

**Vermont Criminal Justice Council
Domestic Violence Sub-Committee
August 12, 2021**

Members in Attendance

Chief Robbie Blish, Chair, Woodstock Police Dept
Heather Holter, Vermont Council on Domestic Violence
Jennifer Firpo, Vermont Police Academy
Casandra Burdyshaw, Vermont Human Rights Commission
Jodie Bacon, Crime Victims Services
Sheriff Sam Hill, Washington County Sheriff's Dept
Doug Norton, Vermont State Police

Other Attendees

Gail Williams, Vermont Police Academy
Darren Mitchell, FTAP

Meeting was called to order at 1:02

New member Jodie Bacon introduced herself.

Sheriff Hill made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 10, 2021, meeting.
Second by Casandra Burdyshaw. All in favor. Motion passed.

Darren Mitchell from FTAP is an attorney and consultant on Domestic Violence issues who also works on training objectives across the county will be helping with the training curriculum for the 2022 DV mandatory training.

Although 2022 was supposed to be an in-person training due to agency staff shortages it was believed an online training would be best. Jennifer Firpo will be working on finding a training platform that has the capability of a discussion board which would give officers the option to ask questions.

The learning objectives for the 2022 training will be around firearms, content from the



Vermont Center for Crime Victim's Services, status of after hour orders, statutory updates, touch on Act 192 (160) again, and changes in RFA forms.

Jennifer Firpo shared the draft timeline set to get this training out and will have a finalized timeline done for approval at the Oct meeting and will work on finding a training platform that will be suitable for the training.

Sheriff Hill made the motion to adjourn, second by Heather Holter. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:43.

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