently under investigation by the Commission or personnel of the Commission;
4. The Chairperson of the Council reserves the authority to stop the speaker; when he/she refuses to meet the requirements of paragraph 31, exceeds the allotted time as specified in paragraph #2 or when the speaker's comments pertain to areas listed in #3 above.

Mr. Stolz stated that #1 came right out of the statute; #2 was an arbitrary number that the Council could use or change as they saw fit; #3 is to make sure that the Council doesn't hear any evidence offered outside of the actual appeal or hearing process.

Asst. Chief Jackson recommended that the Council offer it four (4) times a year to coincide with the months that the Crime Commission meets.

Sheriff Osmond agreed with the four times a year and recommended limiting the time to three (3) minutes.

Mr. Stolz recommended starting the first one at the October 2023 meeting.

Asst. Chief Jackson asked if there was a motion.

MOTION

Chief Deputy London: I'll make a motion to approve the recommended language except that we will do it quarterly and that each speaker will have three (3) minutes to address the Council. Asst. Chief Jackson: I will second the motion with the amendment that says quarterly, aligned with the Crime Commission meetings.

Chief Deputy London: Yes, I will amend my motion. Asst. Chief Jackson seconded the amended motion.

Voting in favor: Chief Deputy London, Sheriff Osmond, Chief Reeves, Asst. Chief Jackson, Lt. Col. Duis, Chief Graham. Motion approved.

Approved Rules for Public Comment Policy per NRS 81-1412:

1. Each speaker shall identify himself/herself, state their address and identify the name of any organization represented by such person;
2. Each speaker will have 3 minutes to address the Council;
3. Each speaker cannot speak to an issue that is currently under appeal, is a contested case before the Council or will be in front of the Council in the immediate future or is currently under investigation by the Commission or personnel of the Commission.
4. The Chairperson of the Council reserves the authority to stop the speaker, when he/she refuses to meet the requirements of paragraph #1, exceeds the allotted time limit as specified in paragraph #2 or when the speaker's comments pertain to the areas listed in #3 above.

Public Comments will be placed on the Council's Agenda quarterly to coincide with each month that the Crime Commission has its meetings. This will be in January, May, August, and October. The adopted rules will need to be available at each of the 4 meetings and the Chair will need to go over them before public comment is given.

F. Good Cause Hearing-Dundy County Sheriff Clinton Smith

Mr. Stolz reported that this was set as an agenda item for the Dundy County Sheriff to demonstrate good cause as to why he not in compliance with the State statute that requires a sheriff to be certified within eight (8) months of taking office. NLETC was contacted by an attorney that had been retained by Sheriff Smith on September 5, 2023. The letter had a lengthy discovery request from the Training Center. After consulting with Liz Gau from the Attorney General's office, some information was provided. That was not to the satisfaction of Sheriff Smith's attorney. He requested additional information that was furnished September 19th. At which time, both parties asked for a continuance for the hearing to be placed on the October agenda.

Asst. Chief Jackson stated that Mr. Stolz would not be available for the normally scheduled October meeting (October 18, 2023). Mr. Stolz clarified that he would be gone that week for Continuing Education training.

Asst. Chief Jackson instructed Steve Gobel to conduct an email poll of the members of the Council to see which date would work for them in order to have a quorum for the meeting. The two dates suggested were October 17, 2023 or October 25, 2023. No other action was taken on the agenda item.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Informational Items

A. 1 & 2

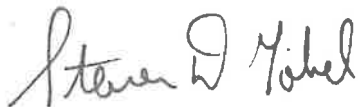
The trainees and NCO's who completed their 80 hours of training were listed on the agenda for the Council. No action taken.

B. Date, Time & Location of Next Meeting

October 17th or October 25, 2023, (to be determined depending on the outcome of the poll), 9:00 A.M., Library, Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center, 3600 North Academy Road, Grand Island, Nebraska 68801

Hearing no further business, Chairman Jackson adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Steven Gobel, Office Specialist