

## ROSENDALE POLICE COMMISSION

### Commissioners Supervisor Jeanne Walsh, Anthony Stenta, Joe Hafner

April 26, 2022 Police Commission Meeting  
Rondout Municipal Center  
3:32 p.m. Meeting called to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Walsh

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

ABSENT: Community Liaison Richard Wright

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2022 meeting; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: Yes 3; Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0.

Correspondence: Chief Schaffrick received a letter from the Rondout Valley Lions Club to do their annual can shake on April 2, 2022 and there were no issues.

#### Chief's Report:

Vehicles: Chief Schaffrick stated that the equipment has been removed from 364. Chief Schaffrick has been reaching out to various companies to see what vehicles are available and when they would be available. There was a discussion about vehicles.

Computer/Server: There is nothing to report.

Evidence Management System: The department purchased and received the digital printer and the evidence will be updated and there is a scanner with the system to switch the audit books and log books over. Investigator Bell and Sergeant Quigley will go through everything and bar-code and tag all of the evidence which will be easier to track and dispose of when necessary.

Body Cameras: Chief Schaffrick ordered the additional 5 cameras through the matching grant.

Grants: Chief Schaffrick has the Ulster County STOP DWI allocation meeting in May and that funding allows the department to have a second or third car out on patrol at night. Chief Schaffrick filed for the Governor Traffic Safety grant which is for school zones, speeding. Sergeant Quigley applied for the Car Seat Grant and Officer Vincent, Officer Marsh and Sergeant Quigley are certified for installing car seats. Chief Schaffrick stated there is grant through the Governor Traffic Safety Board for equipment and Chief Schaffrick applied for a grant for a variable message board. It could be used for speeding and it will give a report to see what enforcement is needed.

Training - Cycle 2 training will begin in May which will continue into June which includes spring firearm qualifications and reality based training scenarios. Officer Funccius attended a firearms training. Officer Funccius and Officer Fagerstrom will be attending the Crisis Intervention training in the spring.

Portable radios - Chief Schaffrick stated that the department received the portable radios last week. Chief Schaffrick stated that the county received a grant for a radio system to start next year and our department will receive extra portables from the County to use as demos. Chief Schaffrick stated that the County might be interested in putting a radio tower on the back of the Town's property in the future and a brief discussion was had.

Accreditation is still being worked on. The department is working on the evidence vault.

Use of force - There was one incident during a DWI stop and the subject tried to leave the scene. The subject threatened a female officer and another officer arrived on scene and the subject was removed from the vehicle using a trained arm-bar technique. There were no injuries to any party.

Department STATS: Chief Schaffrick stated that there have been 1,469 calls for service (incidents) to date, there have been 52 criminal in nature, 18 arrests. Chief Schaffrick had a printout of what the digital dashboard could look like once it is completed and there was a brief discussion on it.

Comment cards - Chief Schaffrick stated that 159 cards were issued, and 30 were returned to the department which were all positive except 1 which was resolved because it was a civil matter. Chief Schaffrick stated that he has enough cards to do it again the fall. The Police Commission would do another survey for November and will look at the questions to either keep the same or change them and a discussion was had.

#### New Business:

Fee Structure - Chief Schaffrick stated that the department is looking to use a fee structure that would be used races and movies been filmed in Town. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to send the new fee recommendations to the Town Board for approval; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta. Roll Vote: Yes 3; Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0.

Chief Schaffrick stated that the department had 2 older firearms that are not in service and he would like to replace with newer models. He would be able to trade them in and would get a credit of \$235.00 per gun. Chief Schaffrick would like to cycle out the old ones every year.

COPPS Grant - Chief Schaffrick had a printout regarding the grant and the department would receive 3 years of funding to pay for an officer. A brief discussion was had about the grant.

Commissioner Hafner stated that he was contacted by a resident about speeding on Webster Lock Road. Chief Schaffrick stated that he was also contacted and an officer went and spoke to the complainant and person and the matter was resolved. A brief discussion was had regarding posting of speed limits.

Personnel: Chief Schaffrick is waiting to see about hiring another police officer. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept Colin Bell as part time Police Officer/Investigator; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: Yes 3; Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept Cory Schmidt as part-time Police Officer; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: Yes 3; Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept the retirement of Officer Robert Fischer effective April 15, 2022.; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: Yes 3; Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to go into Executive Session at 4:54 p.m. to discuss the employment of a particular person; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: Yes: 3; Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0.

Executive Session ended at 5:09 and Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 5:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Dingman  
Deputy Town Clerk