



# Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council

## 126<sup>th</sup> Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council Meeting

*March 4, 2021*

New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services  
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**Meeting 126**  
**March 4, 2021**  
**10:00 am**

New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services

## **AGENDA**

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| <b>1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance</b> | <i>Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman</i> |
| <b>2. Roll Call</b>                           | <i>Accreditation Unit Staff</i>       |
| <b>3. Introductions</b>                       | <i>Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman</i> |

## **ACTION ITEMS**

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| <b>4. Ratify September 2020 Meeting Action Items</b> | <i>Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman</i> |
| 1. Approval of Annual Compliance Survey              |                                       |
| i. Manlius Town Police Department                    |                                       |
| <b>5. Ratify December 2020 Meeting Action Items</b>  | <i>Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman</i> |
| 1. Approval of Application for Reaccreditation       |                                       |
| i. Kingston City Police Department                   |                                       |
| ii. Rye Brook Village Police Department              |                                       |
| iii. Suffolk County Police Department                |                                       |
| iv. Troy City Police Department                      |                                       |
| <b>6. Approval of December 2020 Meeting Minutes</b>  | <i>Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman</i> |
| <b>7. Approval of Applications for Accreditation</b> | <i>Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman</i> |
| 1. Greene County Sheriff's Office                    |                                       |

**8. Approval of Applications for Reaccreditation**

*Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman*

- 1. Geneva City Police Department
- 2. Glens Falls City Police Department
- 3. MTA Police Department
- 4. Niagara County Sheriff's Office
- 5. Poughkeepsie Town Police Department
- 6. Seneca County Sheriff's Office
- 7. SUNY Cortland University Police Department

**9. Approval of Annual Compliance Surveys**

*Accreditation Unit Staff*

Albany County Sheriff's Office, Camillus Town Police Department, Canandaigua City Police Department, Catskill Village Police Department, Chemung County Sheriff's Office, Delaware County Sheriff's Office, Dobbs Ferry Village Police Department, East Fishkill Town Police Department, East Hampton Village Police Department, Gates Town Police Department, Greece Town Police Department, Greenburgh Town Police Department, Hudson Falls Village Police Department, Monroe County Sheriff's Office, Mount Vernon City Police Department, New Castle Town Police Department, New Paltz Town Police Department New York State Police, Orangetown Town Police Department, Rochester City Police Department, Rockland County Sheriff's Office, Rockville Centre Village Police Department, Solvay Village Police Department, SUNY Police Fredonia, SUNY Police Geneseo, SUNY Police New Paltz, Washington County Sheriff's Office, Webster Town Police Department, White Plains Dept. of Public Safety

**10. Approval of New Assessors**

*Accreditation Unit Staff*

- 1. Assistant Chief (ret.) Daniel P. Flanagan Jr. – Nassau County Police Department
- 2. Chief (ret.) Marvin J. Fischer – SUNY Farmingdale University Police Department

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**11. Program Updates**

*Commissioner Michael Green/Accreditation Unit*

- 1. Article VII Legislation
- 2. Council Member Appointments
- 3. Remote Delivery of Program Manager and Assessor Trainings
- 4. Agency Withdrawal – SUNY Oswego University Police Department
- 5. Removal of reference to Civil Rights Law § 50-a in Standard 25.1

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman*

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

*Chief Gregory Austin, Chairman*

The next meeting of the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council is on June 3, 2021 at 10:00 am.



# Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council

**Minutes of the 125<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
December 3, 2020, 10:00 AM**

New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services

## **1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance**

Division of Criminal Justice Services Executive Deputy Commissioner Michael Green called the 125<sup>th</sup> meeting of the council to order at 10:00 a.m. on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Executive Deputy Commissioner Green 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  
**Sergeant Louis Dini** – Suffolk County Police Department, PCNY  
**Sheriff Robert Maciol** – Oneida County Sheriff's Office  
**Supervisor Edmond Theobald** – Town of Manlius  
**Sheriff Barry Virts** – Wayne County Sheriff's Office  
**Robert E. Worden, Ph.D.** – University at Albany  
**Mr. Richard Wells** – Police Conference New York  
**Acting Superintendent Kevin Bruen** – New York State Police

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**Commissioner Dermot Shea** - New York City Police Department - **Voting by Proxy**  
**Mayor Robert Palmieri** - City of Utica

### **OTHER DIGNITARIES ATTENDING:**

**Chief Kenneth Corey** - New York City Police Department - **Proxy**  
**Deputy Chief Timothy Beaudette** – New York City Police Department

## **3. Introductions**

### **DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES STAFF**

Executive Deputy Commissioner Michael Green  
Michael Wood, Deputy Commissioner - Office of Public Safety (OPS)  
Johanna Sullivan, Director, OPS  
Natasha Harvin-Locklear – Office of Legal Services  
Gabriele Marruso - OPS  
Ashley Onorati - OPS Accreditation Unit  
Kevin Fairchild – OPS Accreditation Unit

Kea Jelliff – OPS Accreditation Unit  
Mr. Michael Flaherty, Esq., Office of Legal Services  
Mr. Brian Garvey, Esq., Office of Legal Services

**REPRESENTATIVES FROM APPLICANT AGENCIES:**

**Bethlehem Town Police Department**

Chief Gina Cocchiara  
\*Commander Michael Cozzy

**Endicott Village Police Department**

Chief Patrick Garey  
\*Sgt. Bradley Solomon

**Genesee County Sheriff's Office**

Sheriff William Sheron  
Undersheriff Bradley Mazur  
\*Deputy Deborah Snyder

**Haverstraw Town Police Department**

Chief Peter G. Murphy  
Captain Martin Lund  
Lieutenant John Gould  
\*Sergeant James Hansen  
Officer David Kryger

**Kingston City Police Department**

Chief Egidio Tinti  
\*Lt. Michael Bonse

**North Castle Town Police Department**

Chief Peter Simonsen  
Sergeant Regen Hufnagle  
Sergeant Joel Thomas  
Town Administrator Kevin Hay

**Old Westbury Village Police Department**

Chief Robert Glaser  
Mayor Edward Novick

**Orange County Sheriff's Office**

Chief Deputy Dennis Barry  
Lieutenant Laurence Cottone  
\*Investigator Hector Hernandez

**Rye Brook Village Police Department**

Mayor Paul Rosenberg

Village Administrator Christopher Bradbury  
Lieutenant John Arnold  
\*Officer Michael Caridi

**Suffolk County Police Department**

Commissioner Geraldine Hart  
\*Officer Brian Butler

**SUNY Stony Brook University Police Department**

Chief Lawrence M. Zacaese  
\*Assistant Chief Neil Farrell

**Troy City Police Department**

Chief Brian Owens  
Captain John Becker  
\*Sergeant John Keeler

**Yates County Sheriff's Office**

Sheriff Ronald Spike  
\*Undersheriff Howard Davis

\*Denotes Agency Program Manager in Attendance

**ACTION ITEMS**

**4. Ratify September 2020 Meeting Action Items**

- a. Approval of Application for Reaccreditation
  - i. Utica City Police Department

Sheriff Maciol made a motion to reaccredit the agency and Mr. Wells seconded the motion.

Motion Carried – 9 ayes, 0 nay

- b. Approval of Annual Compliance Survey – this will need to be ratified at the March 2021 meeting.
  - i. Manlius Town Police Department

*Motion carried – 9 ayes, 0 nay*

**5. Approval of September 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Sheriff Virts made a motion to accredit the agency and Supervisor Theobald seconded the motion.

Motion carried - 9 ayes, 0 nay

**6. Approval of Applications for Reaccreditation**

**Bethlehem Town Police Department, Endicott Village Police Department, Genesee County Sheriff's Office, Haverstraw Village Police Department, North Castle Town Police Department,**

**Old Westbury Village Police Department, Orange County Sheriff's Office, SUNY Police Stony Brook, and Yates County Sheriff's Office.**

Sheriff Maciol made a motion to reaccredit the agencies and Chief Austin seconded the motion.

*9 ayes, 0 nay*

**Kingston City Police Department**

Mr. Wells made a motion to reaccredit the agency and Supervisor Theobald seconded the motion.

*8 ayes, 0 nay, 1 abstention*

**Rye Brook Village Police Department**

Mr. Wells made a motion to reaccredit the agency and Sheriff Maciol seconded the motion.

*8 ayes, 0 nay, 1 abstention*

**Suffolk County Police Department**

**Mr. Wells made a motion to reaccredit the agency and Supervisor Theobald seconded the motion.**

*7 ayes, 0 nay, 2 abstentions*

**Troy City Police Department**

Sheriff Maciol made a motion to reaccredit the agency and Mr. Wells seconded the motion.

*8 ayes, 0 nay, 1 abstention*

***At 10:40 am, Executive Deputy Commissioner Green 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 10:45 am.***

**7. Approval of Annual Compliance Surveys**

Albany City Police Department, Brockport Village Police Department, Canton Village Police Department, Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office, Chenango County Sheriff's Office, Colonie Town Police Department, Cortland City Police Department, East Greenbush Town Police Department, Elmira City Police Department, Evans Town Police Department, Fairport Village Police Department, Geddes Town Police Department, Gloversville City Police Department, Harriman Village Police Department, Irondequoit Town Police Department, Livingston County Sheriff's Office, Middletown City Police Department, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, North Greenbush Town Police Department, Oneida County Sheriff's Office, Oneonta City Police Department, Rome City Police Department, Rotterdam Town Police Department, Saratoga County Sheriff's Office, Saugerties Town Police Department, Suffern Village Police Department, SUNY Police Binghamton, SUNY Police Brockport, SUNY Police Buffalo, Syracuse City Police Department, Tonawanda 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

Sergeant Dini made a motion to accept the Annual Compliance Surveys received, and Sheriff Virts seconded the Motion.

*9 ayes, 0 nay*

**8. Approval of Standard 41.3 revision**

Gabriele Marruso explained to the council that the office of public safety is proposing a revision to standard 41.3 in response to community doxing. Doxing is to search for and publish private or identifying information about (a particular individual) on the internet, typically with malicious intent. With the recent civil unrest many officers have become the target of doxing placing officers and their family at risk. We are proposing that an agency permit an officer to be identified to alternatives to typical name plates. Especially in high risk situations like riots or rallies. An

example would be using badge number instead of an officer's last name.

Supervisor Theobald made a motion to accept the revision to standard 41.3 and Sergeant Dini seconded the motion.

*9 ayes, 0 nay*

## **9. Approval of Standard 8.5 revision**

Mr. Marruso explained to that council that recently the MU-1 and CO-2 have been consolidated into LGS -1. After review, it did not appear to cover certain state agencies or interstate agencies, so language was added to do so.

Sergeant Dini made a motion to accept the revision to standard 41.3 and Chief Austin seconded the motion.

*9 ayes, 0 nay*

## **10. Approval of New Assessors**

1. Chief Timothy M. Ashley II – SUNY Potsdam University Police Department
2. Captain (ret.) Gregory T. Schuey – SUNY Geneseo University Police Department

Supervisor Theobald made a motion to approve the assessor applications and Sheriff Maciol seconded the motion.

*9 ayes, 0 nay*

## **11. Acceptance of 2021 Meeting Dates**

1. March 4, 2021
2. June 3, 2021
3. September 2, 2021
4. December 2, 2021

Sheriff Maciol made a motion to accept the 2021 meeting dates and Mr. Wells seconded the motion.

*9 ayes, 0 nay*

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

### **12. Program Updates**

#### **Council Members Appointments:**

Mr. Marruso gave the council a brief update on the status of the council members and acknowledged staff is working diligently on obtaining more nominations for seats on the council. We also welcome Chief Kenneth Corey from the NYPD and Acting Superintendent Kevin Bruen to the council.

#### **Remote Delivery of Program Manager and Assessor Trainings:**

Mr. Marruso updated the Council with the details of the accreditation unit remote trainings. With the Instruction from Chief (ret) Sal Simonetti the trainings have been extremely successful. The unit will be scheduling additional trainings at a later date.

#### **Remote Assessments:**

Mr. Marruso informed the council that the remote assessments have been successful. We are in line with social distancing guidelines while keeping the integrity of the program.



**Status of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Extensions:**

Previously we had 5 extensions granted at the June meeting and with the reaccreditations granted today all 5 agencies have now been successfully reaccredited.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

There being no other business, Sheriff Maciol made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wells seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.

**The next meeting of the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council is on March 4, 2021 at 10:00 am.**

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