

**Shelby County Law Enforcement Personnel Board**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**October 27, 2009, 6:30 p.m.**

Secretary of the Board Randy Donaldson called the meeting to order at the Sheriff's Office Training Center, asking Mr. Martin to give the invocation.

Board members and staff present were Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Weatherford, Mr. Brasher, Mr. Martin, and secretary to the Board Lucy Womac. Guests present were Chief Deputy John Samaniego, County Commissioner Corley Ellis, Corrections Officer Sgt. Keith English, C. O. applicant Jas. Brandon Hunt, and Mrs. Leta Hunt.

Mr. Weatherford moved to accept as written the minutes from the September 15 regular meeting and the September 29 special meeting. Mr. Brasher seconded the motion and it carried.

The LEPB had passed a motion at the last regular meeting to approve proposed changes to Rule 7.05(a), the section concerning educational requirements for taking promotional examinations. Mr. Weatherford now moved to adopt these proposed changes into the LEPB Rules and Regulations. Mr. Brasher seconded, and the motion passed.

Mr. Weatherford moved to approve the secretary's time sheet and mileage, with Mr. Martin seconding; the motion carried. A possible step raise for Mrs. Womac was tabled until a later meeting when all Board members could be present.

A list of thirteen employees whose step raises were approved by Sheriff Curry was provided to the LEPB as FYI. The Board requested to see the Payroll Change Notice of one employee whose raise had been denied.

Applicant Brandon Hunt passed the C. O. exam in August. He had completed most of the fitness test and was following other cars to Elvin Hill Elementary School for the mile-and-a-half run when the two cars in front of him went in opposite directions. He did not find the school and was disqualified. Mr. Hunt appealed to the LEPB his removal from the list of eligibles. Chief Samaniego said the Sheriff's Office had no objection to his taking the fitness test again. The Board agreed to allow Mr. Hunt to retest with the next group of applicants.

Clerical worker Jane Cox had asked to use thirty more days from the Reserve Sick Leave Bank. Mr. Weatherford moved to grant her request. Mr. Martin seconded, and the motion passed.

Deputy Stephen Darrenkamp has had treatment for cancer recently. Several of his co-workers had offered to donate some of their leave time to him, as he is using up his leave time and is not a member of the Reserve Sick Leave Bank. After a brief discussion, the Board suggested that he could consider taking the opportunity to join during November's open enrollment, and then request days from the Bank. The matter was tabled for another meeting.

With the Board Chairman not present to sign the Lieutenant-assessment contract with Auburn-Montgomery, this was also tabled for the next meeting.

New Deputy Ryan E. Baker had been hired with a bachelor's degree from Purdue University, with a chemistry major and sociology minor. C. O. Chris M. Register had reached junior class status at Columbia Southern University; his major is criminal justice administration. The Board considered their transcripts, plus a letter from CSU confirming Officer Register's class level. Mr. Weatherford moved to approve their ten and five percent educational incentives, respectively. Mr. Martin seconded, and the motion carried.

The Board then considered the following bills: AUM contract for \$8,525.00, AUM expenses for \$1,831.91, The Shelby County Reporter for \$228.88, and AT&T for \$12.82. Mr. Weatherford moved to approve the bills for payment. Mr. Brasher seconded the motion and it passed. Chairman Mitchell had approved via email the payment of the previous AT&T bill for \$12.83 because Commission Accounting had requested approval for payment in order to close out the fiscal year. After some discussion, the Board agreed that small, regular bills such as phone bills should be turned in to the Commission for payment upon receipt.

The secretary was asked to contact Chairman Mitchell about holding a special meeting on November 9 or 10. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes approved by:

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Randall W. Donaldson, Board Secretary

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Teddy R. Brasher

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Bill M. Martin

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Bruce P. Weatherford