

Merit Board Meeting Boone County, Indiana February 16, 2023

Board Member: You are hereby notified that there will be a Merit Board Meeting of the Boone County Sheriff's Office Merit Board at the Boone County Sheriff's Office in the City of Lebanon, on Thursday, February 16, 2023 @ 9:00am.

Merit Board President Bret Lee called the meeting to order. Members in attendance were Shirley McClaine, Doug Taylor, and Jon Cravens.

January minutes were presented to the board. Member McClaine requested an amendment to the regular session minutes. Matron Hicks made the update and presented new minutes to the board. Member Taylor made a motion to approve the regular session minutes with the update. Member McClaine seconds. All in favor. Member Taylor made a motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes as presented. Member McClaine seconds. All in favor.

Sheriff Harris told the board that we currently have two openings for Merit Deputy. We have a lateral/internal process going. There are three remaining in the process, one lateral from Marion County Sheriff's Office/ISP Schools and two from our corrections division.

The jail expansion project continues to move forward. Administration and Investigations will be moving to the trailers. Sheriff Harris spoke to Hagerman yesterday, but they still have not started digging. At this time we do not know how long admin will be at the fairgrounds, that will be dependent on the construction timeline.

President Lee suggested having a Law Enforcement Day during the Lebanon Leprechauns season. It was discussed if it should be all Law Enforcement or just for Merit Deputies. Sheriff Harris told the board that he wanted to leave this up to them as the Merit Board to decide. The baseball game last year was a hit with the Deputies and the board wants to do something else for them. President Lee & Member Cravens will reach out to the deputies to see what they would like to do.

Sheriff Harris let the Board know that he plans on having a meeting every month even if he doesn't have anything on the agenda and if he cannot be at the meeting. He will be sure someone from his Command Staff is available to attend should he ever not be able to.

Member McClaine made a motion to close the meeting. Member Taylor seconds the motion. All in favor.

Secretary Jon Cravens:

