



**PEACE OFFICERS STANDARD AND TRAINING
COMMISSION COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 18, 2021
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I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion to Approve by: Commissioner Tom Spangler

Second Commissioner Mark Dunbar

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

II. ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

ROLL CALL

COMMISSIONER KIM BIRCHFIELD - Present

COMMISSIONER BRENT CHERRY - Present

COMMISSIONER MARK DUNBAR - Present

COMMISSIONER RAY FARRIS - Present

COMMISSIONER DEBORAH FAULKNER - Vice Chair – Present

COMMISSIONER WILLIAM FORRESTER III - Present

COMMISSIONER BUD HULSEY - Present

COMMISSIONER ED JACKSON - Absent

COMMISSIONER CHAD PARTIN – Chair – Present

COMMISSIONER LOWELL RUSSELL - Absent

COMMISSIONER TOM SPANGLER – Present

COMMISSIONER BOBBY WAGGONER - Present

COMMISSIONER BRIAN WRIGHT - Present

DISCLAIMER – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BRIAN GRISHAM

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MAY 21, 2021 COMMISSION MEETING:

Motion to Approve by: Commissioner Bobby Waggoner

Second Commissioner Tom Spangler

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

IV. DECERTIFICATION HEARING HELD THIS MONTH

NONE TO REPORT

V. APPEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION/WAIVERS FOR PRE-EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-9-.04

McEwen Police Department - Request a conviction waiver for **Kristina Marie Chapman (PSID# 4675-6035)**. On October 31, 2016, Ms. Chapman was arrested in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio and charged with Operating a Vehicle while Intoxicated and Improper Handling of a Firearms. On February 13, 2018, Ms. Chapman plead guilty to Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated. Ms. Chapman has since satisfied all court ordered fines and fees.

Appearing

Motion to **Disapprove** by: **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Second **Commissioner Brian Wright**

Remarks: **The Motion to Disapprove Carried.**

McMinnville Police Department - Request a conviction waiver for **Joseph Grant Mullican (PSID# 3921-9089)** hired April 27, 2021. On August 18, 2013, Mr. Mullican was arrested in Jacksonville North Carolina and charged with Simple Affray and Resisting a Public Officer. On October 22, 2013, Mr. Mullican plead guilty to Disorderly Conduct. Mr. Mullican has since satisfied all court ordered fines and fees.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Brian Wright**

Second **Commissioner Mark Dunbar**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Sullivan County Sheriff's Office – Request a conviction waiver for **Matthew Hunter Johnson (PSID# 9211-1743)** hired, February 24, 2021. On August 22, 2016, Mr. Johnson was arrested in Bristol, Tennessee and charged with Driving Under the Influence. On September 16, 2016, Mr. Johnson plead guilty to Driving Under the Influence. Mr. Johnson has since satisfied all court ordered fines and fees.

Appearing

Motion to **Disapprove** by: **Commissioner Brian Wright**

Second **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Remarks: **The Motion to Disapprove Carried.**

VI. WAIVER TO ATTEND ANOTHER ACADEMY – P.O.S.T. Rule 1110-02-.03(3)

Haywood County Sheriff's Office – Request a waiver to change academies for **Cory Dylan Vaughan (PSID# 3444-7518)** hired, May 10, 2021. In July of 2019, Mr. Vaughan attended the Tennessee Highway Patrol Training Academy. Mr. Vaughn was unable to the complete the training due to the death of an immediate family member. Haywood County Sheriff's Office is requesting the waiver to change academies so Ms. Vaughan may attend the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy (TLETA).

Appearing

Motion to Approve by: **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Second **Commissioner Brian Wright**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

VII. WAIVER OF BASIC TRAINING/SPECIALIZED SUBSTITUTIONS FOR IN SERVICE TRAINING – 1110-02-.03 + 1110-9-.02

The following requests for Waiver/Substitution of Basic Training have been reviewed and appear to meet P.O.S.T. requirements:

P.O.S.T. Assistant Director reviewed and administratively approved **19** P.O.S.T. Transition School Waivers and all corresponding supporting documents. The reported documents appear to be in order and meet or exceed the minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements.

In addition, P.O.S.T. Assistant Director reviewed and administratively approved **4** solo waiver requests based on the recently expired Governor's orders. Due to the recent expiration of the orders, the P.O.S.T. Commission has approved for solo waiver requests to be administratively approved until the virtual P.O.S.T. Transition School is completed.

Cookeville Police Department – Request a waiver to attend Transition School for **Keegan James Bogard (PSID#)** hired, April 12, 2021. In 2017, Mr. Bogard completed the Basic Police School at South Western Illinois College with 400 hours. The total number of hours the State of Tennessee required for a cadet to graduate in 2017 was 480 hours. If approved, Mr. Bogard will be required to attend 16 hours of Defensive Tactics, 12 hours of Firearms, and 36 hours of EVOC training, prior to attending the Transition School.

Appearing

Motion to Approve by: **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Knox County Sheriff's Office – Request a waiver to attend Transition School for **Brooks Anthony Sevin (PSID# 7370-8393)** hired, April 12, 2021. In 2011, Mr. Sevin completed the Louisiana Basic Police School with 386 hours. The total number of hours the State of Tennessee required for a cadet to graduate in 2011 was 400 hours. If approved, Mr. Sevin will be required to attend 18 hours of EVOC training, prior to attending the Transition School.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Spring Hill Police Department – Request a waiver to attend Transition School for **Jonathan Paul Tiller (PSID# 3201-4683)** hired, May 10, 2021. In 2019, Mr. Tiller completed the Georgia Basic Police School with 408 hours. The total number of hours the State of Tennessee required for a cadet to graduate in 2019 was 480 hours. If approved, Mr. Tiller will be required to attend 16 hours of Defensive Tactics, 8 hours of Firearms, and 24 hours of EVOC training, prior to attending the Transition School.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE WAIVERS

WAIVER OF IN-SERVICE – RULE 1110-09-.05

Request for a waiver have been received for the following officers so that they as well as their departments will remain in compliance with P.O.S.T. guidelines. They are not eligible for a Salary Supplement.

NONE TO REPORT

WAIVERS OF SIX (6) MONTH RULE:

THE TENNESSEE P.O.S.T. COMMISSION HAS RECEIVED AND REVIEWED **0** SIX-MONTH WAIVER WHICH FALL UNDER THE PROVISIONS OUTLINED IN THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15.30.

“The provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 38-8-107 and 38-8-111, requiring completion of basic training and in-service credits are suspended to the extent necessary to give the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission discretion to reasonably extend the deadline for meeting such requirements as necessary to respond to the effects of COVID-19.”

THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUESTING A WAIVER OF THE SIX (6) MONTH RULE TO KEEP THEIR OFFICER(S) AND THE DEPARTMENT IN COMPLIANCE.

Dechard Police Department – Request a six (6) month waiver for **Patrick Kyle Chambers (PSID# 2499-9258)** hired, March 17, 2021. Mr. Chambers is scheduled to attend the T.L.E.T.A. Basic Police School in October of 2021.

Motion to Approve by: **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Grundy County Sheriff's Office – Request a six (6) month-waiver for **Morgan Mashaun Cantrell (PSID# 4538-6808)** hired, October 14, 2020. On January 22, 2021, Ms. Cantrell was injured in an on-duty car crash, which prevented her from attending the basic police school. Ms. Cantrell is scheduled to attend the Cleveland State Basic Police School in September of 2021.

Motion to Approve by: **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Trenton Police Department – Request a six (6) month-waiver for **Stephanie Inez Haynes (PSID# 9010-6947)** hired, November 14, 2020. Ms. Haynes was accepted into the upcoming July class. However, due to a medical condition Ms. Haynes is scheduled to attend the T.L.E.T.A. Basic Police School in October of 2021.

Motion to Approve by: **Commissioner William Forrester, III**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

WAIVERS OF EIGHT (8) MONTH RULE:

The following officer(s) are requesting a waiver of the eight-month rule. They will receive the 2020 Salary Supplement payment if they completed 2020 In-Service requirements.

NONE TO REPORT

WAIVER FOR MEDICAL – RULE 1110-09-.06

The following departments are requesting a waiver for medical reasons for the 2020 calendar year, so the departments will also remain in compliance. Officers did not complete in-service training and are not eligible for Salary Supplement:

NONE TO REPORT

WAIVERS FOR MILITARY LEAVE – RULE 1110-09-.06(5)

The following departments are requesting a waiver for military service for the 2020 calendar year. Military orders are included along with change of status. These officers will be eligible to receive salary supplements, and the departments will remain in compliance.

P.O.S.T. Assistant Director has reviewed and administratively approved 17 Military Waivers and corresponding supporting documents. All the reported documents appear to be in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements.

Motion to **Approve** by: Commissioner Brian Wright

Second Commissioner Tom Spangler

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

IX. APPLICATIONS FOR TRAINING OFFICER – 1110-04-.03

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 2 application(s) for Training Officer, and they appear to meet criteria for approval.

The officer(s) listed below if any will be informed, they have one year to complete the Instructor Development course or approved substitute.

Motion to **Approve** by: Commissioner Tom Spangler

Second Commissioner William Forrester, III

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR – 1110-03-.04

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 25 application(s) for Certified Instructor, and they appear to be in order and meet minimum standards, and they have completed the minimum hours in attendance of required courses.

- The instructors listed below if any will be notified, they have **one year to complete Instructor Development or approved substitute:**

None to Report

- The officers listed below if any request a waiver of **the one-year training officer requirement:**

Joshua Edward Booth (PSID# 6845-5107)

Collegedale Police Department

Brandon John Jewell (PSID# 4218-3587)

Robertson County Sheriff's Office

Motion to **Approve** by: Commissioner Ray Farris

Second Commissioner Tom Spangler

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

X. CURRICULUM AND TESTS – 1110-04 and SPECIALIZED TRAINING CURRICULUM – 1110-04-.09

P.O.S.T. Investigators have reviewed and approved 65 in-service and specialized training classes this month as they appear to be in order and meet or exceed minimum standards set forth by the Peace Officers Standards and Training requirements. They have made note if these training offerings meet the P.O.S.T. requirements for Firearms, EVOC, Mental Illness and CSA.

Motion to **Approve** by: Commissioner Tom Spangler

Second Commissioner Mark Dunbar

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

Scott County Sheriff's Office – Colby Blake Wisner (PSID# 4304-5353) hired, January 25, 2019 as a full-time officer. However, P.O.ST. did not receive the required pre-employment paperwork until April 09, 2021.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: Commissioner Bobby Waggoner

Second Commissioner Mark Dunbar

Remarks: The Motion to Approve Carried.

Authorization Number 335472

XII. NEW BUSINESS/ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Knox County Sheriff's Office - Request approval of their 2020 Annual Report.

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Mark Dunbar**

Second **Commissioner Ray Farris**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

Christian Brothers Campus University Campus Police Department – Charlotte Elaine Easter (PSID# 1597-6746) hired, September 14, 2020 as a full-time officer. However, P.O.ST. did not receive the required pre-employment paperwork until May 21, 2021.

Appearing

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Brian Wright**

Second **Commissioner Bobby Waggoner**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**

The Tennessee Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission – Request an approval to move forward with the proposed rules notice, regarding Chapter 1110-04 In-Service Training Requirements.

Motion to **Approve** by: **Commissioner Mark Dunbar**

Second **Commissioner Bobby Waggoner**

Remarks: **The Motion to Approve Carried.**