

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MINUTES – JULY 19, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 1:30 P.M.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. June 21, 2022, Minutes *MOTION:* Move to accept the minutes as received

Gilmore/Palmerton: Motion accepted unanimously

3. CHIEF EXAMINER UPDATE

Chief examiner Pearson provided updates regarding Civil Service department operations.

- a. Welcome to the July meeting.
- b. Introduce new staff members:
 - Caitlin new Personnel Analyst I promoted from Municipal Court- Court Clerk II
 - Shellee Administrative Specialist promoted from Human Resources
- c. Recruiting is getting tough with the number of employees retiring and leaving this organization. We have 27 open recruitments this week and we had 35 last week. We are opening and recruiting as fast as we can.
- d. Second round of free testing this year for police and fire both have academies coming up. This week started a two month social media marketing campaign with Careers and government and Public Safety Testing to drum up excitement and get the word out that we are free testing in September. More details to come.
- e. Supported Employment will be doing an open house/meet and greet in September to kick off our Supported employment recruitment opening in October and November this year. We are reaching out to the community members and trying something new.
 - o Commissioner Hult welcomed the 2 new team members.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Resolution 2022-03: Classification Actions
 MOTION: To adopt them as recommended
 Stephens/Gilmore: Motion passes unanimously

b. Administrative Complaint: Request for investigation regarding the termination of a probationary employee in Parking Services Department.

 Joe Cavanaugh, President of Local 270, filed administrative complaint regarding the manner in which a termination took place of a probationary employee in parking services. Request for an investigation.
 Use the link below to view and hear the proceedings of Agenda Item 4b.

City of Spokane Vimeo https://vimeo.com/731514801

The Commission heard the complaint presented.

MOTION: Move that we investigate this further as requested by Mr. Cavanaugh of Local 270.

- o Commissioner Gilmore expressed the importance of PAR's.
- Commissioner Hult asked Chief Examiner Pearson if the investigation was done by Civil Service staff only or in conjunction with Human Resources?
- Chief Examiner Pearson stated that she would be doing the investigation.
- Commissioner Hult asked if it was reasonable to expect the report at the next commission meeting.
- o Chief Examiner Pearson stated that she would have the results at the next meeting.
- Commissioner Stephens appreciated Mr. Cavanaugh not inferring inappropriate conduct by the City and it is not unreasonable to call for an documentation that supports the decision that was made.

Gilmore/Stephens: Motion passes unanimously

- c. Reappointment of Mark Lindsey by the police and fire unions for a four -year term from 2023-2026 pursuant to Section 52 A of the City Charter.
 - Chair Lindsey said "Thank you, I'm honored"
 Informational Item no action needed

5. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Commissioner Gilmore asked about the Rule Review.
 - Chief Examiner Pearson stated that we just met last week. Completed 4 rules this far. Getting
 into a more volatile discussion regarding promotions, eligible lists and rules of the list. Should
 be done by first quarter of 2023. No meetings in November and December.
 - We will present the Commission updated language for adoption.
- b) Commissioner Stephens confirmed the time of next meeting.Chief Examiner Pearson confirmed that it was still at 1:30 pm for August.

6. ADJOURN

The Commission adjourned at 1:46 P.M.

Motion: To adjourn

Hult/Palmerton: Passed unanimously