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Program Overview

The New York State Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Program aims to provide law enforcement executives of eligible police departments and sheriffs' offices formal recognition of their compliance with 112 professional standards that focus on administration (51), operations (49), and training (12). To obtain accreditation, an agency must develop and implement policies and procedures that comply with all 112 standards.

The program standards, developed by New York State law enforcement professionals and approved by the Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council, are designed to enhance the effectiveness, efficiency and professionalism of an agency, promote training and foster public confidence in law enforcement. Accreditation demonstrates that the agency performs in a consistently professional manner, has formalized policies in place to govern its operational practices and procedures, and that its employees contribute to the agency's mission and know what is expected of them.

Participation in the Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Program, established by the state in 1989, is voluntary. Executives who want their agencies to participate must submit an application and a participation agreement to the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS). Once an agency has applied, policies and procedures that are aligned with the program standards must be developed. This process typically takes between six months to two years, depending on the staff time devoted to the project and the number of policies that must be revised and/or developed to meet the program standards.

When an agency's executive is confident that the agency can adequately demonstrate compliance with every standard, an assessment is conducted. Assessments occur on-site at the agency and are performed by three assessors who spend three days reviewing the agency's written directives and accompanying documentation, conducting interviews and making observations within the agency. If the assessors determine that the agency has demonstrated compliance with all program standards, they submit a written report detailing the specifics of the assessment to the Council, along with a recommendation that the agency be awarded accreditation.

Agencies are accredited for five years and during that time they must maintain compliance with all program standards. Maintaining compliance is determined, in part, by site visits conducted by accreditation program staff from DCJS and the agency's submission of an Annual Compliance Survey, which is a progress report intended to ensure that any lapses in compliance are immediately identified and remedied. The process occurs every five years for agencies seeking to remain accredited; the Council grants reaccreditation after agencies demonstrate that they have maintained compliance with the program standards.

The Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council

The Council is the governing body for the program as established through New York State Executive Law §846-h. The Council develops and approves program standards and adopts policies that determine how the program is administered. It also has the sole authority to award accreditation to an agency. The Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council meets quarterly; meeting minutes from 2024 are in Appendix C.

The Professional Policing Act of 2021 amended Executive Law §846-h and the Council's composition. The law requires the Council to have 19 members appointed by the Governor, with the exception of two ex-officio members: the New York State Police superintendent and the New York City Police Department commissioner.

The following organizations must nominate members for gubernatorial consideration: the New York State Association of Chiefs of Police (two); New York State Sheriffs' Association (two); the New York State Deputies Association (one); police labor organizations (two); New York State Association of Towns (one); New York State Conference of Mayors (one); New York State Association of Counties (one); the New York State Senate and Assembly (one each); and the academic community (one). The council also must have an incumbent police chief or police commissioner from a police department consisting of more than 100 officers (one); incumbent sheriff from an agency with more than 100 deputy sheriffs (one); a representative of victims of crime (one); and a representative from a community with high numbers of police and community interactions (one).

DCJS Office of Public Safety

DCJS is the agency responsible for administering the Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Program under Title 9 Part 6035 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York. Members of the Accreditation Unit within the agency's Office of Public Safety administer the day-to-day activities of the program in accordance with statute and the policies set forth by the Council. They also provide a significant amount of assistance to program staff of accredited and applicant agencies.

Council Support

Accreditation Unit staff members provide all professional and administrative support to the Council. They coordinate the Council's quarterly meetings: preparing agendas, compiling information related to matters up for a vote and informing the Council about updates or potential issues with the program. Accreditation Unit staff members also review Council policies for accuracy and relevance; revise those policies when necessary; and draft new policies based on program needs.

The unit ensures that Council meetings follow the state's open meetings laws, including arranging for the video recording of meetings so they are available to the public, and preparing and distributing meeting minutes in a timely manner.

Agency Support

Accreditation Unit staff members offer technical assistance and support to agencies pursuing or maintaining accreditation by explaining the standards; aiding in program development; providing feedback on agency policies; and offering guidance on how to best demonstrate compliance with the standards. They also assist agencies in overcoming obstacles to become accredited and work with accredited agencies to help ensure ongoing compliance with program standards.

Unit staff members work with agency program staff to determine an agency's readiness for assessment; select assessors for each assignment; handle all logistics to ensure the agency and the assessors are prepared for the assessment; and monitor the progress of the on-site assessment. Accreditation Unit staff strive to assist every agency in being successfully accredited and in maintaining that designation.

Accreditation Unit staff members visit every accredited agency at least once during the period of accreditation. These site visits are designed to ensure agencies are maintaining compliance with the program and to identify agencies that are facing challenges with compliance. When necessary, unit staff require corrective action plans for agencies that are struggling to maintain compliance and staff will provide enhanced technical assistance so agencies can return to compliance. Staff members conducted 101 site visits in 2024.

Finally, in addition to regular technical assistance, accreditation unit staff develop, coordinate and deliver trainings for agency program managers, command staff and program assessors.

Assessors

Individuals interested in becoming assessors must apply for those positions through a request for applications issued by DCJS about every five years, and each assessor must be vetted by unit staff and approved by the Council. Applicants must demonstrate that they have the necessary experience, either through the direct management of their agency's accreditation program, or through direct supervision of individuals who manage the program. Once approved by the Council, DCJS contracts with individuals, who must attend a day-long training session prior to being considered for assignment to an assessment team. Individuals selected as assessors also receive additional training by being partnered with the program's most experienced assessors during their first few assignments.

DCJS added six assessors in 2024, bringing the number of active assessors to 99.

Program Participation

As noted, the Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Program is voluntary. At the end of 2024, 184 agencies were accredited, about 35 percent of the state's 532 eligible law enforcement agencies. Accredited agencies in the state employ over two-thirds of all police officers and sheriffs' deputies who work outside of New York City. The number of accredited agencies has increased annually since 2008. (See page 5 for additional details).

Accredited Agency Activity in 2024

The Council awarded accreditation for the first time to ten agencies: three agencies each at its March and September meetings and two agencies each at the June and December meetings. The Council reaccredited a total of 32 agencies at its quarterly meetings in March, June, September and December. (Please see Appendix A for a list of accredited agencies. Please see Appendix C for meeting minutes.)

Applicant Agencies

At the end of 2024, 51 agencies were working toward accreditation, with nine of them scheduled to undergo their initial assessments in 2025. Applications for accreditation have increased by more than 150 percent over the previous five-year period following Executive Order 203, also known as the New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative, and the Professional Policing Act of 2021. (Please see Appendix B for a list of applicant agencies.)

In 2024, 224 agencies were either accredited or actively working toward accreditation.

Withdrawn or Expired Agencies

None

NUMBER OF ACCREDITED AGENCIES: 2015 – 2024



2024 Program Updates

Implementation of the December 2024 versions of the Standards and Compliance Verification Manual

The Council approved one new standard, which was added to the program's Standards and Compliance Verification Manual: Standard 1.3 Accreditation Program Manager Training.

The new standard will ensure that all agency personnel who are assigned as program managers have the proper training and are equipped with the necessary tools to successfully manage the New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Program. Newly assigned program managers will have one year to complete the requisite training.

Accreditation Unit staff notified all accredited agencies that they were required to comply with updates to the manual within 90 days of publication. To help ensure agencies had sufficient information to meet the deadline, staff compiled and distributed detailed, step-by-step guidance on policy amendments to meet new and revised standards. Staff also provided guidance on restructuring program files to reflect the new verification strategies. Additional Accreditation Program training sessions are being scheduled to ensure agencies have ample opportunities to gain compliance with the new standard.

Accreditation Unit staff visited sites to verify that agencies had successfully met the new standard and to provide technical assistance to agencies needing assistance to meet the new requirements. Verification continues, and staff added a section to the Annual Compliance Survey that addressed the new standards.

Mandatory Certification Process

The Council and Accreditation Unit staff developed a mandatory certification process to ensure that all police agencies conform to hiring standards prescribed by the New York State Municipal Police Training Council, as required by the Professional Policing Act of 2021. That law also requires village, town, city and county police agencies to comply with reporting requirements to the Central State Registry of Police and Peace Officers, which is administered by DCJS, and to report police officer misconduct.

The mandatory certification process allows the state to oversee compliance with all required hiring and reporting standards. The law gives the Council the sole authority to certify, revoke or withhold certification, which police agencies that are covered by the law were required to obtain by October 16, 2023. An agency's failure to achieve and maintain compliance with these standards may result in the Council withholding or revoking certification, which affects the agency's ability to employ police officers under state Criminal Procedure Law Section 1.20 (34).

Training

The Accreditation Unit offered three in-person law enforcement program training sessions attended by 88 program managers, chief law enforcement officials, command staff, assessors and other agency staff.

Plans for 2025

- Staff will coordinate assessments for 31 agencies due to have their accreditation expire in 2025 and six agencies that are scheduled to be assessed for their first accreditation.

- Accreditation Unit staff will offer a minimum of four accreditation program trainings during the year.
- Accreditation Unit staff will continue its work to expand participation in the program by promoting the benefits of accreditation while ensuring that agencies receive the technical assistance and support necessary to achieve and maintain accredited status.
- Accreditation Unit staff will prepare to commence a comprehensive program review, encompassing all aspects of the accreditation program and all program standards. Staff will survey the field for feedback and assemble a panel of subject matter experts to conduct the review.
- Staff will work with the Accreditation Council to carry out the mandatory certification program; conduct assessments; and provide technical assistance and support to agencies that are required to achieve and maintain certification under the Professional Policing Act of 2021.

Conclusion

The New York State Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Program continues to be a source of great pride for the more than 36,000 law enforcement professionals employed by accredited law enforcement agencies. The Council and the Accreditation Unit are committed to the integrity and longevity of the program, through continuous evaluation and enhancement, to ensure that it meets the ever-changing needs of law enforcement professionals throughout New York State.

Appendix A

List of Accredited Agencies

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Accredited Agencies Through 12/31/2024

AGENCY NAME	SWORN MEMBERS	DATE ACCREDITED	DATE REACCREDITED	EXPIRATION YEAR
Albany City Police Department	398	12/9/1999	12/5/2024	2029
Albany County Sheriff's Office	112	3/4/2003	3/9/2023	2028
Amherst Town Police Department	155	3/12/1992	6/2/2022	2027
Amityville Village Police Department	27	6/13/2024		2029
Ardsley Village Police Department	18	3/9/2023		2028
Auburn City Police Department	66	12/7/2023		2028
Beacon City Police Department	31	9/2/2010	9/3/2020	2025
Bedford Town Police Department	36	9/15/1999	9/12/2024	2029
Bethlehem Town Police Department	33	9/20/1990	9/3/2020	2025
Binghamton City Police Department	133	6/3/1993	6/8/2023	2028
Blooming Grove Town Police Department	20	9/2/2021		2026
Brighton Town Police Department	44	9/5/1991	9/2/2021	2026
Brockport Village Police Department	15	12/2/2004	12/5/2024	2029
Broome County Sheriff's Office	227	10/23/2001	9/2/2021	2026
Buffalo City Police Department	746	6/6/2019	6/5/2024	2029
Camillus Town & Village Police Department	32	3/12/1998	6/8/2023	2028
Canandaigua City Police Department	28	3/4/2010	3/5/2020	2025
Canton Village Police Department	11	12/16/1993	12/5/2024	2029
Catskill Village Police Department	16	3/5/2009	3/7/2024	2029
Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office	164	12/4/2008	12/7/2023	2028
Centre Island Village Police Department	6	9/8/2016	9/2/2021	2026
Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office	151	9/12/2002	9/8/2022	2027
Cheektowaga Town Police Department	120	6/2/1994	6/6/2024	2029
Chemung County Sheriff's Office	44	3/4/2010	3/5/2020	2025
Chenango County Sheriff's Office	29	12/9/1999	12/5/2024	2029
Cicero Town Police Department	21	6/5/2003	6/8/2023	2028
Clarkstown Town Police Department	160	6/4/1998	6/8/2023	2028
Colonie Town Police Department	109	12/8/1994	12/5/2024	2029
Columbia County Sheriff's Office	85	9/13/2007	9/8/2022	2027
Cornwall Town Police Department	11	9/8/2005	9/3/2020	2025
Cortland City Police Department	43	12/8/2016	3/10/2022	2027
Crawford Town Police Department	22	6/6/2024		2029
Delaware County Sheriff's Office	20	3/4/2010	3/5/2020	2025
DeWitt Town Police Department	10	6/4/1998	6/8/2023	2028
Dobbs Ferry Village Police Department	27	3/24/1994	3/7/2024	2029
Dutchess County Sheriff's Office	133	12/4/1997	6/8/2023	2028
East Fishkill Town Police Department	25	9/8/1992	3/10/2022	2027
East Greenbush Town Police Department	25	12/7/2017	12/8/2022	2024
East Hampton Town Police Department	64	3/12/1992	6/2/2022	2026
East Hampton Village Police Department	29	3/5/2009	3/7/2024	2025
East Rochester Village Police Department	17	6/10/2004	6/6/2024	2026
Eastchester Town Police Department	49	6/18/2015	6/6/2020	2025
Elmira City Police Department	69	12/6/2001	12/2/2021	2026
Endicott Village Police Department	31	12/6/1990	12/3/2020	2025
Erie County Sheriff's Office	226	6/13/2013	6/8/2023	2028
Evans Town Police Department	22	12/5/1991	12/2/2021	2026
Fairport Village Police Department	10	12/5/1996	12/2/2021	2026
Fulton County Sheriff's Office	37	9/12/2024		2025
Gates Town Police Department	37	3/12/1992	3/10/2022	2027
Geddes Town Police Department	20	9/12/2001	12/2/2021	2026

Genesee County Sheriff's Office	51	12/7/2000	12/3/2020	2025
Geneseo Village Police Department	14	6/2/2016	6/3/2021	2026
Geneva City Police Department	33	3/9/2006	3/4/2021	2026
Glens Falls City Police Department	29	3/3/2016	3/4/2021	2026
Gloversville City Police Department	33	12/7/2017	3/9/2023	2028
Greece Town Police Department	106	3/24/1994	6/6/2024	2029
Greenburgh Town Police Department	110	3/4/2003	3/9/2023	2028
Greene County Sheriff's Office	58	3/4/2021		2026
Greenwood Lake Village Police Department	17	12/7/2023		2028
Guilderland Town Police Department	40	9/3/2009	9/12/2024	2029
Hamburg Town Police Department	68	3/7/2024		2025
Harriman Village Police Department	11	12/13/2012	12/8/2022	2027
Harrison Town Police Department	71	6/11/2009	6/6/2024	2029
Hastings-on-Hudson Village Police Department	21	3/9/2023		2028
Haverstraw Town Police Department	67	6/18/2015	6/6/2020	2025
Hudson City Police Department	23	6/10/1999	6/6/2024	2029
Hudson Falls Village Police Department	19	3/24/1994	3/7/2024	2029
Huntington Bay Village Police Department	13	6/5/2008	6/8/2023	2028
Irondequoit Town Police Department	48	12/5/1991	12/2/2021	2026
Johnson City Village Police Department	39	9/12/1996	9/2/2021	2026
Kingston City Police Department	73	12/8/1990	12/3/2020	2025
Lancaster Town Police Department	53	9/7/2017	9/8/2022	2027
Liberty Village Police Department	17	3/7/2024		2029
Liverpool Village Police Department	9	6/14/2001	6/3/2021	2026
Livingston County Sheriff's Office	159	12/4/1997	12/8/2022	2027
Lockport City Police Department	49	6/2/2022		2027
Macedon Town Police Department	12	3/10/2022		2027
Madison County Sheriff's Office	47	9/5/2019	9/12/2024	2029
Mamaroneck Town Police Department	36	12/5/2024		2029
Mamaroneck Village Police Department	50	12/7/2023		2028
Manlius Town Police Department	45	9/12/1996	9/2/2021	2026
Metro. Trans. Authority Police Department	1008	3/3/2016	3/4/2021	2026
Middletown City Police Department	70	12/13/2007	12/8/2022	2027
Monroe County Sheriff's Office	342	3/12/1992	3/10/2022	2027
Monroe Village Police Department	23	6/13/2001	6/3/2021	2026
Montgomery County Sheriff's Office	46	12/13/2018	12/7/2023	2028
Mount Pleasant Town Police Department	43	9/24/1998	9/14/2023	2028
Mount Vernon City Police Department	184	3/9/1995	3/7/2024	2029
New Castle Town Police Department	38	3/15/2005	3/5/2020	2025
New Rochelle City Police Department	159	6/3/1993	6/8/2023	2028
New Windsor Town Police Department	49	6/12/1996	6/3/2021	2026
New York State Police	4982	2/21/1990	3/5/2020	2025
New Paltz Town & Village Police Department	27	4/2/2018	3/9/2023	2028
Niagara County Sheriff's Office	118	3/8/2001	3/4/2021	2026
Niagara Falls City Police Department	146	9/4/2003	9/14/2023	2028
Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority	93	9/12/2024	9/12/2024	2029
North Castle Town Police Department	33	12/7/2000	12/3/2020	2025
North Greenbush Town Police Department	18	12/13/2007	12/8/2022	2027
North Syracuse Village Police Department	17	6/18/2015	6/6/2020	2025
Ogden Town Police Department	14	9/5/1991	9/2/2021	2026
Old Westbury Village Police Department	25	6/18/2015	6/6/2020	2025
Oneida County Sheriff's Office	136	12/14/2006	12/2/2021	2026
Oneonta City Police Department	25	12/18/2014	12/5/2024	2029

Onondaga County Sheriff's Office	254	9/24/1998	9/14/2023	2028
Ontario County Sheriff's Office	96	6/3/1993	6/8/2023	2028
Orange County Sheriff's Office	161	12/8/2005	12/3/2020	2025
Orangetown Town Police Department	77	3/13/2007	3/10/2022	2027
Ossining Village Police Department	57	9/2/2004	9/12/2024	2029
Oswego City Police Department	49	9/4/2003	9/14/2023	2028
Oswego County Sheriff's Office	86	9/18/2014	9/12/2024	2029
Peekskill City Police Department	49	9/3/2009	9/12/2024	2029
Poughkeepsie Town Police Department	86	3/1/2011	3/4/2021	2026
Putnam County Sheriff's Office	87	12/5/2024		2026
Quogue Village Police Department	19	6/11/2009	6/6/2024	2029
Ramapo Town Police Department	105	6/10/2004	6/6/2024	2029
Rensselaer City Police Department	28	6/3/1993	6/8/2023	2028
Riverhead Town Police Department	89	6/7/2011	6/3/2021	2026
Rochester City Police Department	714	2/21/1990	3/5/2020	2025
Rockland County Sheriff's Office	155	3/6/2008	3/9/2023	2028
Rockville Centre Police Department	54	3/12/1998	3/9/2023	2028
Rome City Police Department	85	12/4/2003	12/7/2023	2028
Rotterdam Town Police Department	40	12/6/2001	12/2/2021	2026
Rye Brook Village Police Department	28	6/18/2015	6/6/2020	2025
Rye City Police Department	36	9/24/1998	9/14/2023	2028
Saratoga County Sheriff's Office	153	12/13/1993	12/7/2023	2028
Saratoga Springs City Police Department	72	12/7/2023		2028
Saugerties Town Police Department	37	12/5/2013	12/7/2023	2028
Scarsdale Village Police Department	46	9/20/1990	9/3/2020	2025
Schenectady City Police Department	151	9/3/2020		2025
Schenectady County Sheriff's Office	25	12/8/2022		2027
Seneca County Sheriff's Office	50	3/2/2011	3/4/2021	2026
Seneca Falls Town Police Department	18	9/18/2014	9/12/2024	2029
Shelter Island Town Police Department	9	6/11/2009	6/6/2024	2029
Solvay Village Police Department	15	3/4/2003	3/9/2023	2028
Southampton Town Police Department	112	9/24/1998	9/14/2023	2028
Southampton Village Police Department	34	9/9/1993	9/14/2023	2028
St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office	17	9/3/2020		2025
Stony Point Town Police Department	29	6/5/2003	6/8/2023	2028
Suffern Village Police Department	25	12/3/2009	12/5/2024	2029
Suffolk County Police Department	2413	6/2/2005	6/6/2020	2025
Suffolk County Sheriff's Office	240	9/13/2012	9/8/2022	2027
SUNY Albany University Police	39	6/7/2011	6/3/2021	2026
SUNY Alfred University Police	13	6/14/2012	6/2/2022	2027
SUNY Binghamton University Police	35	12/5/2019	12/5/2024	2029
SUNY Brockport University Police	16	12/13/2018	12/7/2023	2028
SUNY Buffalo State University Police	26	6/14/2012	6/2/2022	2027
SUNY Buffalo University Police	61	12/13/2007	12/8/2022	2027
SUNY Canton University Police	10	12/7/2023		2028
SUNY Cobleskill University Police	10	6/2/2016	6/3/2021	2026
SUNY Cortland University Police	19	3/2/2011	3/4/2021	2026
SUNY Fredonia University Police	12	3/20/2014	3/7/2024	2029
SUNY Geneseo University Police	15	3/19/2015	3/5/2020	2025
SUNY New Paltz University Police	19	4/2/2018	3/9/2023	2028
SUNY Oneonta University Police	15	6/14/2012	6/2/2022	2027
SUNY Potsdam University Police	10	6/2/2016	6/3/2021	2026
SUNY Stony Brook University Police	70	12/2/2010	12/3/2020	2025

Syracuse City Police Department	397	9/17/1992	12/8/2022	2027
Tarrytown Village Police Department	33	12/7/2023		2028
Tioga County Sheriff's Office	36	6/4/1998	6/8/2023	2028
Tompkins County Sheriff's Office	43	9/12/2024		2029
Tonawanda City Police Department	27	12/5/1991	12/2/2021	2026
Tonawanda Town Police Department	99	9/9/1993	9/14/2023	2028
Troy City Police Department	131	12/7/2000	12/3/2020	2025
Tuckahoe Village Police Department	23	9/12/2002	9/8/2022	2027
Ulster County Sheriff's Office	87	12/10/1992	12/8/2022	2027
Ulster Town Police Department	24	6/6/2002	6/2/2022	2027
Utica City Police Department	161	9/2/2010	9/3/2020	2025
Vestal Town Police Department	38	3/12/1992	12/2/2021	2026
Wallkill Town Police Department	63	3/7/2024		2029
Warren County Sheriff's Office	91	9/20/1990	9/3/2020	2025
Warwick Town Police Department	39	3/9/2023		2028
Washington County Sheriff's Office	52	3/8/2007	3/10/2022	2027
Waterford Town & Village Police Department	9	9/2/2010	9/3/2020	2025
Waterloo Village Police Department	16	3/9/2023		2028
Watertown City Police Department	62	12/10/1998	12/7/2023	2028
Wayne County Sheriff's Office	82	12/7/2017	12/8/2022	2027
Webster Town Police Department	34	3/11/1999	3/7/2024	2029
West Seneca Town Police Department	59	9/9/1993	9/14/2023	2028
Westchester County Department of Public Safety	276	12/10/1992	12/8/2022	2027
White Plains Department of Public Safety	205	2/21/1990	3/6/2025	2030
Woodbury Town Police Department	43	6/2/1994	6/6/2024	2029
Yates County Sheriff's Office	28	12/8/2005	12/3/2020	2025
Yonkers City Police Department	608	9/4/2003	9/14/2023	2028
Yorktown Town Police Department	63	9/5/1991	9/2/2021	2026

Appendix B

List of Applicant Agencies

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Applicant Agencies Through 12/31/2024

AGENCY NAME	SWORN MEMBERS	APPLICATION DATE
Amityville Village Police Department	26	6/13/2024
Batavia City Police Department	29	6/10/2020
Carmel Town Police Department	31	4/2/2024
Chatham Village Police Department	17	9/12/2023
Clinton County Sheriff's Office	24	5/10/2021
Crawford Town Police Department	22	4/2/2024
Croton-on-Hudson Village Police Department	19	11/16/2022
Dunkirk City Police Department	37	1/16/2024
Fishkill Town Police Department	44	7/24/2020
Floral Park Village Police Department	35	7/29/2021
Fulton City Police Department	35	3/12/2021
Fulton County Sheriff's Office	37	9/12/2024
Glenville Town Police Department	22	3/27/2023
Hamburg Town Police Department	68	1/24/2024
Head of the Harbor Village Police Department	22	9/27/2023
Hempstead Village Police Department	125	2/10/2022
Irvington Village Police Department	24	7/23/2021
Ithaca City Police Department	60	6/15/2022
Jamestown City Police Department	57	1/4/2021
Kenmore Village Police Department	25	6/5/2021
Larchmont Village Police Department	24	4/29/2022
Liberty Village Police Department	17	3/7/2024
Mamaroneck Town Police Department	36	1/11/2024
Menands Village Police Department	16	12/19/2024
Millerton Village Police Department	9	3/12/2021
Montgomery Village Police Department	17	7/1/2021
Nassau County Police Department	2374	9/30/2020
Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority	93	9/12/2024
Niskayuna Town Police Department	29	3/12/2024
Oneida City Police Department	30	7/27/2021
Palmyra Village Police Department	6	12/18/2024
Piermont Village Police Department	12	10/25/2023
Plattsburgh City Police Department	43	10/19/2022
Pleasantville Village Police Department	22	4/7/2022
Port Jervis City Police Department	38	1/17/2023
Poughkeepsie City Police Department	86	10/12/2021
Putnam County Sheriff's Office	87	5/12/2024
Southold Town Police Department	57	8/4/2024
SUNY Farmingdale University Police	24	7/28/2021
SUNY Old Westbury University Police	19	3/12/2023
SUNY Oswego University Police	19	1/7/2022

SUNY Plattsburgh University Police	15	8/16/2021
Tompkins County Sheriff's Office	43	9/12/2024
Tuxedo Park Village Police Department	24	9/20/2023
Tuxedo Town Police Department	12	11/27/2024
Walden Village Police Department	20	2/24/2021
Wallkill Town Police Department	63	3/7/2024
Wappingers Falls Village Police Department	15	8/9/2023
Westhampton Beach Village Police Department	20	10/18/2023
Woodstock Town Police Department	23	12/1/2021
Wyoming County Sheriff's Office	38	3/19/2022

Appendix C

2024 Minutes of the
Law Enforcement Accreditation Council



Minutes of the 138th Meeting held on March 7, 2024

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Rosado called the 138th meeting of the council to order at 10:01 a.m. on March 7th, 2024. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Commissioner Rosado asked for a moment of silence to honor the members of law enforcement and the armed services who have died in the line of duty.

2. Roll Call

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sheriff Robert Maciol - Oneida County Sheriff's Office
Martin Floss, Ph.D. - Hilbert College - Criminal Justice Faculty Team Advisor
Chief Deputy Leighton Filiatralt - St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office
Chief Martin Flatley - Southold Town Police Department
Detective (ret.) Michelle Randall-Williams - New York City Police Department
Sheriff Todd Baxter - Monroe County Sheriff's Office
Sheriff Michael Filicetti - Niagara County Sheriff's Office
Chief Olufunmilola Obe - New York City Police Department
Chief Eric Hawkins - Albany City Police Department
Director William Rivera - Opportunities for Otsego, Inc.
Rev. Dr. Marlowe Washington - Agape Fellowship United Methodist Church
Deputy Superintendent Colonel Daniel Cooney - New York State Police

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chief Gregory Austin - Rye Brook Village Police Department

3. Introductions

DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES STAFF

Rossana Rosado – Commissioner, DCJS
Joseph Popcun – Executive Deputy Commissioner, DCJS
Michael Bonse – Deputy Commissioner, DCJS
Johanna Sullivan – Director, OPS
Mr. Todd Murray – OPS
Mr. Gabriele Marruso – OPS Accreditation Unit

Ms. Kristina Zanella – OPS Accreditation Unit
Ms. Sarah Pilatich – OPS Accreditation Unit
Ms. Zilka Saunders – Office of Legal Services
Ms. Natasha Harvin-Locklear, Esq., Office of Legal Services
Ms. Colleen Glavin, Esq., Office of Legal Services

REPRESENTATIVES FROM APPLICANT AGENCIES:

Catskill Village Police Department

Chief Ronald Frascello
*Lieutenant Daniel Waer
Sergeant David Sherman

Dobbs Ferry Village Police Department

Chief Manuel Guevara
*Lieutenant Travis Colvin

East Hampton Village Police Department

*Sergeant Steve Sheades
Lieutenant Jack Bartelme
Officer Bethany Smith

Hamburg Town Police Department

Chief Peter Dienes
Lieutenant John Baker
*Officer Joseph LaRosa

Hudson Falls Village Police Department

*Chief John Kibling
Deputy Chief Jason Miller
Captain Brad Lyon
Sergeant Dave Costello

Liberty Village Police Department

Chief Steven D'Agata
*Sergeant Robert Morse

Mount Vernon City Police Department

Chief Marcel Olifiers
Lieutenant Gregory Addison
Officer Michael Plunkett

SUNY Police Fredonia

Chief Gordon Carpenter

*Lieutenant Benjamin Miller

Wallkill Town Police Department

Chief Robert Hertman
Brian Davis, President of the Town of Wallkill Police Community Council
Deputy Chief Antonino Spano
Lieutenant Robert McLymore
Police Officer Travis Barton
Officer Giovanni Laguna
Vanessa Vidal, Discovery Clerk
Katelyn Valenti, Records Clerk
Lisa Costello, Chief's Secretary

Webster Town Police Department

Chief Dennis Kohlmeier
*Captain Mark Reed
Lieutenant Samuel States

*Denotes Agency Program Manager in Attendance

ACTION ITEMS

4. Approval of the December Meeting Minutes

Director Rivera made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

5. Approval of Applications for Accreditation

Liberty Village Police Department

Chief Hawkins made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Flatley seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

Hamburg Town Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 12 ayes, 0 nay, 1 abstention

Wallkill Town Police Department

Director Rivera made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Flatley seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

6. Approval of Applications for Reaccreditation

Catskill Village Police Department

Chief Flatley made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

Dobbs Ferry Village Police Department

Director Rivera made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Deputy Superintendent Cooney seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

East Hampton Village Police Department

Chief Flatley made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Sheriff Baxter seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

Hudson Falls Village Police Department

Director Rivera made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

Mount Vernon City Police Department

Chief Flatley made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Deputy Superintendent Cooney seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

SUNY Police Fredonia

Dr. Floss made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

Webster Town Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Flatley seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

7. Presentation of Certificates

Liberty Village Police Department

Chief Steven D'Agata accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Robert Morse as the program manager.

Hamburg Town Police Department

Chief Peter Dienes accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Officer Joseph LaRosa as the program manager.

Wallkill Town Police Department

Chief Robert Hertman accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to John Vespucci as the program manager.

Catskill Village Police Department

Chief Ronald Frascello accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Daniel Waer as the program manager.

Dobbs Ferry Village Police Department

Chief Manuel Guevara accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Travis Colvin as the program manager.

East Hampton Town Police Department

Chief Michael Sarlo accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Ryan Fink as the program manager.

Hudson Falls Village Police Department

Chief John Kibling accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Captain Brad Lyon as the program manager.

Mount Vernon City Police Department

Chief Marcel Olifiers accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Detective Michael Plunkett as the program manager.

SUNY Fredonia University Police

Chief Brent Isaacson accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Benjamin Miller as the program manager.

Webster Town Police Department

Chief Dennis Kohlmeier accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Samuel States as the program manager.

At 10:33 am, Chairman Austin announced that there would be a break in the meeting so visitors would have an opportunity to excuse themselves if necessary. The meeting reconvened at 10:43 am.

8. Approval of Annual Compliance Surveys

Albany County Sheriff's Office, Ardsley Village Police Department, Camillus Town & Village Police Department, Canandaigua City Police Department, Chemung County Sheriff's Office, Delaware County Sheriff's Office, East Fishkill Town Police Department, Gates Town Police Department, Geneva City Police Department, Glens Falls City Police Department, Greenburgh Town Police Department, Greene County Sheriff's Office, Hastings-on-Hudson Village Police Department, Macedon Town Police Department, Metro. Trans. Authority Police Department, Monroe County Sheriff's Office, New Castle Town Police Department, New York State Police, New Paltz Town & Village Police Department, Niagara County Sheriff's Office, Orangetown Town Police Department, Poughkeepsie Town Police Department, Rochester City Police Department, Rockland County Sheriff's Office, Rockville Centre Police Department, Seneca County Sheriff's Office, Solvay Village Police Department, SUNY Cortland University Police, SUNY Geneseo University Police, SUNY New Paltz University Police, Warwick Town Police Department, Washington County Sheriff's Office, Waterloo Village Police Department, White Plains Department of Public Safety.

Chief Hawkins made a motion to accept the Annual Compliance Surveys received, and Deputy Superintendent Cooney seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 11 ayes, 0 nay, 2 abstentions

9. Mandatory Certification of Agencies Pursuant to EXC 846-h (1)(d)

Cambridge Village Police Department, Canadian Pacific Railway Police Service, Catskill Village Police Department, Coeymans Town Police Department, Cohoes City Police Department, CSX Transportation, Delhi Village Police Department, Dobbs Ferry Village Police Department, East Hampton Village Police Department1, Granville Village Police Department, Greene Village Police Department, Greenwich Village Police Department, Hancock Village Police Department, Homer Village Police Department, Hudson Falls Village Police Department, Mount Vernon City Police Department, Niskayuna Town Police Department, Owego Village Police Department, Port Dickinson Village Police Department, Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office, SUNY Fredonia University Police, Webster Town Police Department.

Chief Flatley made a motion to accept the recertifications received, and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

10. Approval of Extension Request

Greece Town Police Department has applied for a 3-month accreditation assessment extension.

Dr. Floss made a motion to accept the extension request, and Sheriff Baxter seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 13 ayes, 0 nay

11. Approval of Assessor Application

Colin Bell – Rosendale Town Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to accept the application, Chief Flatley seconded the motion.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

12. Program Updates

a) Mandatory Certification

Gabriele Marruso gave updates on the Mandatory Certification Program and the continued effort to get more agencies recertified.

b) Program Manager and Assessor Training

Gabriele Marruso gave details on Program Manager and Assessor Trainings that will be conducted in Utica.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no new business, Chief Flatley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sheriff Baxter seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 am.

The next meeting of the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council is held on June 6th, 2024, at 10:00 am.



Minutes of the 139th Meeting held on June 6, 2024

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Rosado called the 139th meeting of the council to order at 10:17 a.m. on June 6th, 2024. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Commissioner Rosado asked for a moment of silence to honor the members of law enforcement and the armed services who have died in the line of duty.

2. Roll Call

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chief Gregory Austin – Rye Brook Village Police Department
Martin Floss, Ph.D. - Hilbert College - Criminal Justice Faculty Team Advisor
Chief Deputy Leighton Filiatralt - St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office
Chief Martin Flatley - Southold Town Police Department
Detective (ret.) Michelle Randall-Williams - New York City Police Department
Sheriff Todd Baxter - Monroe County Sheriff's Office
Chief Olufunmilola Obe - New York City Police Department
Director William Rivera - Opportunities for Otsego, Inc.
Deputy Superintendent Colonel Daniel Cooney – New York State Police

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sheriff Michael Filicetti - Niagara County Sheriff's Office
Chief Eric Hawkins - Albany City Police Department
Rev. Dr. Marlowe Washington - Agape Fellowship United Methodist Church
Sheriff Robert Maciol - Oneida County Sheriff's Office

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Johanna Sullivan – Director, OPS
Mr. Todd Murray – OPS
Mr. Gabriele Marruso – OPS Accreditation Unit

Mrs. Ashley Sheroka, OPS Accreditation Unit
Mrs. Kea Cheever, OPS Accreditation Unit
Mrs. Carli Brand, OPS Accreditation Unit
Ms. Kristina Zanella – OPS Accreditation Unit
Ms. Sarah Pilatich – OPS Accreditation Unit
Ms. Natasha Harvin-Locklear, Esq., Office of Legal Services
Ms. Colleen Glavin, Esq., Office of Legal Services
Ms. Julina Guo, Esq., Office of Legal Services

REPRESENTATIVES FROM APPLICANT AGENCIES:

Amityville Village Police Department

Chief Bryan O. Burton Jr.
*Lieutenant Frank Caramanica Jr.
Amityville Village Trustee Owen Brooks

Buffalo City Police Department

Deputy Commissioner Dawn Kent
*Lieutenant Timothy Perrott

Cheektowaga Town Police Department

Chief Brian Coons
*Lieutenant Brian Wesoloski

Crawford Town Police Department

Charles Carnes Town Supervisor
Jason Muehr Town Council man
Dominick Blasko Chief of Police Accreditation manager
Michael Mataraza Sergeant
Christie Meany Sergeant
Officer Joseph Farago
Officer Kevin Colon
Officer Michael Hughes
Officer Victoria Geraghty

Greece Town Police Department

Agency not in Attendance

East Rochester Village Police Department

Chief Michael Brandenburg
*Sergeant Earl Lergner
Sergeant Noah Fast

Harrison Town Police Department

Chief John Vasta
Detective Mike Dragone
*Police Officer Ami Postiglione

Hudson City Police Department

Chief Mishanda Franklin
*Lieutenant David Miller

Quogue Village Police Department

Lieutenant Daniel Hartman
*Sergeant Daniel Bennett

Ramapo Town Police Department

Chief Martin Reilly
Sgt. Andres F. Sanchez - Accreditation Program Manager
Sgt. Sean Lee- Assistant Accreditation Program Manager

Shelter Island Police Department

Chief James Read Jr.
*Sergeant Anthony Rando

Woodbury Town Police Department

Chief Kevin Watson
Sgt. Kristen Potter – Accreditation Program Manager

*Denotes Agency Program Manager in Attendance

ACTION ITEMS

4. Approval of the March Meeting Minutes

Dr. Washington made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Chief Flatley seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

5. Approval of Applications for Accreditation

Amityville Village Police Department

Chief Flatley made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dep. Superintendent Cooney seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Crawford Town Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

6. Approval of Applications for Reaccreditation

Buffalo City Police Department

Dr. Washington made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dr. Floss seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Cheektowaga Town Police Department

Dep. Superintendent Cooney made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

East Rochester Village Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Flatley seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Greece Town Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dr. Washington seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Harrison Town Police Department

Chief Austin made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Flatley seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Hudson City Police Department

Dep. Superintendent Cooney made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dr. Washington seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Quogue Village Police Department

Chief Flatley made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dr. Floss seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Ramapo Town Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Shelter Island Police Department

Chief Flatley made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

Woodbury Town Police Department

Dr. Washington made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

7. Presentation of Certificates

Amityville Village Police Department

Chief Bryan O. Burton Jr. accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Frank Caramanica Jr. as the program manager.

Buffalo City Police Department

Deputy Commissioner Dawn Kent accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Timothy Perrott as the program manager.

Cheektowaga Town Police Department

Chief Brian Coons accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Brian Wesoloski as the program manager.

Crawford Town Police Department

Jason Muehr accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement.

East Rochester Village Police Department

Chief Michael Brandenburg accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Earl Lergner as the program manager.

Greece Town Police Department

The Greece Town Police Department was unable to attend. Certificates were mailed out directly after the meeting.

Harrison Town Police Department

Chief John Vasta accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Police Officer Ami Postiglione as the program manager.

Hudson City Police Department

Chief Mishanda Franklin accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant David Miller as the program manager.

Quogue Village Police Department

Lieutenant Daniel Hartman accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Daniel Bennett as the program manager.

Ramapo Town Police Department

Chief Martin Reilly accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Andres F. Sanchez as the program manager.

Shelter Island Police Department

Chief James Read Jr. accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Anthony Rando as the program manager.

Woodbury Town Police Department

Chief Kevin Watson accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Kristen Potter as the program manager.

At 10:55 am, Chairman Austin announced that there would be a break in the meeting so visitors would have an opportunity to excuse themselves if necessary. The meeting reconvened at 11:09 am.

8. Approval of Annual Compliance Surveys

Amherst Town Police Department, Binghamton City Police Department, Cicero Town Police Department, Clarkstown Town Police Department, DeWitt Town Police Department, Dutchess County Sheriff's Office, East Hampton Town Police Department, Eastchester Town Police Department, Erie County Sheriff's Office, Geneseo Village Police Department, Haverstraw Town Police Department, Huntington Bay Village Police Department, Liverpool Village Police Department, Lockport City Police Department, Monroe Village Police Department, New Rochelle City Police Department, New Windsor Town Police Department, North Syracuse Village Police Department, Old Westbury Village Police Department, Ontario County Sheriff's Office, Rensselaer City Police Department, Riverhead Town Police Department, Rye Brook Village Police Department, Stony Point Town Police Department, Suffolk County Police Department, SUNY Albany University Police, SUNY Alfred University Police, SUNY Buffalo State University Police, SUNY Cobleskill University Police, SUNY Oneonta University Police, SUNY Potsdam University Police, Tioga County Sheriff's Office, Ulster Town Police Department.

Dep. Superintendent Cooney made a motion to accept the Annual Compliance Surveys received, and Sheriff Baxter seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 8 ayes, 0 nay, 1 abstention

9. Mandatory Certification of Agencies Pursuant to EXC 846-h (1)(d)

Amsterdam City Police Department, Amityville Village Police Department, Andover Village Police Department, Arcade Village Police Department, Attica Village Police Department, Briarcliff Manor Village Police Department, Buffalo City Police Department, Cheektowaga Town Police Department, Crawford Town Police Department, Cuba Town Police Department, Dunkirk City Police Department, East Rochester Village Police Department, Ellicott Town Police Department, Fishkill Town Police Department, Fishkill Village Police Department, Fulton City Police

Department, Harrison Town Police Department, Hempstead Village Police Department, Hudson City Police Department, Kensington Village Police Department, Nassau County Police Department, Nassau County Sheriff's Office, NYC Environmental Protection Police, Oyster Bay Cove Village Police Department, Quogue Village Police Department, Ramapo Town Police Department, Shelter Island Town Police Department, Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, Woodbury Town Police Department, Woodridge Village Police Department.

Chief Flatley made a motion to accept the recertifications received, and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

10. Approval of Assessor Application

Steven D'Agata – Liberty Village Police Department
Robert Lucchesi – New Paltz Police Department
James Meyers – Cicero Town Police Department
Andres Sanchez – Ramapo Town Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to accept the applications, Dr. Floss seconded the motion.

Motion carried – 9 ayes, 0 nay

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

11. Program Updates

a) Mandatory Certification

Gabriele Marruso gave updates on the Mandatory Certification Program and the continued effort to get more agencies recertified.

b) Program Manager and Assessor Training

Gabriele Marruso gave details on Program Manager and Assessor Trainings that were conducted in Utica.

c) Standards Discussion and Contemporary Issues in Law Enforcement

The council discussed current issues in policing like recruitment and retention, hiring, background investigations, etc. The council will continue to have these discussions in the future.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no new business, Sheriff Baxter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Floss seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 pm.

The next meeting of the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council is held on September 12, 2024, at 10:00 am.



Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council

Minutes of the 140th Meeting held on September 12th, 2024

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Austin called the 140th meeting of the council to order at 10:10 a.m. on September 12th, 2024. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Commissioner Rosado asked for a moment of silence to honor the members of law enforcement and the armed services who have died in the line of duty.

2. Roll Call

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chief Gregory Austin – Rye Brook Village Police Department
Martin Floss, Ph.D. - Hilbert College - Criminal Justice Faculty Team Advisor
Chief Deputy Leighton Filiatralt - St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office
Chief Martin Flatley - Southold Town Police Department
Sheriff Todd Baxter - Monroe County Sheriff's Office
Chief Olufunmilola Obe - New York City Police Department
Deputy Superintendent Colonel Daniel Cooney – New York State Police
Chief Eric Hawkins - Albany City Police Department
Detective Erik Breitwieser – Southampton Town Police Department
Sergeant Joseph Pugliese – Metropolitan Transportation Authority Police

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sheriff Michael Filicetti - Niagara County Sheriff's Office
Rev. Dr. Marlowe Washington - Agape Fellowship United Methodist Church
Detective (ret.) Michelle Randall-Williams - New York City Police Department
Director William Rivera - Opportunities for Otsego, Inc.

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Mr. Gabriele Marruso – OPS Accreditation Unit
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Ms. Sarah Pilatich – OPS Accreditation Unit
Ms. Madison Klick – OPS Accreditation Unit
Ms. Colleen Glavin, Esq., Office of Legal Services
Ms. Julina Guo, Esq., Office of Legal Services

REPRESENTATIVES FROM APPLICANT AGENCIES:

Bedford Town Police Department

Chief Melvin Padilla
*Lieutenant Erik LeFevre
Lieutenant Jeffery Gulick
Lieutenant Peter Sikoryak
Sergeant Valdovinos

Fulton County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Richard Giardino
Undersheriff Dan Izzo
Captain Matthew Vanvalkenburgh
Lieutenant Jeff Fake
*Sergeant Josh Serpa

Guilderland Town Police Department

Chief Dan McNally
Lieutenant Joe DeVoe
*Lieutenant Matt Egnor
Officer Kyle McCormick

Madison County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Todd Hood
Undersheriff William Wilcox
Captain Shawn Burbidge
Records Clerk Leann Currier
Corporal Michael Currier

Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority

Chief of Police Brian K. Patterson
*Deputy Chief of Police Patrick Weidel

Ossining Village Police Department

Chief Aaron Zimmerman
Captain Brendan Donohue
*Sergeant Patrick McGovern

Oswego County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Don Hilton
Undersheriff John Toomey
Lieutenant Bill Bazzell

Peekskill City Police Department

Chief Leo Dylewski
*Lieutenant Alex Demundo
Lieutenant Susan Bielomyza
Lieutenant Adam Renwick
Detective John Marchioni
Officer Michael Henderson
Officer Heather Fries
Sr. Office Assistant Nicole Maban

Seneca Falls Town Police Department

Chief Timothy A. Snyder
Lieutenant Thomas B.P. Cleere

Tompkins County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Derek Osborne
*Undersheriff Jennifer Olin
Lieutenant Kyle Koskinen

*Denotes Agency Program Manager in Attendance

ACTION ITEMS

4. Approval of the June Meeting Minutes

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Deputy Superintendent Colonel Cooney seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

5. Approval of Applications for Accreditation

Fulton County Sheriff's Office

Dep. Superintendent Colonel Cooney made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Sheriff Baxter seconded the motion.

Motion carried -10 ayes, 0 nay

Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority Police Department

Dr. Floss made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Tompkins county Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

6. Approval of Applications for Reaccreditation

Bedford Town Police Department

Chief Austin made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Guilderland Town Police Department

Dep. Superintendent Cooney made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Madison County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Ossining Village Police Department

Chief Austin made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Oswego County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Peekskill City Police Department

Chief Austin made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Sheriff Baxter seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Seneca Falls Town Police Department

Chief Hawkins made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dep. Superintendent Cooney seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

7. Presentation of Certificates

Bedford Town Police Department

Chief Melvin Padilla accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Erik LeFevre as the program manager.

Fulton County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Richard Giardino accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Josh Serpa as the program manager.

Guilderland Town Police Department

Chief Dan McNally accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Matt Egnor as the program manager.

Madison County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Todd Hood accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Corporal Michael Currier as the program manager.

Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority

Chief Brian K. Patterson accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Deputy Chief of Police Patrick Weidel as the program manager.

Ossining Village Police Department

Chief Aaron Zimmerman accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Patrick McGovern as the program manager.

Oswego County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Don Hilton accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Bill Bazzell as the program manager.

Peekskill City Police Department

Chief Leo Dylewski accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Alex Demundo as the program manager.

Seneca Falls Town Police Department

Chief Timothy A. Snyder accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Thomas B.P. Cleere as the program manager.

Tompkins County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Derek Osborne accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Undersheriff Jennifer Olin as the program manager.

At 10:49 am, Chairman Austin announced that there would be a break in the meeting so visitors would have an opportunity to excuse themselves if necessary. The meeting reconvened at 11:13 am.

8. Approval of Annual Compliance Surveys

Beacon City Police Department, Bethlehem Town Police Department, Blooming Grove Town Police Department, Brighton Town Police Department, Broome County Sheriff's Office, Centre Island Village Police Department, Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office, Columbia County Sheriff's Office, Cornwall Town Police Department, Johnson City Village Police Department, Lancaster Town Police Department, Manlius Town Police Department, Mount Pleasant Town Police Department, Niagara Falls City Police Department, Ogden Town Police Department, Onondaga County Sheriff's Office, Oswego City Police Department, Rye City Police Department, Scarsdale Village Police Department, Schenectady City Police Department, Southampton Town Police Department, Southampton Village Police Department, St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office, Suffolk County Sheriff's Office, Tonawanda Town Police Department, Tuckahoe Village Police Department, Utica City Police Department, Warren County Sheriff's Office, Waterford Town & Village Police Department, West Seneca Town Police Department, Yonkers City Police Department, Yorktown Town Police Department.

Chief Hawkins made a motion to accept the Annual Compliance Surveys received, and Sheriff Baxter seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

9. Mandatory Certification of Agencies Pursuant to EXC 846-h (1)(d)

Athens Village Police Department, Bedford Town Police Department, Carroll Town Police Department, Cattaraugus Village Police Department, Chester Town Police Department, Chester Village Police Department, Franklinville Village Police Department, Friendship Town Police Department, Groton Village Police Department, Guilderland Town Police Department, Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, Ithaca City Police Department, Jordan Village Police Department, Madison County Sheriff's Office, Medina Village Police Department, Orleans County Sheriff's Office, Ossining Village Police Department, Oswego County Sheriff's Office, Peekskill City Police Department, Pine Plains Town Police Department, Red Hook Village Police Department, Rhinebeck Village Police Department, Seneca Falls Town Police Department.

Dr. Floss made a motion to accept the recertifications received, and Chief Hawkins seconded the motion.

Motion carried – 10 ayes, 0 nay

10. Approval of Assessor Application

Chance Fieldson – North Syracuse Village Police Department
Samuel States – Webster Town Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to accept the applications, Chief Obe seconded the motion.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

11. Program Updates

a) Mandatory Certification

Gabriele Marruso gave updates on the Mandatory Certification Program and the continued effort to get more agencies recertified.

b) Program Manager and Assessor Training

Gabriele Marruso gave details on Program Manager and Assessor Trainings that will be conducted in Binghamton.

c) Proposed 2025 Council Meeting Dates

The dates are as follows: Thursday, March 6, Thursday, June 5, Thursday, September 11, and Thursday, December 4, 2025. These will be voted on at the next regularly scheduled meeting in December.

d) Council Members

Gabriele Marruso gave an update on Sheriff Robert Maciol leaving the Accreditation Council to become the Chairman of the MPTC, and Chairman Austin retiring. Continued efforts to fill their position are being made.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no new business, Sheriff Baxter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dep. Superintendent Cooney seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 pm.

The next meeting of the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council is held on December 5th, at 10:00 am.



Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council

Minutes of the 141st Meeting held on December 5th, 2024.

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Deputy Commissioner Mike Bonse called the 141st meeting of the council to order at 10:02 a.m. on December 5th, 2024. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Commissioner Rosado asked for a moment of silence to honor the members of law enforcement and the armed services who have died in the line of duty.

2. Roll Call

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Martin Floss, Ph.D. - Hilbert College - Criminal Justice Faculty Team Advisor
Chief Deputy Leighton Filiatrault - St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office
Chief Martin Flatley - Southold Town Police Department
Sheriff Todd Baxter - Monroe County Sheriff's Office
Chief Olufunmilola Obe - New York City Police Department
Deputy Superintendent Colonel Daniel Cooney – New York State Police
Detective Erik Breitwieser – Southampton Town Police Department
Sergeant Joseph Pugliese – Metropolitan Transportation Authority Police
Detective (ret.) Michelle Randall-Williams - New York City Police Department
Director William Rivera - Opportunities for Otsego, Inc.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Rev. Dr. Marlowe Washington - Agape Fellowship United Methodist Church

3. Introductions

DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES STAFF

Joseph Popcun – Executive Deputy Commissioner, DCJS
Michael Bonse – Deputy Commissioner, DCJS
Johanna Sullivan – Director, OPS
Mr. Todd Murray – OPS
Mr. Gabriele Marruso – OPS Accreditation Unit
Mrs. Ashley Sheroka, OPS Accreditation Unit
Mrs. Carli Brand, OPS Accreditation Unit

Ms. Kristina Zanella – OPS Accreditation Unit

Ms. Sarah Pilatich – OPS Accreditation Unit

Ms. Madison Klick – OPS Accreditation Unit

Ms. Joanna Cadena - OPS Accreditation Unit

REPRESENTATIVES FROM APPLICANT AGENCIES:

Albany City Police Department

Lieutenant Thomas Mahar

Sergeant Stephen Sayer

*Officer Brian Masters

Brockport Village Police Department

Chief Paul Wheat

Lieutenant Scott Korn

*Officer Elliott Cave

Canton Village Police Department

Chief Ryan Cole

*Sergeant James Stone

Chenango County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Ernest Cutting

Undersheriff Dustin Smietana

Lieutenant Jeffrey Barton

Sergeant Nathan Warner

Colonie Town Police Department

*Lieutenant Louis DiNuzzo

Administrative Aide Melissa Shaw

Mamaroneck Town Police Department

Chief Paul Creazzo

Captain James Maher

*Lieutenant Rui Sandiaes

Sergeant Michael Downes

Sergeant William Rakas

Jaine Elkind Eney - Town Supervisor

Meredith Robson - Town Administrator

Oneonta City Police Department

Chief Christopher Witzenburg

Lieutenant Eric Berger

Sergeant Ralph Pajerski

Greg Mattice - City Administrator

Putnam County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Kevin J. McConville

Undersheriff Thomas H. Lindert

Captain James Schepperly, Patrol Division

Captain John Alfano, BCI

*Captain Michael Knox, Operations, Standards, and Intel

Senior Investigator Randel Hill, Forensics

First Sergeant Jonathan Cihanek

Sergeant Will Rossiter, OSI.

Suffern Village Police Department

Chief Andrew Loughlin

*Lieutenant Jose Martinez

Detective Sergeant William Simurra

Sergeant Abigail Adams

SUNY Binghamton Police Department

Chief Matthew Rossie

Lieutenant Steven Faulkner

*Officer Ryan Gennarelli

Officer Christopher Payne

*Denotes Agency Program Manager in Attendance

ACTION ITEMS

4. Approval of the September Meeting Minutes

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Dep. Superintendent Colonel Cooney seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

5. Approval of Applications for Accreditation

Mamaroneck Town Police Department

Dep. Superintendent Colonel Cooney made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried -10 ayes, 0 nay

Putnam County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dr. Floss seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

6. Approval of Applications for Reaccreditation

Albany City Police Department

Dr. Floss made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Sgt. Pugliese seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Brockport Village Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dr. Floss seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Canton Village Police Department

Chief Deputy Filiairault made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Sgt. Pugliese seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Chenango County Sheriff's Office

Chief Baxter made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Sgt. Pugliese seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Colonie Town Police Department

Supervisor Barber made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Sgt. Pugliese seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Oneonta City Police Department

Director Rivera made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Dr. Floss seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

Suffern Village Police Department

Dep. Superintendent Cooney made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Baxter seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

SUNY Police Binghamton

Dr. Floss made a motion to approve the reaccreditations and Chief Baxter seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

7. Presentation of Certificates

Mamaroneck Town Police Department

Chief Paul Creazzo accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Rui Sandiaes as the program manager.

Putnam County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Kevin J. McConville accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Captain Michael Knox on the behalf of the program manager.

Albany City Police Department

Sgt. Stephen Sayer accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Officer Brian Masters as the program manager.

Brockport Village Police Department

Chief Paul Wheat accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Officer Elliott Cave as the program manager.

Canton Village Police Department

The Canton Village Police Department was unable to attend. Certificates were mailed out directly after the meeting.

Chenango County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Ernest Cutting accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of

Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Nathan Warner as the program manager.

Colonie Town Police Department

Lt. Louis DiNuzzo the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to both Lieutenant Louis DiNuzzo and Administrative Aide Melissa Shaw as the program managers.

Oneonta City Police Department

Chief Christopher Witzenburg accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Sergeant Ralph Pajerski as the program manager.

Suffern Village Police Department

Chief Andrew Loughlin accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Lieutenant Jose Martinez as the program manager.

SUNY Binghamton Police Department

Chief Matthew Rossie accepted the Certificate of Accreditation, and the John Kimball O'Neil Certificate of Achievement was awarded to Officer Ryan Gennarelli as the program manager.

At 10:36 am, Deputy Commissioner Mike Bonse announced that there would be a break in the meeting so visitors would have an opportunity to excuse themselves if necessary. The meeting reconvened at 10:52 am.

8. Approval of Annual Compliance Surveys

Auburn City Police Department, Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office, Cortland City Police Department, East Greenbush Town Police Department, Elmira City Police Department, Endicott Village Police Department, Evans Town Police Department, Fairport Village Police Department, Geddes Town Police Department, Genesee County Sheriff's Office, Gloversville City Police Department, Greenwood Lake Village Police Department, Harriman Village Police Department, Irondequoit Town Police Department, Kingston City Police Department, Livingston County Sheriff's Office, Mamaroneck Village Police Department, Middletown City Police Department, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, North Castle Town Police Department, North Greenbush Town Police Department, Oneida County Sheriff's Office, Orange County Sheriff's Office, Rome City Police Department, Rotterdam Town Police Department, Saratoga County Sheriff's Office, Saratoga Springs City Police Department, Saugerties Town Police Department, Schenectady County Sheriff's Office, SUNY Brockport University Police, SUNY Buffalo University Police, SUNY Canton University Police, SUNY Stony Brook University Police, Syracuse City Police Department, Tarrytown Village Police Department, Tonawanda City Police Department, Troy City Police Department, Ulster County Sheriff's Office, Vestal Town Police Department, Watertown City Police Department, Wayne County Sheriff's Office, Westchester County Department of Public Safety, Yates County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to accept the Annual Compliance Surveys received, and Detective Breitwieser seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 10 ayes, 0 nay

9. Mandatory Certification of Agencies Pursuant to EXC 846-h (1)(d)

Albany City Police Department, Brockport Village Police Department, Canton Village Police Department, Chatham Village Police Department, Chenango County Sheriff's Office, Colonie Town Police Department, Hamilton Village Police Department, Hunter Town Police Department, Hyde Park Town Police Department, Lloyd Town Police Department, Mount Morris Village Police Department, New York Susquehanna & Western Railroad, North Collins Village Police Department, Nunda Town & Village Police Department, Olive Town Police Department, Oneonta City Police Department, Oriskany Village Police Department, Otsego County Sheriff's Office, Rosendale Town Police Department, Sherburne Village Police Department, Sherrill City Police Department, Springville Village Police Department, Suffern Village Police Department, SUNY Binghamton University Police, Webb Town Police Department, Woodstock Town Police Department.

Dr. Floss made a motion to accept the recertifications received, and Dep. Superintendent Cooney seconded the motion.

Motion carried – 10 ayes, 0 nay

10. Approval of Accreditation Program Manager Training Standard

Proposed new standard 1.3. This standard would require all program managers to complete the DCJS Law Enforcement Accreditation Program training within one year of being assigned as program manager.

Supervisor Barber made a motion to accept the addition of the new standard, and [REDACTED] seconded the motion.

Motion carried – 10 ayes, 0 nay

11. Approval of Assessor Application

Brian Lutz – Syracuse Police Department

Sheriff Baxter made a motion to accept the applications, Chief Obe seconded the motion.

Motion carried – 10 ayes, 0 nay

12. Acceptance of 2025 Meeting Dates

The dates are as follows: Thursday, March 6, 2025, Thursday, June 5, 2025, Wednesday, September 10, 2025, and Thursday, December 4, 2025.

Detective Breitwieser made a motion to accept the meeting dates, Director Rivera seconded the motion.

Motion carried – 10 ayes, 0 nay

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

13. Program Updates

a) Assessor Evaluations/Training

Gabriele Marruso gave details on Program Manager and Assessor Trainings that were conducted in Chenango County.

b) Council Members

Continued efforts to fill vacant positions including Chairman are continued being made.

c) Welcome New Staff

Gabriele Marruso welcomed new staff member Joanna Cadena to the OPS Accreditation Unit.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no new business, Sheriff Baxter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Barber seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.

The next meeting of the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council is held on March 6th, at 10:00 am.