

Connecticut General Assembly

Police Transparency & Accountability Task Force

Daryl McGraw, Co-Chairperson



c/o Judiciary Committee, Room 2500
Legislative Office Building
300 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, Ct 06106

Minutes

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

1:00 p.m., via Zoom

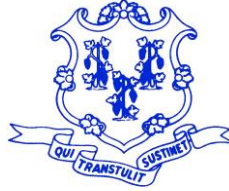
Members: Chair McGraw, Chief Wright, Rev. Cousin, Dep. Chief Vargas-Silver, Undersecretary Pelka, Com. Rovella, Chief Kulhawik, Chief State's Atty. Colangelo, Sgt Szewczyk (retired), Jon Slifka, Chief Mello
Others: CT-N, Henri Alphonse, Ken Barone, Andrew Clark

- I.** Convene meeting and welcome
 - a. *Chair convened the meeting at 1:04 pm.*
- II.** Review and acceptance of minutes from the 8/25/20 meeting
 - a. *Minutes were approved via voice vote*
- III.** Logistics Subcommittee proposal regarding Inspector General
 - a. *Logistics Chair Hall is unable to join due to work schedule. Ken Barone presented on the handout sent to members, that had been approved via consensus by the Logistics Subcommittee. Two specific recommendations: 1) a broader pool of candidates and 2) if not able to be done immediately, then the subcommittee recommends changing the implementation date until April 1, 2021.*
 - i. *Question: would the legislature need to act on this? A: yes, the law would need to be changed.*
 - ii. *Question: how should we submit the recommendation, if agreed upon by members?*
 - b. *After a discussion, members agreed to reserve action on this item until a future meeting.*
- IV.** Subcommittee Updates
 - a. Improving Police Interactions with Disability Community (Chair Slifka)
 - i. *Heard from POSTC trainer Karen Boisvert as to training officers involved with interactions with individuals from the disability community.*
 - b. Logistics (Ken Barone)
 - i. *Short term: decertification, liability insurance, qualified immunity sections of the bill. Meeting every other Tuesday at 5pm. Working with CBA task force in forming recommendations. Question: does liability insurance exist elsewhere? A: the subcommittee is looking into this.*

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- c. Public Awareness (Chair McGraw)
 - i. *The subcommittee met this morning and debriefed on the listening sessions. Members agreed to continue the sessions with youth and the disability community. A report on the sessions will be forthcoming. Next meeting is October 13 at 11am.*
- V. Announcement of time and date of next meeting
 - a. Proposed date/time change to accommodate member schedule
 - i. *Ken Barone suggested to try and accommodate Chair Hall's schedule. After a brief discussion, the last Tuesday at 1pm will remain until further notice, while an alternative date/time is more fully considered.*
- VI. Adjournment
 - a. *The meeting was adjourned at 1:48pm.*

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