

**RILEY COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY  
SPECIAL LAW BOARD MEETING  
City Commission Meeting Room  
1101 Poyntz Avenue  
Manhattan, KS  
December 31, 2019 10:00 a.m.  
Minutes**

**Members Present:** Craig Beardsley Mike Dodson  
Linda Morse (arrived at 10:13 a.m.) Robert Ward  
Barry Wilkerson

**Absent:** Marvin Rodriguez BeEtta Stoney

**Staff Present:** Director Dennis Butler

**Recorder:** Nichole Glessner

**I. Establish Quorum:** By Chairman Dodson at 10:13 a.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance:** Director Butler led the Riley County Law Enforcement Agency (Law Board) in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. General Agenda:**

**A. Public Comment:** None.

**B. Board Member Comments:** None.

**C. Executive Session:** At 10:15 a.m. Wilkerson moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel matters. Ward seconded the motion.

Wilkerson wished to amend the motion under consideration and moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel matters until 10:45 a.m. Ward seconded the motion. Chairman Dodson polled the Board and the motion passed with Wilkerson, Beardsley, Morse, Ward, and Dodson voting in favor, and no one voting against. The motion passed 5-0.

At 10:45 a.m. the open meeting reconvened.

Wilkerson moved to return to Executive Session until 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel matters. Beardsley seconded the motion. Chairman Dodson polled the Board and the motion passed with Wilkerson, Beardsley, Morse, Ward, and Dodson voting in favor, and no one voting against. The motion passed 5-0.

At 11:02 a.m. the open meeting reconvened.

Wilkerson moved to return to Executive Session until 11:22 a.m. for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel matters. Beardsley seconded the motion. Chairman Dodson polled the Board and the motion passed with Wilkerson, Beardsley, Morse, Ward, and Dodson voting in favor, and no one voting against. The motion passed 5-0.

At 11:22 a.m. the open meeting reconvened.

Wilkerson moved to return to Executive Session until 11:30 a.m. for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel matters. Beardsley seconded the motion. Chairman Dodson polled the Board and the motion passed with Wilkerson, Beardsley, Morse, Ward, and Dodson voting in favor, and no one voting against. The motion passed 5-0.

At 11:33 a.m. the open meeting reconvened.

**D. Authorize the Chair to execute a modified Employment Agreement between the Riley County Law Enforcement Agency and Director Dennis P. Butler, beginning with the first pay period of 2020:** Wilkerson moved to approve the modified Employment Agreement between the Riley County Law Enforcement Agency and Director Dennis P. Butler, beginning the first pay period of 2020 with a step increase from current pay grade E. on the approved 2019 salary chart (base pay \$140,000) to F. on the approved 2020 salary chart (base pay of \$147,510.44). Other compensable items in Director Butler's contract include a Cost of Living Allowance (COLA), clothing allowance, and vehicle allowance. In accordance with Department policy, he is also to receive education incentive pay. These items represent a total annual compensation of \$157,110.48 for 2020. Beardsley seconded the motion. Chairman Dodson polled the Board and the motion passed with Wilkerson, Beardsley, Morse, Ward, and Dodson voting in favor, and no one voting against. The motion passed 5-0.

Chairman Dodson extended his appreciation, as well as that of the entire Law Board, to Director Butler and the men and women of the RCPD for their service to the public and all that they have done over the past year.

Director Butler thanked the Board for the kind comments and stated that the employees of the RCPD: police officers, correctional officers, and civilians, perform an amazing job for the community. The employees give it their all and do a great job. He commented that he is appreciative of the support he has received from the Law Board, and values the openness and honesty they have shared with him. He added that it is a privilege and honor to be in his position and serve the community.

**E. Adjournment:** The December 31, 2019 Special Law Board Meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.