



VCJC Waiver Subcommittee Meeting Minutes for June 28, 2023

Meeting Date and Time: Wednesday, June 28, 2023 2:00PM

Meeting Location: This meeting was via Microsoft Teams.

In attendance: Brian Searles, Justin Stedman, Travis Bingham, and Erin Hodges

Members Absent: Mark Anderson

Others in Attendance: Lindsay Thivierge, Ethan Weinstein

Call to Order: *(WS Chair Brian Searles) 2:00 PM*

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda: None

Meeting Minutes: Motion made to accept minutes from by Justin Stedman, second by Erin Hodges.

General Comment: The chair has not had any discussions yet with the Executive Director regarding the waiver subcommittee.

Waiver Candidate Emma Costanzi:

Summary of candidates file, general discussion on transcripts. Standard prescription was recommended by the Subcommittee Motion to approve the candidate Emma Costanzi into the waiver program made by Justin Stedman, second by Erin Hodges. All in favor

Waiver Candidate James Grondin:

Summary of candidates file, general discussion on transcripts. Standard prescription was recommended by the Subcommittee Motion to approve the candidate James Grondin into the waiver program with the three year requirement reached by August 7th made by Justin Stedman, second by Erin Hodges. All in favor

Waiver Candidate David Wesch:

Summary of candidates file, general discussion on transcripts. Standard prescription was recommended by the Subcommittee Motion to approve the candidate David Wesch into the waiver program made by Justin Stedman, second by Travis Bingham, Erin abstained due to it being a VSP candidate. All in favor

Waiver Candidate Deanna Lopez:

Summary of candidates file, general discussion on transcripts. Standard prescription was recommended by the Subcommittee. Prior to certification wait for information on employment, if continual employment would approve. Motion to approve the candidate Deanna Lopez into the waiver program with the stipulation that the candidate work continuously as a Level II to reach the three year requirement, made by Justin Stedman, second by Erin Hodges. All in favor

Rule 13 Floyd Morey

Summary of candidates request, general discussion.

Subcommittee is not comfortable with the request. Without a medical evaluation or a firearms instructor providing an analysis. Either they can pass the qualification or they cannot, if you can't then you are out of the job. This is a subject area of great consequence. We could set a meeting for a date to have this completed by, if they



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have not met the requirement by then their certification would lapse. If information came in later then they could waiver in or do the Level II program.

Set a date for a final review, must not work in a law enforcement capacity until such time.

Justin Stedman motion to decline waiver, second by Travis Bingham, all in favor.

Rule 13 George Contois

Summary of candidates request, general discussion.

The role of the Council rules are if you can't perform up to the standard then you shouldn't be acting as a law enforcement officer. The Sheriff could forego certification and do a role as an admin. How do you approve this one and not the last one?

A physical requirement is needed when working. These certifications are proof that they are ready to perform and if they are unable to complete they should not be doing the work of a law enforcement officer.

Discussion was had on next steps. These will be presented to the Executive Director and possibly the council.

General Discussion:

Brief discussion on the three types of waivers—this will be taken up at a different meeting.

Brief discussion on a standard prescription vs. officer specific will be taken up at a different meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Justin Stedman, 2nd by Travis Bingham, all in favor

Meeting Adjourned