

Law Enforcement Advisory Board Meeting JUNE 9, 2021

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X Paul Soptick
X Scott Mackey
X Reed Partridge
Lt Col Bob Gunja
Dixie Kaster
Don Jolley
X Tony Carter
X Irene Caudillo
Don Ash
Mary Hopkins
Joan DeMoss
X Dan Soptic
Michael York
Terry Brockman
X Kevin Steele
X Lynn Melton
Pam Waldeck
Casey Meyer
Kent Anderson
X Kimberly Weaver
X Kelly Herron
X LaRon Thompson

Tony Carter opened the meeting at 4:00pm. Everyone present introduced themselves.

Reed Partridge

Reed Partridge said the auditor's office will transition to the office from home as the COVID pandemic subsides.

He reminded everyone that our new Chief of Police will be sworn in on June 14th.

Assistant Chief Kelly Herron for Chief York

Asst Chief Herron said the swearing in ceremony would be for PD and would be on Facebook Live at 9:00am.

There are 14 recruits in the academy. The next class will start the 3rd week of July. There are 2 lateral transfers, one from New Mexico and 2 from Leawood Kansas. They will move to Kansas City in one year.

Lt Col Dan Soptic for Sheriff Ash

He said he had met with our new chief and had very positive thoughts in regards to his becoming our new Chief.

He said they graduated four deputies May 27th with their next class to start in September having three applications at this time.

This is Law Enforcement month and the Sheriff's Dept will host a ceremony honoring the fallen deputies with a BBQ lunch afterward for \$5.00 with the proceeds going to help the families of fallen deputies.

Tony Carter brought up the diversity within the KCKPD and the Sheriffs Departments and questioned how we as a board could help attract minorities to become LEO' s.

LtCol Dan Soptic said his Department had partnered with KC Metro to put ads on the side of their busses for a four month period. They also said they were working with the County Administrators office to offer incentives to help in hiring.

Adjourned 4:47pm

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