

STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION
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MINUTES

STATE MARSHAL COMMISSION MEETING,

October 24, 2024

Commissioner Thomas A. Esposito, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m. Commissioner Esposito advised all participants that the proceedings were being recorded. Commissioner Esposito confirmed all members in attendance and verified that a minimum 5 voting member quorum was present.

Members present and participating remotely: Chairperson Thomas Esposito; the Honorable Leo Diana; Shirley Skyers-Thomas; Salvatore Vitrano; and John Vamos; Ex-officio (non-voting) Member State Marshal Brian Mezick. Commission Staff present: Director of Operations, Anthony Valenti (non-voting) and Staff Attorney Claudia Maxwell(non-voting). Members Absent: Michael Desmond

Topics:

1. **Minutes of the August 22, 2024, Regular Meeting:** Commissioner Esposito asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes from the August 22, 2024, meeting. Commissioner Diana made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 22, 2024, regular State Marshal Commission meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Vamos. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. **Administrative Updates:** Director of Operations Valenti reported that he had three updates. First, all state marshals had completed their renewals on E-License and had uploaded proof of their insurance. Second, the State Marshal Commission Manual workgroup had completed proposed revisions, and approval should be an item on next months agenda. Last, the recruitment for new state marshal had as of the last update, 80 applications in process. Director Valenti believes there will be an uptick in applications as the deadline gets closer and due to publicity about the opportunity to apply.

2. **Executive Session:** Commissioner Esposito asked if there was a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues. A motion was made by Commissioner Diana and seconded by Commissioner Vamos. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion, but there was none. Motion passed unanimously. Then Commissioner Esposito asked if there was a motion to invite Director Valenti and Staff Attorney Maxwell into executive session. A motion was made by Commissioner Vitrano and seconded by Commissioner Skyers-Thomas. Then Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion. There was no discussion. Executive session began at 5:44 p.m. and the monthly meeting resumed at 6:05 p.m.

3. **Probable Cause Determination:**

Commissioner Esposito asked if a motion was being made for a finding of probable cause in **In Re Anthony Cipriano, File No. 24-16** that State Marshal Cipriano violated State Marshal Commission

Regulations Sections 6-38b-6(1), 6-38b-8(b)(2), 6-38b-6(1) and 6-38b-6(2). A motion was made by Commissioner Diana which was seconded by Commissioner Vamos. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion. There was none. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Retirements, Resignation

Commissioner Esposito stated that **New Haven County State Marshal Joseph Nardini** was requesting to retire as of September 30, 2024. He had closed his client fund account and had no active work, so no successor marshal was needed. State Marshal Nardini did not request a retirement badge.

Commissioner Esposito asked if there was a motion to approve the retirement for New Haven State Marshal Joseph Nardini. A motion was made by Commissioner Vitrano and seconded by Commissioner Vamos. Commissioner Esposito called for discussion. There was none. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Esposito thanked State Marshal Nardini for his years of service.

Commissioner Esposito stated that **Fairfield County State Marshal Winthrop Fry** was requesting to retire as of December 31, 2024. He would close his client fund account by December 31, 2024, and had transferred executions to State Marshal Robert Bradley, who would be his successor marshal. State Marshal Fry had reported that he was requesting retirement at the end of the year to facilitate a smooth transition to State Marshal Bradley. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was a motion to approve the retirement for Fairfield County State Marshal Winthrop Fry, and State Marshal Bradley be appointed successor marshal. A motion was made by Commissioner Vamos and seconded by Commissioner Diana. Commissioner Esposito called for discussion. There was none. The motion passed unanimously. Staff Attorney Maxwell stated that Marshal Fry was requesting a retirement badge and identification card. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was a motion to grant State Marshal Fry a retirement badge and identification card. Commissioner Vitrano made a motion which was seconded by Commissioner Vamos. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Esposito state that **New London County State Marshal Joshua Ostrowski** resigned effective September 24, 2024. He closed his client fund and had no outstanding work as of September 24, 2024, so there is no need for a successor marshal. He asked if there was a motion to accept the resignation of State Marshal Ostrowski. A motion was made by Commissioner Vamos and seconded by Commissioner Skyers-Thomas. Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any discussion, there was none. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Esposito asked if there was any further business. Hearing none, he asked if there was a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Commissioner Diana and seconded by Commissioner Vamos. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.