

## State of New Hampshire

POLICE STANDARDS & TRAINING COUNCIL
NH LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCREDITATION COMMISSION
Arthur D. Kehas

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#### **Public Minutes**

#### **NH Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission Meeting**

#### August 28, 2024

NH Police Standard & Training
Arthur D. Kehas Law Enforcement Training Facility and Campus
17 Institute Drive
Concord, NH 03301

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Microsoft Teams

1. Call to Order and Roll Call: At 1:00 pm Commission Vice Chair Chief (Ret.) Ace called the meeting to order.

Commission Chair: Chief Anthony King Stratham Police Department – Absent

Commission Vice Chair: Chief (Ret.) Ron Ace present – in person

Commission Secretary: Chief Mark Chase Center Harbor Police Department present – in person

Commission member: Sheriff Eli Rivera Cheshire County Sheriff's Office – Absent

Commission member: Director John Scippa NH Police Standards & Training present – in person

PST Designee: Captain Adam Hawkins NH Police Standards & Training present – in

person

Commission member: Senator Sharon Carson NH Senate – Absent

Commission member: Representative Terry Roy NH House present – in person arrived at 1:17

pm

Commission member: Dr. Jeffrey Czarnec SNHU present – in person

Commission member: Chief Anne Perriello Pelham Police Department present – in person

Commission member: Attorney General John Formella NHDOJ – Absent

DOJ Designee: Senior Assistant Attorney General Matthew Broadhead NHDOJ present

in person

Staff Present: Attorney Stacie Moeser PST (Board Counsel) present – via zoom

Lieutenant Sonya Robicheau PST present - in person

Rick Stillman Program Manager/Dirigo Safety present – in person

Public Present: None

2. Acceptance of Public Meeting Minutes: The approval of the August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting will be postponed until the next regularly scheduled meeting since all present had not had the opportunity to review them.



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- 3. <u>PST Updates:</u> Lt. Robicheau reported that she is enrolled in online Accreditation Manager training and observed in the mock assessment of the Exeter Police Department. She met with Bill Pease who is the Nashua Accreditation Manager and offers a wealth of experience in accreditation and is valuable recourse.
- 4. Program Manager Updates: Program Manager Stillman reported that 5 NH assessors and 5 assessors from NNEPAC will conduct a mock assessment at the Derry Police Department on September 19, 2024. Presentations have been given to the Carroll County, Coos County and Merrimack County Chiefs of Police Associations on the accreditation program. The first two Program Manager training courses for departments will be on September 20, 2024, at PST and on October 15, 2024, at the Portsmouth Police Department. Handouts were given (see attached) on the specific NH standards that CALEA agencies will need to meet if they wish to have dual accreditation. CALEA Tier 1 agencies would need to meet 12 NH Standards and Tier 2 would need to meet 8 specific standards. There was discussion of a pathway for these agencies and how they would demonstrate compliance to the NH Standards and that they are still in compliance with CALEA if granted a pathway. Further research is needed prior to approving this option, and SAAG Broadhead and Attorney Moeser will work on a draft motion for the Commission's consideration. Program Manager Stillman and Lt. Robicheau would like to have a booth at the NH Municipal Association Annual Conference on October 30, 2024. A motion was made by Director Scippa and seconded by Chief Perriello to approve \$550.00 for the booth. The motion passed unanimously.
- <u>SB362-FN relative to Body Worn Cameras:</u> Chief King created and previously provided a thorough working document for the Commission (see attached). There was discussion on the prosecutor's obligation to provide discovery and the restrictions on the release of BWC footage. Specifically, on what happens to the control of the footage once it is release to a defense attorney or an unrepresented defendant. SAAG Broadhead reported that the AG's Office did release a memorandum providing guidance on the statue and the exceptions that apply. Representative Roy spoke to the privacy concerns of victims, witnesses and juveniles and ensuring investigations are not compromised. It was also noted that while there is a statue that speaks specifically to BWC's it does not speak to cruiser cameras which could capture similar information. Lt. Robicheau questioned if BWC footage could be used for proofs during the accreditation process as a "law enforcement purpose." The Commission agreed with Chief Perriello's assessment that it could be as it was for a law enforcement purpose as along as the appropriate redactions were utilized. SAAG Broadhead and Attorney Moeser will work on a draft commission report based on the working document for the Commission's consideration at the next meeting.
- 6. Standards Sub-Committee Report: None.
- **7.** Old Business: None.



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- 8. New Business: None
- 9. (NONPUBLIC SESSION) Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3: None
- **10.** Meeting schedule / next meeting: The next Commission meeting will be at:

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September 17, 2024, at 10:00 am and by Microsoft Teams

Adjournment: The meeting disbanded at 2:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Chief Mark C. Chase