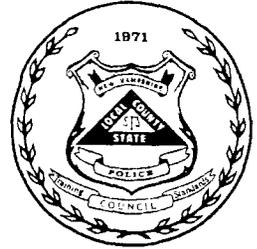




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**Approved Minutes**

**September 24, 2013**

The 434<sup>th</sup> meeting of the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Chairman Michael L. Prozzo, Jr., in classroom one at the Arthur D. Kehas Law Enforcement Training Facility and Campus in Concord, New Hampshire.

Members Present: Chairman Michael L. Prozzo, Jr., Sheriff of Sullivan County; Vice Chairman, Commissioner William Wrenn, New Hampshire Department of Corrections; Deputy Attorney General Ann Rice, Sheriff David Dubois, Strafford County; Chief Peter Morency, Berlin Police Department; Major Russell Conte, New Hampshire State Police; Chief Anthony Colarusso, Dover Police Department; Judge Sawako Gardner, 10th Circuit District Division, Portsmouth; Chief David Cahill, Sunapee Police Department; and Judge James Carroll, 4th Circuit District Division, Laconia (arriving at approximately 9:05 a.m.).

Members Absent: Chief James Sullivan, Hampton Police Department, Vice Chancellor Ronald Rioux, Community College System of New Hampshire.

Staff Present: Director Donald L. Vittum, Chief Tim Merrill, Captain Mark Bodanza, Captain Benjamin Jean.

Guests Present: Attorney John Krupski, Trooper Seth Cooper, Trooper Brynn Lovejoy, Trooper Melissa Robles, and State Representative from Belmont, Michael Sylvia

**Approval of Minutes**

Deputy Attorney General Ann Rice moved for the Council to approve the minutes of August 27, 2013. Following a second by Chief Colarusso, the unanimous vote of the Council was 8-0.

**Previous and/or Unfinished Business**

**Pistol Proficiency Award – Captain Mulla**

Captain Mulla explained the breakdown of the grade for this award, to be presented at graduation. One third score from the academic test, one third average qualifying score and low light and one third score of simunitions and use of force.

Motion by Chief Cahill to approve the award, seconded by Sheriff Dubois, unanimous vote by the Council 8-0.

(Judge Carroll arrived)

Drug Policy Committee

Sheriff Prozzo asked that this item remain on the agenda for next month.

Item seven (a hearing Pol 302.01 (d)) was continued; item eight (a hearing Pol 302.01) was removed.

Special Training Grants, Captain Jean

Captain Jean explained that the staff had compiled information on grant requests to determine which classes were most often requested.

Special Training Grants are budgeted items at PSTC, to provide assistance to agencies for training *that is not available at Police Standards and Training*.

PSTC holds a class which is similar to the First Line Supervisor Class conducted by Roger Williams College in Portsmouth Rhode Island. Captain Jean brought this item to the Council member's attention to make a decision when awarding grant funds.

Motion by DAG Ann Rice to "accept the staff's recommendation; if we have a first line supervisor school, and will not accept applications for grants, so we remove that expectation". The motion was seconded by Chief Colarusso, the Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion 9-0.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

PT&E Requests

Officer Merek Weisensee, Sanbornton Police Department

(DOH: 09/01/13) Will be granted certification upon successful completion of the medical exam, and entrance fitness test.

Officer Jason Bouchrouche, Seabrook Police Department

(DOH: 08/22/13) Will be granted certification upon successful completion of the medical exam, and entrance fitness test.

Requests for Extensions

Note: Extensions granted until fitness testing for requested Academy, and, if testing is successful, through the end of the requested Academy.

Full-Time Police Officer Academy

162<sup>nd</sup> Academy September 16, 2013 to December 20, 2013; entrance fitness test September 3, 2013.

163<sup>rd</sup> Academy January 6, 2014 to April 10, 2014; entrance fitness test December 6, 2013.

164<sup>th</sup> Academy June 6, 2015 to September 12, 2014; entrance fitness test May 27, 2014

Part-Time Police Officer Academy

265<sup>th</sup> Academy August 10, 2013 to November 9, 2013; entrance fitness test July 27, 2013.

266<sup>th</sup> Academy February 8, 2014 to May 9, 2014; entrance fitness test January 25, 2014.

Corrections Academy

96<sup>th</sup> Academy September 3, 2013 to November 1, 2013, entrance fitness test August 20, 2013

Officer Dylan Kenneson, Chichester Police Department

(DOH: 02/14/13) Will be granted an extension through the date of the entrance fitness test and, if testing is successful, through the end of the 266<sup>th</sup> Part Time Academy with the stipulation that Officer Kenneson must remain actively enrolled in the 266<sup>th</sup> Part Time Academy and may continue working only in the direct presence of a certified officer.

CO Ryan Fauteux, NH Department of Corrections

(DOH 08/09/13) Will be granted the extension through the date of the entrance fitness test, and if testing is successful, through the end of the 97<sup>th</sup> Corrections Academy with the stipulation that CO Fauteux must remain actively enrolled in the 97<sup>th</sup> Corrections Academy and may only work in the direct presence of a certified Corrections Officer.

CO Julianne King, NH Department of Corrections

(DOH 08/09/13) Will be granted the extension through the date of the entrance fitness test, and if testing is successful, through the end of the 97<sup>th</sup> Corrections Academy with the stipulation that CO King must remain actively enrolled in the 97<sup>th</sup> Corrections Academy and may only work in the direct presence of a certified Corrections Officer.

Officer Jeffrey Antista, Windham Police Department

(DOH: 06/17/13 Part-time certified) Will be granted the extension through the date of the entrance fitness test and, if testing is successful, through the end of the 163<sup>rd</sup> Full Time Academy with the stipulation that Officer Antista must remain actively enrolled in the 163<sup>rd</sup> Full Time Academy.

**Requests for Specialized Training Grant Funds (Balance: \$16,664.25 )**

**Farmington Police Department** was granted funds for Sgt. Ernest Orlando to attend the Command Training Series Mid Management Course, at Roger Williams University in Portsmouth, RI, from October 28 to November 1, and November 4 to November 8, 2013.

**Portsmouth Police Department** was granted funds for Lt. Christian Cummings and Lt. Darrin Sergent to attend Command Training Series Mid Management Course, at Roger Williams University in Portsmouth, RI, from October 28 to November 1, and November 4 to November 8, 2013.

**Motion** by Chief Cahill to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wrenn, the vote was unanimously in favor of the motion 9-0.

**Hearing Pol 402.02(d), Trooper Brynn Lovejoy, New Hampshire State Police**

Trooper Brynn Lovejoy was present with her attorney John Krupski, State Police Union representative Trooper Seth Cooper, and Trooper Melissa Robles for a hearing regarding a violation of Pol 402.02 (d). When asked, Attorney Krupski responded that they would like the hearing held in a non-public session.

**Motion** by DAG Ann Rice seconded by Chief Morency for the Council to enter a non-public session, the roll call vote, including Chairman Prozzo, was unanimously in favor of the motion, 10-0.

At this point, Major Conte recused himself from this hearing, as well as Trooper Robles, and State Representative Michael Sylvia.

9:20 a.m. Council commenced a non-public session.

9:50 a.m. Council members recessed.

10:15 a.m. Council hearing was back in session.

10:30 a.m. **Motion** by Commissioner Wrenn, seconded by Chief Morency to seal the minutes of the non- public session, Council vote was unanimously in favor of the motion 8-0.

10:30 **Motion** by Commissioner Wrenn, seconded by Chief Cahill to exit the non public session, the roll call vote including Chairman Prozzo, was unanimously in favor of the motion, 9-0.

**Motion** by Ann Rice, seconded by Chief Cahill to suspend the certification of Brynn Lovejoy according to Pol 402.02 (d) as there was no just cause not to suspend. The Council vote was unanimously in favor of the motion, 8-0.

**Dress Code for Graduation**

Chief Colarusso addressed Council members with a concern he had about the dress code of recruits during Academy graduations.

Chief Colarusso stated that he felt that recruits should be asked to participate in their

graduation wearing dress uniforms, long sleeve shirts and neck ties. He observed recruits wearing short sleeves with t-shirts during the last graduation, and he thought with all the state dignitaries present, respect should be shown to them. "How you present yourself is half the battle".

Discussion ensued amongst the Council members, considerations for hot summer weather, and the fact that some communities do not have dress uniforms for their officers due to the extra expense. Commissioner Wrenn suggested that this may be a topic to include in the upcoming planning session on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Planning Session 2013**

Director Vittum announced that he'd like to hold this year's planning session in November on the same day of the Council meeting, the 19<sup>th</sup>. The planning session would be in the morning, and the meeting would be held in the afternoon with the day running from 9 to 4.

Director Vittum asked if Council members had any concerns to bring to the planning session. Chief Morency asked about how to invite chiefs to the planning session. Director Vittum stated that Council members should make suggestions to staff, and that staff would prepare invitations. He expected the total invited to be around 30.

Commissioner Wrenn asked about adding a section to the planning session relative to required physical fitness testing. He stated that the Department of Corrections was having difficulty hiring people to fill positions due to the fitness testing requirements.

Chairman Prozzo stated that he had reviewed the topics from the 2012 PSTC Planning Session, and hoped that the other Council members would do the same.

### **PSTC Driving Pad Conditions**

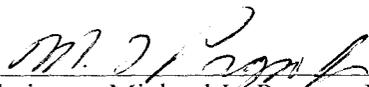
Chief Cahill asked about the agenda attachment regarding paving the driving pad at the rear of the Academy. Director Vittum responded that the project had been turned down by the highway safety division for grant funding. Captain Jean followed up, explaining that the pad has been maintained for many years by fixing cracks in the pavement, but ultimately the pavement should be replaced.

Next Meeting Date/Adjournment

The next meeting of the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council will be held on October 22, 2013, at nine o'clock in the morning.

Upon a **motion** by DAG Ann Rice, seconded by Chief Colorusso, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Chairman Michael L. Prozzo, Jr.