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## **Law Enforcement Advisory Board**

### **Minutes October 30, 2020**

The Law Enforcement Advisory Board meeting was held via the Microsoft Teams application during the COVID-19 pandemic.

1. Call to Order
2. Agenda Additions or Subtractions ---Nothing
3. Minutes - Approved
4. Election of Vice Chair - Chief Tom Hanley elected as Vice Chair
5. Discussion on S.124 – Role of the LEAB -- Introduction of the new Special Assistance to the Commissioner of Public safety Jen Morrison. Jen will be working on a Statewide Policy USE OF FORCE. Jen will be requesting all law enforcement to participate by sending her their policy's.
  - The LEAB group voted to support the Vermont Police Academy under the umbrella of DPS.
  - Gwynn advised that the VLCT will be reviewing and making a recommendation on the statute language below. Gwynn will advise us at our next meeting of their outcome.
  - The Council, Law Enforcement Advisory Board, and Department of Public Safety shall consult with the Vermont League of Cities and Towns and other interested stakeholders to determine whether:(i) the Council should be reestablished within a State agency or other oversight entity; and (ii) there should be more flexibility in the residential and field training required of law enforcement applicants, including whether applicants should be able to satisfy some aspects of basic training through experiential learning.
  - The LEAB has until January 15 to present the process on hiring standards.
  - The Law Enforcement Advisory Board shall recommend universal standards for interviewing and hiring new law enforcement officers in order to recognize applicant qualities that are desirable and those that are not. The Board shall specifically recommend standards that should apply to officers in a supervisory role.



- Next meeting November 30th 0930hrs Teams online.

6. Old Business---None

7. Adjourn

