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Chairman

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John V. Scippa
Director

PUBLIC MINUTES

Police Standards and Training Council

May 25, 2021

Present at PSTC with below listed staff:

Chairman, Sheriff Chris Connelly, Hillsborough County

Mr. Edward Lecius

Dr. Maureen Sullivan

Judge Melissa Countway 3rd Circuit District Division, Ossipee

Sheriff Massahos, Rockingham County Sheriff's Office

Commissioner Helen Hanks, New Hampshire Department of Corrections

Judge Sawako Gardner, Circuit Court Judge

Deputy Attorney General, Jane Young

Colonel Nathan Noyes, New Hampshire State Police

Present by Zoom:

Jason Bishop, Community College System of New Hampshire

Chief Ho-Sing-Loy, Sugar Hill Police Department

Chief Steven Russo, Keene Police Department

Not in attendance: Chief Michael Carignan, Nashua Police Department

Staff Present: Director John Scippa, Major David Parenteau, (Ret.), Lt. Adam Hawkins, and Anne Paquin, Investigative Paralegal at PSTC in classroom two.

Guests Present: Lt. Scott Towers, New Hampshire Department of Corrections with Lucy Rodriguez Contreras; Chief (Ret.) Janet Champlin

Staff Present by Zoom: Chris Collman, PSTC staff, in Littleton NH.

Chairman Connelly called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Motion to approve the April 27, 2021 public minutes by Mr. Lecius, seconded by Judge Countway.

Chairman Connelly took the roll call vote:

Sheriff Massahos	yes
Chief Ho-Sing-Loy	yes
Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	abstain
Mr. Jason Bishop	abstain
Colonel Noyes	abstain
Commissioner Hanks	yes
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

Motion to approve the April 27, 2021 nonpublic minutes made by Dr. Sullivan, seconded by Judge Gardner

Chairman Connelly took the roll call vote:

Sheriff Massahos	yes
Chief Ho-Sing-Loy	yes
Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	abstain
Mr. Jason Bishop	abstain
Colonel Noyes	abstain
Commissioner Hanks	yes
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

Director's Report

Director Scippa reviewed his report, which he had submitted by email to Council members the day before the meeting, (copy attached).

The last section of the Director's report dealt with the availability of frangible ammunition which is a requirement for using the PSTC firearm's range.

Motion by Mr. Lecius, seconded by Deputy Attorney General Jane Young to temporarily lift the requirement to only use frangible ammunition on PSTC's firearm's range for one year due to the difficulty in obtaining frangible ammunition.

Chairman Connelly took the roll call vote:

Sheriff Massahos	yes
Chief Ho-Sing-Loy	yes
Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	yes
Mr. Jason Bishop	yes
Colonel Noyes	yes
Commissioner Hanks	yes
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

Motion to accept the Director's Report by Commissioner Hanks, seconded by Chief Ho-Sing-Loy.

Sheriff Connelly took the roll call vote.

Sheriff Massahos	yes
Chief Ho-Sing-Loy	yes
Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	yes
Mr. Jason Bishop	yes
Colonel Noyes	yes
Commissioner Hanks	yes
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

New Business

New Hampshire Department of Corrections – Lt. Scott Towers

Lt. Towers was present with Correction’s Officer Trainee Lucy Rodriguez Contreras. CO Contreras was not able to pass the Low Light Firearms qualification while attending the 114th Correction’s academy. They were present to ask the Council to allow CO Contreras to continue to work under direct supervision and to participate in the 115th Academy’s Low Light Firearm’s training and attempt to qualify with that class.

Motion by Mr. Lecius, seconded by Colonel Noyes to approve the request of the New Hampshire Department of Corrections to allow CO Lucy Contreras to continue to work under direct supervision of a certified correction’s officer and to attend the 115th Academy’s Low Light Firearms training and make another attempt to qualify.
Sheriff Connelly took the roll call vote.

Sheriff Massahos	yes
Chief Ho-Sing-Loy	yes
Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	yes
Mr. Jason Bishop	yes
Colonel Noyes	yes
Commissioner Hanks	abstained
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

Informal Conference, Pol 402.02 (b)

Chairman Connelly informed the Council that there was an informal conference held with Attorney John Krupski and his client, Richard Valenti on May 10th. Attorney Krupski had requested that the information be conveyed in a nonpublic session.

Chairman Connelly asked Council members to proceed in a nonpublic session, quoting RSA 91-A:II (c).

Motion to initiate a nonpublic session by Dr. Sullivan, seconded by DAG Young.

Sheriff Connelly took the roll call vote.

Sheriff Massahos	yes
Chief Ho-Sing-Loy	yes

Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	yes
Mr. Jason Bishop	yes
Colonel Noyes	yes
Commissioner Hanks	yes
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

Major Parenteau asked Chairman Connelly to confirm the citation as RSA 91-A:3, II (c), which Chairman Connelly agreed was correct.

At 9: 42 a.m. Council members began a nonpublic session, members on Zoom exited the public Zoom meeting and entered the nonpublic Zoom meeting.

Motion to exit the nonpublic session by DAG Young, seconded by Judge Gardner.

Sheriff Connelly took the roll call vote.

Sheriff Massahos	yes
Chief Ho-Sing-Loy	yes
Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	yes
Mr. Jason Bishop	yes
Colonel Noyes	yes
Commissioner Hanks	yes
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

At 9:45 a.m. the Council members were back in a public session.

Motion by Dr. Sullivan, seconded by Chief Russo to accept the voluntary temporary suspension of Richard Valenti, Jr.'s police certification by Attorney John Krupski for his client until the disposition of the criminal charges, and further order of the Council.

Sheriff Connelly took the roll call vote.

Sheriff Massahos yes
 Chief Ho-Sing-Loy yes
 Judge Countway yes
 Judge Gardner yes
 Chief Russo yes
 Maureen Sullivan yes
 Mr. Ed Lecius yes
 DAG Young yes
 Mr. Jason Bishop yes
 Colonel Noyes yes
 Commissioner Hanks yes
 Chairman, Sheriff Connelly yes

The motion passed.

Consent Calendar

Prior Training and Experience Requests

Nicholas Powden, Salem Police Department

(DOH 05/10/21) will be granted full-time police officer certification based on prior training and experience.

Christopher Buckley, UNH Police Department

(DOH 04/19/21) will be granted full-time police officer certification based on prior training and experience.

Joshua Parro, Walpole Police Department

(DOH 03-26-21) will be granted full-time police officer certification based on prior training and experience.

Requests for Extensions

Note: Extensions granted until the first council meeting following the fitness testing for the requested Academy, and, if testing is successful, to the first council meeting following the end of the requested Academy.

*Full Time Academy

Class Number	184	185	186
Dates	01/04/21 – 04/23/2021	05/03/21-08/20/21	08/30/21-12/17/21

Paperwork Submission Deadline *	12/07/2020	04/05/21	08/21/2021
Fitness Test Date	12/21/2020	04/19/2021	08/16/2021

* All paperwork by the submission deadline, which is before 4:30 PM close of business. Class size is limited to 67 students. The attendees will be determined after successful completion of the Entrance Fitness Test, based on the received order of the completed applications.

****Part Time Academy**

Class Number	280	281
Dates	01/23/2021 – 05/21/2021	07/24/2021-11-19/2021
Paperwork Submission Deadline *	01/02/2021	06/26/2021
Fitness Test Date	01/16/2021	07/10/2021

****Corrections Academy**

Class Number	115	116
Dates	5/10/2021-7/16/2021	09/07/2021-11/12/2021
Paperwork Submission Deadline *	04/12/2020	08/09/21
Fitness Test Date	04/26/2021	08/23/21

**All paperwork by the submission deadline, which is before 4:30 PM close of business. Class size may be limited. If so, the attendees will be determined after successful completion of the Entrance Fitness Test, based on the received order of the completed applications.

Medical Extensions for Fitness Testing

Chief Travis Austin, Hebron Police Department will be granted a six month extension

Addendum items were added and approved for the consent calendar

Kyle Burt, Bedford Police Department, prior training and experience

Steven Sforza, Brentwood Police Department, extension for certification

Teighlar Hendrick, Haverhill Police Department, medical extension for fitness testing

Motion by Mr. Lecius, seconded by Judge Gardner, to approve the consent calendar, including the addendums.

Sheriff Connelly took the roll call vote.

Sheriff Massahos	yes
Chief Ho-Sing-Loy	yes
Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	yes
Mr. Jason Bishop	yes
Colonel Noyes	yes
Commissioner Hanks	yes
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

At 9:50 a.m. the Council members adjourned for the purpose of a non-meeting with their attorney, Assistant Attorney General Jill Perlow; members that were attending via Zoom moved to the nonpublic Zoom platform.

At 10:13 a.m. Council members returned to the meeting.

Chris Collman, PSTC Program and On-Line Learning Coordinator joined the meeting by Zoom.

Benchmark Review

Director Scippa introduced Lt. Adam Hawkins and Mr. Robert “Chris” Collman to the Council.

Lt. Hawkins and Mr. Collman summarized PSTC’s new case management and training management system software package to the Council members.

The new system will enable New Hampshire law enforcement agencies access to their own training records, give them the ability to submit employment status forms, applications for academies, as well as viewing their status in ongoing requirements such as three-year fitness tests and instructor certifications.

Council members thanked Lt. Hawkins and Mr. Collman for the hard work and diligence to initiate and implement the new system, which will go online later in the summer.

Chief Janet Champlin – Presentation of Plaque - Frances Glessner Lee

Chief Champlin (Ret.) attended today’s meeting and asked to present a plaque to honor Ms. Frances Glessner Lee (March 25, 1878 – January 27, 1962). Frances Glessner Lee was an American forensic scientist, a New Hampshire resident, and New Hampshire State Police Captain. She was influential in developing the science of forensics in the United States.

Motion to adjourn at 10:55 a.m. by Dr. Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Hanks

Sheriff Connelly took the roll call vote.

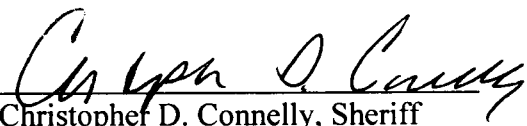
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Judge Countway	yes
Judge Gardner	yes
Chief Russo	yes
Maureen Sullivan	yes
Mr. Ed Lecius	yes
DAG Young	yes
Mr. Jason Bishop	yes
Colonel Noyes	yes
Commissioner Hanks	yes
Chairman, Sheriff Connelly	yes

The motion passed.

The next Council meeting will be held on June 22, 2021.

June 22, 2021

Respectfully Submitted


Christopher D. Connelly, Sheriff
Chairman