

Connecticut General Assembly

Police Transparency & Accountability Task Force

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Improving Police Interactions with The Disability Community Subcommittee

Minutes

Tuesday, March 2, 2021
11:00 a.m., via Zoom

Attendees: Jon Slifka (Chair), Chief Jack Drumm, Andrew Clark, Meghan Peterson, Caleigh McKenna (Interpreter), Alvin Chege, Maureen Lopes, Source Intern – Ashley V; Source Intern - Wendy

- I.** Convene meeting and welcome
 - a. *Chair Slifka convened the meeting at 11:07am.*
- II.** Introduction of Members
 - a. *At the direction of the chairs, members introduced themselves.*
- III.** Review of Minutes from 2/2/21 Meeting
 - a. *Due to a lack of quorum, the 2/2/21 minutes will be tabled until the next meeting.*
- IV.** Discussion:
 - a. Social Worker Recommendation reports (updates)
 - i. *Received an email this morning with approximately 30 reports. Haven't had time to review the materials. Will review with Chief Mello and report back to subcommittee in a subsequent meeting.*
- V.** Presentation follow up:
 - a. Dr. Meghan Peterson, IMRP: Sequential Intercept Model as a framework for policy intervention.
 - i. *Presented on 3 documents on the SIM*
 - ii. *Chair Slifka – this is seen as a starting point for the conversation about what currently exists, where the gaps are, and what recommendations stem from them. Andrew Clark – the work of the past year, including recommendations for the preliminary report – can be incorporated into this process. Chief Drumm – Eastern CT started out the CAD system (CARD –*

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citizens at risk; Citizens w/Autism – w/in CAD; voluntary system). Possibly worth looking at. Alvin Chege – main issue is communication access issues. In terms of 911 – any deaf individuals call 911? A: we have not gathered info on this yet, but we will do so. Chege: follow up – there are interpretation services for deaf. Unsure if 911 can identify that call is coming from a deaf individual. Chief Drumm – usually texts. Possibly three people registered in Madison. Would be difficult from outside the town. Challenge to a larger community as well. Maureen Lopes – has been attending the Madison Police Commission meetings and is appreciative of these meetings and of Chief Drumm’s desire to lead in this and other areas.

- VI.** Announcement of time and date of next meeting
- a. April 6, 11am. Chair Slifka encourages all members to take a look at the handouts from today’s meeting and be prepared with suggestions, recommendations and input to share at the next meeting.
- VII.** Adjournment
- a. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55am