

Nancy Goss Sheahan, Chair
Leo Willey, Vice Chair



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State of Vermont
State Police Advisory Commission
Department of Public Safety
103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05671-2101

MINUTES

April 7, 2016

The State Police Advisory Commission meeting was opened at approximately 1:35 PM hours by Nancy Goss Sheahan, Chair with the following in attendance.

Commission Members: Present: Nancy Goss Sheahan; Chair, Leo Willey; Vice Chair, Glenn Boyde, Patti Pallito
Absent: Shirley Jefferson, Mary Alice McKenzie, Allison Crowley DeMag

Others Attending: Commissioner Keith Flynn, Colonel Matthew Birmingham, Lieutenant Jeremy Hill, Director of Internal Affairs

Chair entertains a motion to accept the February 4, 2016 minutes, so moved by Patti Pallito and seconded by Glenn Boyd and so moved.

Floor was opened up for public comment. No one from the public was present.

Chair entertains a motion to go into executive session to discuss records of the office of internal investigations, including new and miscellaneous IA cases of the Department of Public Safety, so moved by Leo Willey and seconded by Glenn Boyd and so moved.

Closed Session: 1:36 PM

Open Session: 2:56 PM

Leo Willey questions the status of 911. Commissioner Flynn explains that there was some miscommunications and misconceptions. At this time we are looking for efficiency and savings within our department. Many people do not know the distinction between dispatch and 911. They are not one in the same. We do not intend to close the Williston Dispatch. We are looking at the most efficient way to run E-911. E-911 is not run by us, it is run by the E-911 board. We are simply a contractor within the system and we need to look to see if this is an economical model for us. Commissioner Flynn states there is an inequity throughout the state. Some towns pay, but most get dispatching for free. We have two local cities who are receiving grants to start up their own 911 centers. At this time we really need to

look at the bigger picture and look at the entire dispatch issue in Vermont. Commissioner Flynn presents cost savings for the consolidation of PSAP's.

The next State Police Advisory meeting was set for June 2, 2016 at 1:30 PM.

With no further business a motion was entertained by Nancy Goss Sheahan for the meeting to be adjourned, so moved by Leo Willey, and seconded by Patti Pallito. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Carr
Executive Assistant