

# TEXAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

## Commission Meeting Minutes June 20, 2024

On Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 1:00 p.m., a meeting of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) was held. The meeting was held at the J.J. Pickle Research Campus, The Commons Learning Center, 10100 Burnet Road, Bldg. 137, Austin, Texas, 78758.

Commissioners attending were: Presiding Officer Kim Lemaux; Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester; Secretary Justin West; Patricia Burruss; Janna Atkins; Sheriff Michael Griffis; Justin Berry; Conor Harvey.

TCOLE staff attending were: Executive Director Greg Stevens; General Counsel John Beauchamp; Information Technology and Special Services Director Jessica Capraro; Enforcement Major T.J. Vineyard; Finance Director Brian Roth; and Government Relations Director Gretchen Grigsby; Assistant General Counsel Aaron Heath; Assistant General Counsel Jennie Hilbig; Assistant General Counsel Mark Duncan; Assistant General Counsel Daniel Walker.

### Agenda item 1, Call to order.

Presiding Officer Kim Lemaux called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

The Presentation of Colors was presented by the Odessa Police Department Honor Guard.

The pledges of allegiance were led by Secretary Justin West.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Melissa Biegert with The University of Texas at Austin Police Department.

### Agenda item 2, Roll call of members.

Roll call of members was called, and a quorum was present.

### Agenda item 3, Welcoming remarks from Presiding Officer Kim Lemaux.

Welcoming remarks were made by Presiding Officer Kim Lemaux. Presiding Officer Lemaux recognized the Odessa Police Department Honor Guard and thanked them for their presentation of the colors. Presiding Officer Lemaux also thanked to Chief Eve

Stephens with The University of Texas at Austin Police Department, for hosting the meeting and the State of Texas Law Enforcement Achievement Awards on June 21, 2024.

Agenda item 4, Approval of the minutes of the April 29, 2024 Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Janna Atkins made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2024, Commission Meeting. Secretary Justin West seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Agenda item 5, Receive reports and take action, if necessary.

### **Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Greg Stevens introduced seven new staff members including: Kaya Kumar, who joined our IT team as a software developer, Daniel Walker, who joined our legal team as a legal assistant, Jason Perez who joined our IT team as an IT support specialist, Ashley Thomas, who joined our IT team as an information technology support specialist, Darnesjia Buford-Creighton who joined our IT team as a software developer, and Andrew Bui, who joined our legal team as a legal intern for the summer. Director Stevens advised that the agency is working diligently to fill the staff positions gained in the 88th Texas Legislative Session with the best and most qualified candidates. The agency has a goal of filling all the staff vacancies by the end of the year.

Executive Director Stevens advised that TCOLE has met with various stakeholder groups across the State to educate agencies and licensees about the implemented changes to rules and model policies. Executive Director Stevens emphasized the importance of building relationships ahead of the upcoming 89th Texas Legislative Session.

Executive Director Stevens advised that the next Commission workshop, strategic planning event and meeting will take place in El Paso, Texas on August 7-8, 2024.

Presiding Officer Lemaux praised the efforts of Executive Director Stevens and the executive team to educate people on policy changes by traveling across the state. Presiding Officer Lemaux praised the work of the advisory and sub-committees that contributed to the policy changes.

### Credentialing, Education, and Field Services Report

Credentialing, Education, and Field Services Report, given by Director of Government Relations, Gretchen Grigsby, who shared statistics on classes under development and newly released classes on the e-learning platform. Director Grigsby advised that the classes are well utilized and well received.

### Information Technology and Special Services Report

IT Director Jessica Capraro advised the Commission that 2024 TCOLE Training Conference will take place in McAllen, Texas on October 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> and 45 out of 100 exhibitor booths have been filled. Director Capraro advised that attendee registration will open on July 15, 2024.

Director Capraro advised that the TCLEDDS and MyTCOLE systems will undergo maintenance starting at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 27, 2024, through start of business Monday, July 1, 2024. Director Capraro advised a notice of the scheduled maintenance was sent to users last week, today and on the day of the maintenance. Director Capraro said this is necessary to move to the private cloud under the Department of Information (DIR). Director Capraro praised the efforts of TCOLE employees Ben Lusby and Mike Brown, and their teams, who worked diligently to complete this project over the last three years.

Director Capraro advised that Public License Lookup is on track for a September launch. Director Capraro shared screenshots of the Public License Lookup login and the search function page to the Commission.

### **Enforcement Report**

Enforcement Major TJ Vineyard advised that the Enforcement Divisions' primary focus is on training compliance, background investigations and "straggler" courses. Major Vineyard advised that notifications have been sent out for these courses and there has been progress with people taking the courses through MyTCOLE. Major Vineyard advised some people are still receiving their licenses that have not completed those classes and it will take another eight to nine months to cycle through to completion. Major Vineyard advised that he and his team are still committed to getting all licensees to complete the classes. Major Vineyard advised there is a similar effort with school-based law enforcement certificate and getting ISD officers in compliance.

Major Vineyard advised that RAP Back subscriptions have increased to around 125,000 subscriptions. Major Vineyard advised the latest report showed there are less than 13,000 active licensees not subscribed. Major Vineyard stated patterns have been identified where agencies fingerprint someone post-appointment instead of pre-appointment.

Presiding Officer Lemaux thanked Major Vineyard for the work on the RAP Back and for thinking outside the box and hiring a temp employee to get this completed.

Major Vineyard advised that the background investigator course will be available to those who are newly appointed to conduct background investigations and as a tool for

those who have been disciplined for failures in the background process, to offer the opportunity to attend training as part of the action taken.

### **Government Relations Report**

Government Relations Director Gretchen Grigsby advised on the continuation of meetings with legislators and their staff to discuss potential legislative changes, budgetary needs and updates on TCOLE developments. Director Grigsby stated that communication efforts are successful according to feedback given from stakeholders. Director Grigsby stated that TCOLE staff are staying mission focused and equipping TCOLE licensee's to be the best servants of their communities.

Director Grigsby gave an update on the Law Enforcement Achievement Awards Ceremony scheduled to take place on June 21, 2024, and thanked the selected judging panel for their efforts. Director Grigsby reiterated that nominations can be submitted throughout the year from departments and encourages all departments to do so.

Presiding Officer Lemaux thank Director Grigsby for her work in creating a broader, more diverse group of recipients from organizations throughout the state of Texas. Presiding Officer Lemaux encouraged all ranks of departments to submit nominations up through their chain of command.

### **Finance Report**

Finance Director Brian Roth provided the agency expenditure and revenue report. Director Roth stated that the financial position of TCOLE remains strong as the agency moves into the fourth quarter. Director Roth stated that accomplishments include a strategic plan document, a customer service survey, property surplus duties, insurance renewals, resources for school marshal training, and peer network activities. Director Roth advised that the focus is currently on anticipated legislative needs of the next biennium and preparing legislative appropriation requests, with exceptional items.

The Commission took a break from 2:06 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

## Agenda item 6, Discuss and take action on Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027 Legislative Appropriations Request, including exceptional items.

Presiding Officer Lemaux thanked the budget sub-committee involving Commissioners Hester, Griffis and Harvey for the work they have done.

Director Grigsby advised the budget sub-committee has done a great amount of work and internal staff are refining the exceptional items requests. Director Grigsby stated more information will be presented to the Commissioners at the August meeting.

Assistant Presiding Officer also thanked Commissioners Harvey and Griffis for their involvement on the budget sub-committee and thanked the TCOLE staff for their work. Assisting Presiding Officer Hester advised that they should have the final list of needs to present to the full commission board at the August meeting.

## Agenda item 7, Discuss and take action on the agency fee schedule pursuant to TCOLE Rule 211.17.

General Counsel John P. Beauchamp provided an overview of the agency fee schedule changes. General Counsel Beauchamp advised there were no changes to the fee's listed. He advised on other changes that include the removal of items that were obsolete and he addition of new proficiency certificates.

Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to accept the agency fee schedule. Commissioners Justin Berry and Michael Griffis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# Agenda item 8, Discuss and take action to finally adopt the amendment to existing TCOLE Rule §218.3, Legislatively Required Continuing Education for Licensees, related to Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT).

General Counsel John P. Beauchamp provided an overview of the amendment to existing TCOLE Rule §218.3 stating that this proposed amendment will incorporate the addition of Texas Occupation Code §1701.253 (q) and §1701.3525 made by Senate Bill 1852 in the 88th regular legislative session and will read as "All peace officers shall complete ALERRT Level 1 training no later than August 31, 2027. Training for all chief administrators, who are licensed as peace officers, shall include ALERRT command and leadership training each unit." General Counsel Beauchamp proposed striking language "and their designated senior level police officers" due to "designated senior level police officers" not being defined and causing confusion.

Public comment was given by Chief Gene Ellis of the Texas Police Chiefs Association who advised that the organization supports this proposed change. Chief Ellis advised that the definition of "designated senior level police officers" is different for each organization.

Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to adopt the amendment. Commissioner Patricia Burruss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# Agenda item 9, Discuss and take action to finally adopt new TCOLE Rule §211.24, Licensee Service Report Database, related to statutory exclusion of officer information and the retention of user activity from the database.

General Counsel John P. Beauchamp provided an overview of TCOLE Rule §211.24, Licensee Service Report Database. General Counsel Beauchamp advised that according

to Texas Occupation Code §1701.205 exclusion revisions, TCOLE can formulate the form for the licensee to submit to be excluded from the Public Licensee Report Database lookup. General Counsel Beauchamp read through the draft of the form and stated that the form is due September 1, 2024, with a renewal date of March 31 of each year. General Counsel Beauchamp stated the form will protect those who are involved in undercover positions or for those active in sensitive investigations.

Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester advised that with the current proposed dates, the form would only be good for 6 months and then would need to be renewed in March. He advised that the amount of forms TCOLE receives could be cumbersome.

Executive Director Greg Stevens advised that by having a due date of March 1, this will coincide with other items due to TCOLE by the agency and will be a reminder to send that information in.

Major TJ Vineyard stated that individuals will not be updated on March 1 and that the deadline date can be changed on the form since this is not written in the rule. Major Vineyard said that once the system is up, there will be more data to support decision making.

Commissioner Conor Harvey stated that he supports the idea of a yearly alert to remind agencies, underline and bold the due date and making the form good for 12 months from the time it is submitted.

Assistant Presiding Officer Hester stated that this will be heavy work for larger agencies compared to smaller ones, who do not have many in those roles.

Commissioner Justin Berry advised that many in undercover roles are in those roles for more than a year and suggested extending the due date to two years, because this form renewal may be forgotten due to workloads. Commissioner Berry advised that the protection of these individuals should be a priority.

Commissioner Patricia Burruss made a motion to adopt new TCOLE Rule §211.24, Licensee Service Report Database. Assistant Presiding Officer Hester seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item 10, Discuss and take actions on proceedings for revocation, suspension, and other disciplinary actions.

Default Suspension Orders

Assistant General Counsel Jennie Hilbig presented the default suspension orders to the Commission. Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to accept the default suspension orders for Justin L. Armijo of the Caldwell County Sherrif's Office, Abigail A. Gamez of the Guadalupe County Sherrif's Office, Brittani A. Griffin of the Collin County Sherrif's Office, Dena M. Johnson of the Jefferson County Sherriff's Office, Juan Martinez Jr. of the Val Verde County Sherriff's Office and John D. Maxwell of the Edwards County Constable PCT.1. Commissioner Justin Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Default Revocation Orders

Assistant General Counsel Jennie Hilbig presented the default revocation orders to the Commission. Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to accept the default revocation orders for Wesley D. Gentry of the Cooke County Sherriff's Office and Alejandro Medrano of the Ector County Sherriff's Office. Commissioner Justin Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Default Cancellation Orders

Assistant General Counsel Daniel Walker presented the default cancellation orders to the Commission. Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to accept the default cancellation orders for Zachary B. Freeze of the Montgomery County Constable Precinct 4, Brian E. Hall of the Edwards County Sherriff's Office and Jennifer L. Hennigan of the Orange County Sherriff's Office. Commissioner Justin Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Agreed Suspension Waivers

Assistant General Counsel Daniel Walker presented the agreed suspension waivers to the Commission. Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to accept the agreed suspension waiver for Francisca D. Castillo of the Harris County Sherriff's Office. Commissioner Justin Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Agreed Revocation Waivers

Assistant General Counsel Aaron Heath presented the agreed orders revocation waivers to the Commission. Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to accept the agreed revocation waivers for Officers Adam L. Franklin-Alonso of the San Antonio Police Department, Audrey K. Katcsmorak of the Atascosa County Sherriff's Office, Ryan Stephens of the Bell County Sheriff's Office and Audrey N. Wright of the Wood County

Sherriff's Office. Commissioner Justin Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Agreed Cancellation Waiver

Assistant General Counsel Aaron Heath presented the agreed cancellation waiver to the Commission. Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to accept the agreed cancellation waiver for Ellena Sulaica of the Dimmit County Sherriff's Office. Commissioner Justin Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Agreed Order of Suspension

Assistant General Counsel Aaron Heath presented the agreed order of suspension to the Commission. Assistant Presiding Officer Jason Hester made a motion to accept the agreed order of suspension for Officer Ethan R. Villanueva of the Crosby County Sherriff's Office. Commissioner Justin Berry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### For Information Only

Assistant General Counsel Mark Duncan provided a review of the following disciplinary actions before the Commission for information purposes. No action necessary.

Statutory Suspension		
Lafaurie, Bryan A.	Peace Officer	Fort Worth Police Dep't
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Statutory Revocation		
Cook, Rusty B.	Jailer	Bell Cnty. Sheriff's Office
Term Surrender		
Redding, Ronald	Peace Officer	Joshua I.S.D. Police Dep't
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Permanent Surrenders		
Borunda, Jesus	Peace Officer	Austin Police Dep't
Castillo III, David	Peace Officer	Zavala Cnty. Sheriff's Office
De La Cruz, Randy	Peace Officer	Edinburg Police Dep't
Denzler, Eran P.	Peace Officer	Splendora Police Dep't
Jauregui, Christopher J.	Peace Officer	La Porte Police Dep't
Martin, Katon D.	Jailer	Jefferson's Cnty. Sheriff's Office
McCoy, William L.	Peace Officer	Houston Police Dep't
Morris, Donald J.	Temporary Jailer	Jackson Cnty. Sheriff's Office
Nunemaker, Jonathan B.	Peace Officer	Castroville Police Dep't
Oliver, Claude A.	Peace Officer	Dickinson Police Dep't
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Pisa, Christopher Peace Officer, Jailer Williamson Cnty. Sheriff's Office Ridley, Jimmele D. Peace Officer Univ. of Houston - Downtown LEA Romero Jr., Eduardo Peace Officer Maverick Cnty. Constable Pct. 1 Rogers, Lance M. Peace Officer Harris Cnty. Constable Pct. 2 Rose, Steven B. Peace Officer Houston Police Dep't Salinas, Javier Peace Officer Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Segovia, Ronaldo C. Peace Officer San Antonio Police Dep't Stephens, Kody Peace Officer, Jailer Grapeland Police Dep't Strong, Andrew M. Peace Officer, Jailer Harris Cnty. Constable Pct. 4 Thompson, Jason M. Peace Officer, Jailer Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office Waldran, Joshua D. Peace Officer Hawk Cove Police Dep't

Reprimands for Administrative Violation

Adame, Alvaro Jailer Hidalgo Cnty. Sheriff's Office Aguilar, Edgar I. Jailer Dallas Cnty. Sheriff's Office Airola, Jerry M. Peace Officer City of Santa Clara Marshal's Office Alexander, Johnnie Tailer El Paso Cnty. Sheriff's Office Allen, John H. Peace Officer, Jailer Lee Cnty. Sheriff's Office Asencio, Juan Peace Officer Austin Police Dep't Atkinson, Cody Peace Officer Fort Worth Police Dep't Avila, Alejandro Y. Peace Officer Real Cnty. Sheriff's Office Awe, Oluwafemi O. Peace Officer, Jailer Tarrant Cnty. Constable Pct. 7 Batts, David Jailer Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Bernal, Fernando G. Jailer Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office Biggers, Tiera Jailer Jefferson Cnty. Sheriff's Office

Blanco, Nicholas Telecommunicator Lancaster Fire Dep't

Jailer, Telecommunicator Wheeler Cnty. Sheriff's Office Blaylock, Breanna

Blythe, Steven P. Peace Officer Lone Star Police Dep't Bradley, Cedrick D. Peace Officer, Jailer Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Brambila, Yesenia Telecommunicator Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office Brown, LeThomas L. **Tailer** Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Brown, Stacie Peace Officer Arlington Police Dep't Burman, Travis K. Peace Officer

Liberty Cnty. Sheriff's Office Carrera, Giancarlo **Jailer** Cameron Cnty. Sheriff's Office Carrier, Kindall R. Jailer Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Castillo, William A. **Jailer** Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Peace Officer Cervantez, Byron D.

Llano Cny. Sheriff's Office Chaney, Michael

Peace Officer Harris Cnty. Constable Pct. 7

Chidsey, Daniel P. **Tailer** Travis Cnty. Sheriff's Office Christ, Stacey P. Peace Officer Williamson Cnty. Sheriff's Office

Coleman, Deron E. Peace Officer Dallas Police Dep't

Colona, Christopher J. Peace Officer Brewster Cnty. Sheriff's Office Corpus, Jacob **Jailer** Starr Cnty. Sheriff's Office

Davies, Oluwabunmi **Jailer** Karnes Cnty. Correctional Facility Davis, Aunriette **Jailer** Goliad Cnty. Sheriff's Office Davis, Ayanna **Telecommunicator** Clute Police Dep't Delagarza, Roxanne **Tailer** Karnes Cnty. Correctional Facility Demby Jr., Willie A. Peace Officer Houston I.S.D. Police Dep't Denning, Shawn Peace Officer, Jailer Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Diaz, Adam Peace Officer Somerset Police Dep't Donalson, Quadtavius **Jailer** Ellis Cnty. Sheriff's Office Dubose, Allie Peace Officer Richwood Police Dep't Dwyer, Dusty Peace Officer Fort Worth Police Dep't Dzierzanski, Sean T. **Jailer** Nueces Cnty. Sheriff's Office Economopoulos, Marios **Jailer** Cameron Cnty. Sheriff's Office Estrada, Kimberly Peace Officer Grand Prairie Police Dep't Fasulo, James A. Peace Officer, Jailer Jefferson Cnty. Sheriff's Office Figueroa-Silva, Lizandra Jailer Uvalde Cnty. Sheriff's Office Flores, Junior Peace Officer Arlington Police Dep't Franklin, Afrika K. **Jailer** Coleman Cnty. Sheriff's Office Gabriel, Kiara **Jailer** Dallas Cnty. Sheriff's Office Galen, John C. Peace Officer, Jailer Castle Hills Police Dep't Gamboa, Joel **Jailer** Ellis Cnty. Sheriff's Office Gann, Jonathan Peace Officer Live Oak Police Dep't Garcia, Aracili Telecommunicator Live Oak Police Dep't Garcia, Fabian **Tailer** Guadalupe Cnty. Sheriff's Office Garcia, Kassondra Peace Officer Coffee City Police Dep't Garza, Noe Telecommunicator La Grulla Police Dep't Glass, Jacob Peace Officer Farmersville Police Dep't Goetz, James Peace Officer Dallas Police Dep't Graham, Nicholas J. Jailer Erath Cnty. Sheriff's Office Gray, James **Jailer** Blanco Cnty. Sheriff's Office Griego, Kyle Peace Officer Converse Police Dep't Guereca, Michael **Jailer** Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office Hall, Brittany Jailer Jefferson Cnty. Sheriff's Office Hamill, James Peace Officer Terrell Police Dep't Hayes, James E. Peace Officer Houston I.S.D. Police Dep't Henderson, Tricha **Telecommunicator** Univ. of Texas System Police Dep't Hernandez, Alejandro Jailer Texas Board of Criminal Justice Heubach, Richard Peace Officer Nolanville Police Dep't Higbee, Lavern Peace Officer Weatherford College Police Dep't Hogan, Kenneth W. Peace Officer, Jailer Galveston Cnty. Sheriff's Office Horton, Jahlyl A. **Jailer** Haskell Cnty. Sheriff's Office Hudson, Cynthia **Tailer** Navarro Cnty. Sheriff's Office Hudson, Willie **Iailer** Dallas Cnty. Sheriff's Office Hughes, Christopher J. Peace Officer Texas Dep't of Public Safety

Hutton, Bradley Peace Officer Plano Police Dep't Jimenez, Jonathan Jailer Val Verde Cnty. Sheriff's Office Jones, Sonja Jailer Gregg Cnty. Sheriff's Office Jones, Talon **Jailer** Lubbock Cnty. Sheriff's Office Joslin, John E. Peace Officer Coffee City Police Dep't Kilgore, Alexandra S. Jailer Pecos Cnty. Sheriff's Office Kirkner, Robert **Tailer** Rusk Cnty. Sheriff's Office Krough, Monty Peace Officer Arlington Police Dep't Leonard, Deanne Jailer Bell Cnty. Sheriff's Office Levario, Dezire **Tailer** Garza Cnty. Sheriff's Office Liguez, Miguel Peace Officer Falfurrias Police Dep't Lopez-Patzan, Brian Peace Officer Saint Hedwig Marshal's Office Lott, Frankie Jailer Texas Board of Criminal Justice Luna, Gilberto E. Peace Officer Hidalgo Cnty. Constable Pct. 4 Mack, Quincy T. **Tailer** Jefferson Cnty. Sheriff's Office Mackey, Alex W. **Tailer** Brown Cnty. Sheriff's Office Maldonado, Quentin D. **Tailer** Cameron Cnty. Sheriff's Office Martin, Daniel F. Peace Officer, Jailer Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Martinez, Joshua D. Peace Officer, Jailer Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office McKinney, Troy J. Peace Officer Texas Dep't of Public Safety Menchaca, Alan E. **Jailer** Washington Cnty. Sheriff's Office Molina, Javier **Jailer** Karnes Cnty. Correctional Center Monier, Muszaab A. Peace Officer Carrollton Police Dep't Morgan, Taleesia **Jailer** Bowie Cnty. Sheriff's Office Mosley, Mandella T. Peace Officer La Marque Police Dep't Muffley, Roger W. Peace Officer Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. Police Dep't Nelson, James **Iailer** Montgomery Cnty. Sheriff's Office Nieto Jr., Ruben P. Peace Officer **Brazos River Authority** Odom, Autumn **Jailer** Wichita Cnty. Sheriff's Office Parker, Jeffrey T. Peace Officer Tahoka Police Dep't Perez, Guillermo E. Peace Officer Alamo Colleges District Poindexter, Brittany J. **Jailer** Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office Polk, Zakar A. **Iailer** Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office Price, Rodney S. Peace Officer Fairfield Police Dep't Prudente, Oscar Jailer Waller Cnty. Sheriff's Office Puente, Manuel Peace Officer, Jailer McAllen Police Dep't Ramcharan, Ronnie G. Peace Officer Burnet Cnty. Sheriff's Office Ramirez, Oscar G. Jailer Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office Rawls, Garyth W. Peace Officer Kennedale Police Dep't Renner, Ross W. Peace Officer Amarillo Police Dep't Rios, Candace Jailer Texas Board of Criminal Justice

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Harlandale I.S.D. Police Dep't

Gray Cnty. Sheriff's Office

Robertson, Daleneshia J. Jailer Bowie Cnty. Sheriff's Office Robinson, Brittany Peace Officer, Jailer Houston Police Dep't Rodriguez, Jacob D. Peace Officer Horizon City Police Dep't Rodriguez, Johnny **Tailer** Jim Wells Cnty. Sheriff's Office Rodriguez, Rayana V. **Telecommunicator** Kingsville Police Dep't Ross, Aaron L. Peace Officer Kaufman Cnty. Constable Pct. 2 Roush, Marshall S. Peace Officer Mathis Police Dep't Ryan, Michael L. Peace Officer Gray Cnty. Sheriff's Office Sacks, Michael Z. **Tailer** Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Sanchez, Albert Peace Officer San Antonio Police Dep't Saylor, Paige A. **Telecommunicator** Navasota Police Dep't Skinner, Jimmy R. Peace Officer Gray Cnty. Sheriff's Office Skinner, Joel C. Peace Officer Gray Cnty. Sheriff's Office Smart, Stephen Peace Officer, Jailer Collin Cnty. Sheriff's Office Smith Jr., John A. Peace Officer Fort Worth Police Dep't Smith, Laynie Jailer Harris Cnty. Sheriff's Office Sobo, Eyitayo Peace Officer, Jailer Harris Cnty. Constable Pct. 4 Sodergren, Sara **Tailer** Bell Cnty. Sheriff's Office Sparta, Peter Peace Officer Newton Cnty. Constable Pct. 4 Stone, Mary M. Telecommunicator Pearland Police Dep't Swanzy, Shad K. Peace Officer Nederland Police Dep't Tamez, Emilio **Tailer** Brooks Cnty. Sheriff's Office Tiemann, James E. Peace Officer Galveston Police Dep't Torres, Juan Texas Board of Criminal Justice **Jailer** Vargas, Erick Peace Officer Comal Cnty. Sheriff's Office Vega, Lucia Y. **Jailer** Texas Board of Criminal Justice Velazquez, Mary L. Peace Officer Progresso Police Dep't Villasana, Justin Peace Officer Harris Cnty. Constable Pct. 2 Villegas, Daniel **Jailer** Val Verde Cnty. Sheriff's Office Winston, Andre P. **Jailer** Bexar Cnty. Sheriff's Office Wise, Kenneth C. Tailer Upshur Cnty. Sheriff's Office Wright Jr., William L. Peace Officer Houston I.S.D. Police Dep't

### Agenda item 11, Receive public comment on any topic, without action.

Public comment was provided by Joel Caldwell, representing himself as a citizen of Galveston County. Mr. Caldwell commented on the recommendation for a license revocation that is currently happening in Galveston County and that TCOLE should not be involved in local politics. Mr. Caldwell stated that during a current election, a team member of one of the opponents filed a complaint against the other, and now there is a recommendation for the revocation of this individuals license. Mr. Caldwell stated he feels that this type of case sets a bad precedence, and elections need to be determined by the voters, not a regulatory agency.

Public Comment was provided by Henry Poretto, representing himself as a citizen. Mr. Poretto thanked the Commissioners for their work. Mr. Poretto stated that the Commission represents the people of the state, and that TCOLE should not be involved in politics because political interference from a state level person is a concern. Mr. Poretto stated there should not be retaliation for people that disagree with the Commission. Mr. Poretto asked the Commissioners to order a licensee survey for the people they represent and ask what TCOLE does for them. He advised that the board should guide the new executive director.

Agenda item 12, Executive Session to discuss pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and personnel issues, including evaluation of Executive Director's job performance pursuant to sections 551.071 and .074 of the Texas Government Code, Open Meetings Act.

No executive session.

Agenda item 13, Return from Executive Session to report and discuss further actions to be taken as a result of the Executive Session, if necessary.

No executive session.

### Agenda item 14, Adjourn.

Commissioner Janna Atkins made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Patricia Burruss seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Justin West, Secretary IW/sf