December 12th, 2024

1:00 PM

Teams Meeting

Members in Attendance:

Sheriff Jennifer Harlow-Orleans County

Heather Holter- Vermont Council on Domestic Violence

Doug Norton- Lt. VSP

Loretta Stalnaker, Chief, Royalton Police Department

Carolyn Hanson- Attorney General’s Office

Sarah Robinson- Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

Nicole Peatman- Cpl. Essex Police Department

Savanna Williams- Umbrella

Stacy Shortle- Psychologist, Rutland School District

Jodie Bacon- Vermont Center for Crime Victims Services

Other Attendees:

Jennifer Firpo- Vermont Criminal Justice Council

Members not in attendance:

Katie Newell- Human Trafficking Case Manager

**Call to Order: Sheriff Harlow**

**Additions/Deletions to Agenda:** None.

**Approval of minutes:**

November minutes approved

**2026 Mandatory DV Training:**

Jennifer Firpo shared that the VCJC members will need to have the 2026 mandatory training ready for review for the December 2025 council meeting. Chair Harlow requested a list of the topics previously covered Jennifer Firpo will provide these and the list of suggested topics from a survey sent to officers previously. Chair Harlow and Chief Stalnaker agreed to reach out the chiefs and sheriffs associations for their input. Doug Norton agreed to reach out within VSP for their input as well.

The history of this training was explained to the new members of the committee. Members were reminded that the training needs to be accessible to agencies and not place undue pressure on staffing to complete it. A potential topic that is already being considered is working with folks who are deaf or hard of hearing and those with limited English proficiency. Specifically making sure that officers are aware of and know how to access interpreters. Members will discuss further topic possibilities at the next meeting.

**New Business:**

None

**Public Comment:**

None

**Meeting adjourned**