

ROSENDALE POLICE COMMISSION

Commissioners Supervisor Jeanne Walsh, Anthony Stenta, Joe Hafner

October 24, 2023 Police Commission Meeting

Rondout Municipal Center

3:37 p.m. Meeting called to Order

Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Walsh

Present: Supervisor Walsh, Commissioner Hafner, Commissioner Stenta; Chief Scott Schaffrick, Community Liaison Richard Wright

Absent: Councilman Havranek, Community Liaison Terry Johnson

Commissioner Hafner made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2023 meeting; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: 3 Yes.

Chief's Report: Correspondence: Chief Schaffrick had a letter from Cottekill Fire Department regarding a CPR life save that Officer Patty Vincent was on the scene. Chief Schaffrick had correspondence regarding the High Visibility STOP DWI grant. Chief Schaffrick had a letter of certification from Division of Criminal Justice Services as a result of an audit done on all police agencies. Supervisor Walsh stated there were changes to the Police Commission survey. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the Police Commission Survey as amended; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta; Roll Vote: 3 Yes. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to post the survey on the Town Website and Town Facebook pages and to leave copies of the survey in the Town Clerk's Office and at the Police Department and to keep posted until December 31, 2023; 2nd by Commissioner Hafner; Roll Vote: 3 Yes.

Chief's Report: Chief Schaffrick stated that the CPR save that Officer Vincent was at was her second this year and believes her forth in her career here. Chief stated she will be recognized by the department and he will nominate her for Life Saving Award to the Ulster County Police Chief's Awards. Chief Schaffrick stated that the letter he received from Division of Criminal Justice Service (DCJS) approves the department certification through 2024. Chief stated he had a meeting with DCJS, Ulster County Personnel, Civil Service, the Police Academy, County Executive's Office, Police Chief's committee regarding hiring, practices and policies polices and briefly discussed that meeting.

Personnel: Chief Schaffrick has no resignations and currently has a background investigation on going. Chief Schaffrick is looking to conduct interviews before the end of the year.

Vehicles: Chief Schaffrick stated that all vehicles have winter tires on. Chief Schaffrick stated that 365, the new Dodge, will be in service tomorrow and that the old 365 will be off the road tomorrow and the Town Board has to decide what to do with the older vehicle.

Grants: Chief Schaffrick stated he received the DWI High Visibility grant in the amount of \$4,700.00 which starts October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 and that this is the grant that has the extra patrols out. He received the LiveScan Grant in the amount of \$23,000.00 for the digital fingerprinting. Chief Schaffrick stated that he is purchasing cabinets and countertop that will have both the LiveScan and Data Master on it. Chief Schaffrick stated that he applied for a new technology grant for 2 new car computers, server and software that need updating, lighting for 2 new vehicles, in the amount of \$48,000.00.

Department STATS: Chief Schaffrick stated that there have been 3,375 calls for service to date, there are 224 criminal cases, there have been 112 arrests, and there have been 17 personal injury accidents and 77 property damage accidents.

Training: Chief Schaffrick stated that Cycle 4 training was cancelled by the Sheriff's Department. Chief Schaffrick is scheduling an in-house training here in December and will have case building, court prep for cases.

Old Business: Chief Schaffrick stated that the department has handed out 2 gift cards/food cards which were provided by the Food Pantry. Accreditation: Supervisor Walsh asked about Accreditation. Chief Schaffrick stated that Sergeant Quigley has been working on accreditation and that the audit was part of it. Chief Schaffrick described the hiring process, policies, criteria and testing , and that he wanted to price exactly what the cost is to hire a new officer.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 4:00 p.m.; 2nd by Commissioner Stenta. Roll Vote: 3 Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Dingman
Deputy Town Clerk