

ROSENDALE POLICE COMMISSION

Commissioners Supervisor Jeanne Walsh, Anthony Stenta, Joe Hafner

February 22, 2022 Police Commission Meeting

Rondout Municipal Center

2:35 p.m. Meeting called to Order

Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Walsh

PRESENT: Supervisor Walsh, Commissioner Hafner, Commissioner Stenta, Chief Schaffrick, Councilman Havranek, Community Liaison Terry Johnson

ABSENT: Community Liaison Richard Wright

Commissioner Stenta made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 23, 2021 meeting; 2nd by Commissioner Hafner; Roll Vote: Yes 3; Opposed: 0; Abstentions: 0; Absent: 0.

Chief's Report: The police department received a thank you from Cheryl Williams who thanked the police officers for their help during an accident she was involved in back in July, 2020. The department received a thank you from the Commitment to Kids from the Rosendale/Tillson American Legion and the Bloomington Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary for the department's donation of toys for their annual toy drive. Chief Schaffrick stated he received a letter regarding Investigator Fischer thanking him for his work over the years for the community. Chief Schaffrick received a thank you from Barbara and Kevin thanking the police department for all that they do. Chief received a thank you from Mary Fairchild thanking Officer Vincent for her help during the recent ice storm. Chief also received a thank you from the Ulster Corps thanking the department for keeping our families and community safe. Chief Schaffrick also copied some of the Police Department's Facebook posts of thank you comments from the public. Supervisor Walsh thanked Chief Schaffrick and the police department for all of their help during the ice storm. Chief Schaffrick thanked Officer Vincent for her help at the warming center during the ice storm.

Personnel: Chief Schaffrick stated that Officer Fagerstrom completed Phase II of the academy and completed his field training. Sergeant Quigley has started working with the department and she is working on accreditation. Officer Vail has started working and has been working on his own. Officer Fagerstrom was deployed during the Civil Service Test and he was able to take the test a few weeks ago and is waiting his test results. Officer Secreto is expected to leave the department within the next few weeks to move to a full time position. Chief Schaffrick received the resignation of Daniel Odendahl at the end of December, 2021.

Vehicles: 7F362, the Ford Inceptor, was involved in a minor accident due to ice and slid on ice and into an ice embankment causing damage to the bumper cover and it has since been repaired. 7F364 was involved in a two car accident in front of the station, and should be repaired in the beginning of March.

Computers/Servers: Everything is well with the computers. We are still waiting for 1 computer since December. The new server is up and running with no issues.

Body Worn Cameras: Chief Schaffrick stated that the department was awarded another 50/50 Grant for an additional 6 body worn cameras. The cameras have been used for training and for reviewing incidents.

Grants: Nothing new for the Grants and we are all up to date.

Department STATS: Chief stated that there have been 591 calls for service to date. There have been 17 criminal in nature cases; 6 arrests to date; there have been 7 personal injury automobile accidents and 20 property damage automobile accidents to date.

The Annual Report was given to the Police Commission, the Town Board and was also posted on the Town's website. Chief Schaffrick stated that he will be present at the March Town Board Meeting to answer any questions. The digital dashboard is set and Chief will be attending a meeting on that tomorrow and the dashboard will be updated on the 15th of each month.

Training: The department will be attending training for Principled Policing this Sunday as part of a three part series and training dates in April and the end of May are scheduled. Sergeant Quigley attended a training last week held by the Attorney General's Office regarding office of misconduct. Officers Marsh and Funccius attended training last week for impaired driving. Investigator Fischer will be attending a Background Investigation training in April, 2022.

Accreditation is moving along and Chief Schaffrick hopes to have it completed by the end of 2022.

Annual Use of Force was completed and released as a stand along report and it was included in the department's Annual Report.

Comment Cards have been issued since January 1st and the department has received approximately 30 cards out of 200 cards issued. The cards have been positive and Chief checked 1 card that was neutral, and he followed up with the person and the issue was clarified.

Evaluations - Sergeant Lewis has been working on the evaluations.

New Business:

Chief Schaffrick stated that Councilman Havranek asked to move the meetings to 3:30 p.m. Everyone on the Committee had no objection to moving the time of the meetings to 3:30 p.m. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to move the meeting time to 3:30 p.m.; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta. Roll Vote: 3 Yes; Opposed: 0; Abstentions: 0; Absent: 0.

Supervisor Walsh stated that the Chief will be at the March Town Board meeting to answer any questions about the Annual Report and she thanked him for his work. Councilman Havranek and Commissioner Hafner thanked the Chief and all of the officers for their work during the ice storm. Supervisor Walsh thanked Commissioner Hafner and all of the Fire Departments and Highway Department for all of their work during the ice storm.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 2:59 p.m.; 2nd by Commissioner Hafner; Roll Vote: Yes 3; Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0; Absent: 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Dingman
Deputy Town Clerk