

Rosendale Police Reform Committee Agenda, 9/17, 5:30 PM

1. Attendance.

- **Terry Johnson** - Volunteer Committee Member
- **Jennifer Bliss** - Volunteer Committee Member, Chair
- **Ted Dixon** - Volunteer Committee Member, Vice Chair
- **Josh Baron** - Volunteer Committee Member, Secretary
- **Rich Wright** - Volunteer Committee Member
- **Marc Cassidy** - Volunteer Committee Member,
- **Chief Scott Schaffrick** - Chief of Police, Rosendale Police Department
- **Councilman Matt Igoe** - Rosendale Town Council Member (non-voting member, Police Commission liaison) - Left at 6:40
- **Councilwoman Carrie Wykoff** - Rosendale Town Council Member (non-voting member, Town Council liaison) - Left at 6:45

Jessieca McNabb (Volunteer Committee Member) and ADA Blackmon were unable to attend.

2. Town Supervisor Walsh update

Councilman Igoe shared updates from Supervisor Walsh regarding the role of the Town Council in forming and overseeing the Committee. An update from the Town Attorney regarding voting rights of Committee members was discussed and Committee members expressed thoughts and opinions on how voting rights should be handled. M. Igoe will be following up with the Town Council and Attorney to seek further clarification as means to finalize committee member voting rights.

3. Minutes from last week (Draft 9/10 Meeting Minutes)

Meeting Minutes from the 9/10 meeting were reviewed prior to the meeting and approved via email. Committee Member Wright noted that he had been left off the meeting attendance list following the first meeting (which he had missed). Corrections were made.

4. NY Association of Counties Webinar on Policing in 2020.

J. Bliss, T. Dixon and M. Cassidy viewed the webinar and shared observations and feedback. It was noted that having a robust fact-finding and public input period was stressed in the webinar. There was also a useful review of laws that have been passed this year related to police reform. J. Bliss noted several points related to the Committee dealing with confidential personnel and contract issues. M. Cassidy updated notes he took to the Committee's Google Drive for future reference.

5. Survey/Communications Plan/Press Release

The Committee had limited time to review and discuss these topics. Secretary Baron suggested that he work with C. Wykoff to finalize press release and related communications with the goal of having these ready by early next week. Committee agreed to this approach.

6. Subcommittees - We reviewed the subcommittee breakdown Google sheet

J. Bliss provided an overview of how the subcommittees were identified and provided several initial thoughts on how to best staff them. It was stressed that while subcommittees would be working on the details for each associated topic that all Committee members would have input on all issues. Time was spent reviewing the subcommittee Google Sheet and finalizing who would serve on each subcommittee.

The Committee discussed how to best approach the next phase of work. It was decided that each subcommittee would meet independently with the goal of submitting "progress reports" by Wednesday, October 7th and that we would review and discuss these at our next meeting on Thursday, October 8th.

7. Miscellaneous issues / any other business.

There was no additional business to discuss.

Meeting ended at 7:05 PM (Zoom session was ended by the host because another meeting started).