

## ROSENDALE POLICE COMMISSION

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

August 23, 2022 Police Commission Meeting  
Rondout Municipal Center  
3:32 p.m. Meeting called to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Walsh

PRESENT: Supervisor Walsh, Commissioner Stenta (via telephone), Chief Scott Schaffrick, Councilman Havranek, Community Liaison Terry Johnson,

ABSENT: Commissioner Hafner, Community Liaison Richard Wright

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 28, 2022 meeting; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: Yes 2; Opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0, Absent: Commissioner Hafner.

Correspondence: Chief Schaffrick received a letter thanking Officer Funccius for his professionalism handling an accident. Chief Schaffrick posted a Facebook post letting the community know that the police respond to all police, fire and medical calls within the Town. Chief received a Facebook message thanking Officer Vincent for her response and giving medical aid to a bicycle accident. Chief received a Facebook message thanking Officer Wilson who was working on a disabled vehicle on the side of the road. Chief Schaffrick posted a Facebook post regarding Sergeant Quigley and Detective Benjamin from the Town of Ulster Police Department who both secured the scene and began rendering medical aid and used an AED to an individual at JKF Airport until airport medical personnel arrived. Chief posted a Facebook post regarding Officer Funccius who responded to a water emergency at Williams Lake. Chief posted a Facebook post regarding Officer Funccius who responded along with Bloomington Fire Department and were able to safely bring a man safely off of a roof he was working on. Chief Schaffrick stated he received an email from Jennifer Bliss, who was on the Rosendale Police Reform Committee who was grateful to serve on that committee and she was very positive for the Police Department. Chief Schaffrick posted a Facebook post to the Rosendale Street Festival congratulating the organizers for a successful return of the festival.

Chief's Report: Personnel: Chief Schaffrick expected 2 resignations but held off and only scheduled those officers for a few shifts for the month but expects a few resignations in the future. Chief stated that he is looking to hire a few officers in the future.

Vehicles: Chief Schaffrick stated that the new vehicle hit a deer and is at Smitty's Body Shop and waiting for the estimate and should take a few weeks to fix.

Body Worn Cameras: Chief Schaffrick stated that he is still waiting for the 5 body worn cameras.

Grants: Chief Schaffrick stated that the department did not receive the New York State Governor's police services grant this year but did receive a grant in the sum of \$1,500.00 for child safety seats. Chief Schaffrick discussed the grant and stated that the department has 3 trained car seat certified technicians. Chief stated that the department received \$2,000.00 for the Ulster County STOP DWI Grant and that he was still waiting to hear about the Ulster County STOP DWI High Visibility grant. Chief Schaffrick applied for a car computer grant since he is looking to replace a computer in a vehicle and he discussed the computer system. Chief is looking into an EMS Grant and will report back next month. There was a brief discussion about medical services. Chief

Schaffrick stated that Sgt. Quigley and Officer Vincent are going through to restock the police department's medical bags.

Training: Chief Schaffrick stated that there are no updates for training except looking into the EMS program. He is scheduling the Procedural Justice 3 in October. Supervisor Walsh asked about the Questionnaire from the Police Reform Committee for the Police Commission to review and there was a brief discussion.

Department Stats: Chief Schaffrick stated that there have been 3,080 calls for service; there are 146 open cases which are criminal in nature; there have been 60 arrests and Investigator Bell has been working on closing older cases; there have been 16 personal injury automobile accidents and 77 property damage accidents.

Old Business: Chief Schaffrick spoke to NYS Department of Transportation regarding the area of Route 32 by the Rec Center and the Chief requested from Ulster County 911 the number of accidents in that area and there have been 45 accidents in a 4 year period. Chief sent information package to them to review and he will do a site review and Chief will extend to Town Board members and will set a date and time to go to the site. There was a discussion regarding the speed zones on Route 32 and town roads and possibility lowering the speed limits. Chief stated that Investigator Bell has been working on warrants and closing cases; he has also worked on sex offender cases and we have 9 living in town and all are verified and up to date on their information. Departments are looking to switch sex offender registry to "offender watch" and schedule to go over on or about October 1 and it is on an app that a person can download on their phone or computer. Discussion was had about what is required such as photos, check-ins and the levels. Investigator Bell is also conducting an evidence audit back to 2003 and working forward. He is hoping to have it completed by October. The department is still working toward accreditation and looking to be completed next year. Sergeant Quigley is working on showing that all of the paperwork is completed.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 4:16 p.m.; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: Yes 2; opposed: 0, Abstentions: 0, Absent: Commissioner Hafner.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Dingman  
Deputy Town Clerk