

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION

POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS & TRAINING

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POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL - CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 24, 2025

11:00 A.M.

ZOOM

<https://ctdespp.zoom.us/j/81308228956>

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members Present: Chief Vernon Riddick, Chief Neil Dryfe, Captain Ryan Maynard, Chief Scott Sansom

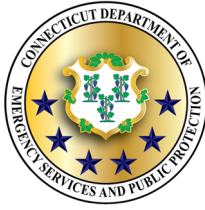
Other Attendees: Lois Pisani, Michael Francis, Jessica Blank, Jennie Rivera, David Silverio, Karen Boisvert, Brian Budd, Jessica Gouveia

CALL TO ORDER

Chief Riddick at 11:00 AM.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.



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NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Comparative Certification

- a. Abdullah Mahmud – Danbury Police Department
 - i. From New York Police Department, NY
- b. Ali Biyik – New London Police Department
 - i. From New York Police Department
- c. Edward Lajoie – Stamford Police Department
 - i. From Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, NV
- d. Kyle Klein – Wilton Police Department
 - i. From Athens Clarke County Police Department, GA

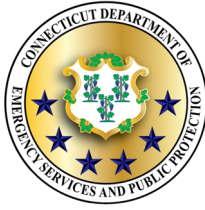
Motion is made to move items 1.a through 1.d forward to full Council. Motion is made and second¹; no discussion; no abstentions; motion granted.

2. Request for Extension – Probationary Candidate Status

- a. Andres Castro – Stamford Police Department
- b. Daniel Vitali – Stamford Police Department
- c. John Antonelli – Stamford Police Department
- d. John Carr – Stamford Police Department
- e. Joseph Fusco – Connecticut State Police
- f. Kevin Poruban – Newtown Police Department
- g. Mario Maiorana – Simsbury Police Department
- h. Nathan-Craig Machado – New Haven Police Department
- i. Samuel Verkaik – Stamford Police Department
- j. Saraphina Duperval – New Britain Police Department

Motion is made to move items 2.a through 2.c and 2.e through 2.j forward to full Council. Motion is made by Captain Maynard; seconded by Chief Sansom; motion is granted. Captain Maynard abstained from item 2.e.

¹ Recording of meeting was delayed and therefore these meeting minutes do not reflect which member made the motion and which member seconded the motion.



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Discussion is had as to whether deviation from General Notice 92-01 is permissible. Atty. Jessica Gouveia states that Council may deviate from the policy. Atty. Gouveia also states policy should be updated to reflect any changes to it.

Discussion is had. Chief Tim Shaw would like to address POST Council at full Council meeting on 5/8/25 with regard to item 2.d.

Motion to Table item 2.d made by Chief Dryfe; seconded by Chief Sansom. Motion granted. No abstentions.

Request for Basic Training Academy

- k. Law Enforcement Council (Eastern Region Police Academy)
- l. New Haven Police Academy

Motion is made to move items 3.a and 3.b forward to full Council. Motion is made by Chief Dryfe; seconded by Chief Sansom; motion is granted. No abstentions.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Next Certification Committee Meeting: Thursday, June 26, 2025