

CITY OF PORT JERVIS

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Police Committee Meeting Agenda

18 April 2024 6pm

Meeting Agenda

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Vicchiariello with the following members in attendance: Mr. O'Connell, Ms. Fuller, Ms. Mann, Mr. Rhoades, Ms. Dennison.

Public Comment

New Business

- The Chief of Police reviewed the 1st Quarter Report of key statistical data with the committee.
- 2023 Statistical Dashboard containing a summary of vital statistics for department operations was reviewed.
- SWLE Program – Social Work Internship Update – Social Worker Intern program is progressing successfully. Internship will be completed during the latter portion of May. Department intern Lisa Wattoff has developed significant inter-agency relationships and has been assisting officers through follow-up with cases involving mental health, juveniles, and homelessness.
- Grants Review – Major Projects
 - \$100,000 Awarded by Sen. Skoufis to the City allocated towards completing range training facility.
- Training Report
 - Lt. Christopher Sargente was selected to attend the *Mid-Atlantic Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar (MALEEDS)* held in Princeton, New Jersey Sunday, June 9, 2024, through Friday, June 14, 2024. Only 60% of applicants are accepted into this program. Lt. Sargente joins seventy other law enforcement professionals from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York for an outstanding week of executive level training and networking sponsored by the FBI. Costs incurred for tuition, meals and lodging will be covered by budget resources and asset forfeiture account funds.
 - Empire State Law Enforcement Traffic Safety Conference -Chief of Police will be attending a two-day traffic safety conference in Bolton Landing, NY with all costs covered by the New York State Police.
 - NYSACOP Conference July 14th – 17th – Chief of Police scheduled to attend an annual training conference for Chief's of Police in Buffalo, New York in addition to attending the NYSACOP Traffic Safety meeting during this conference. Costs

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1st Qtr. Training Summary 2024

All Personnel

- Bloodborne pathogens
- Sexual harassment in the workplace
- Violence/anti-harassment in the workplace
- Exculpatory evidence
- MPTC de-escalation
- MPTC identification procedures
- MPTC use of force and deadly force
- Defensive tactics
- First aid/stop the bleed recertification
- Legal updates- Orange County District Attorney's Office

Specialized Training Course Assignments:

- Anti-bias training for law enforcement officers
- Crisis intervention-introduction
- Ghost gun investigations
- Project Able- Basic Certification Course
- New tools to combat New York's fentanyl crisis.
- Bomb threat / swatting hoaxes.
- Orange County leadership speaker series
- Tactical disengagement and de-escalation
- Solving the false alarm problem
- Consensual street encounters
- OCPA field training officer course - academy instructor
- Annual taser certification instructor
- DMV photo request procedures
- Lawful access data collection- DOJ
- Risk assessment - high risk arrest planning.
- Conducting traffic stops in NYS: How to appropriately apply the law.
- Traffic safety points of contact webinar
- Basic child passenger safety course
- Safeguarding children of arrested parents
- Law enforcement disability awareness
- Street surveillance techniques course
- Basical criminal investigations course
- Peer Support In-Service - EAP

- Outreach Summary/Prevention/Events- Review
 - Drug Take Back 10am-2pm Wellness (blood pressure screenings, Narcan training, fall prevention services – Bon Secours
 - Remote Site Pick-up 12-1230pm Machackemach Village
 - Machackemach Village Senior Safety Events are being planned for the summer 2024.
 - M&T Bank – Senior Safety Initiatives- Bank staff have requested to partner to provide fraud prevention programs to local senior citizen clubs.
 - Community Collaborative Forum – Scheduled for May 9th 9am -11am – Purpose: Facilitate communication and partnerships among community agencies, government, schools, law enforcement to address community concerns, discuss anti-violence prevention outreach and initiatives. The department will use SNUG Grant funds or Asset Forfeiture to finance the cost of this meeting.
 - Tabletop Drill – May- Watershed Trail Rescue- The department is planning to organize and facilitate a multi-emergency service tabletop exercise pertaining to the watershed trail systems to improve coordinated emergency responses.
 - DARE Program -Updates: May 22nd Baseball Game (Scranton Rail Riders), June 13th DARE Picnic Space Memorial Park, June 18th Graduation – PJHS (Lesson 9 out of 10)
 - National Crime Victims’ Rights Week 4/21-4/27-2024
 - PJHS Emergency Services Club – May 8th, 15th, 22nd presentations scheduled with the Port Jervis Police Department
 - Orange County Stop DWI Award recipient- Det. Stanley Buczek

- Traffic/Signage
 - Crosswalk Request- River Road from exit of Kolmar to Michael McCarthy walking path adjacent to Delaware River.
 - An All-Way Stop intersection has been implemented at the intersection of Jersey Avenue and Fowler Street.
 - A Loading Zone has been implemented at the request of the First Presbyterian Church on Sussex Street adjacent to the church social hall.

Old Business

- Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Quotes- City of Port Jervis health and safety project. The Chief of Police has been researching AED units and pricing for the purpose of purchasing AED units for City departments. Based upon a review of pricing quotes and products by department medical trainers Christopher Mehedin and Seth Mortenson, it is recommended to purchase Zoll AED Plus Semi-Automatic AED units and supplies through Cardiac Life with pricing governed through OGS Contract period is 06/01/2020-

05/31/2025. Group # 38232 Award # 23173 in addition to volume discount utilizing a ZOLL AED promotion totaling \$36,410.00. (2024 appropriated budget \$37,735.00). (23) Twenty-three AED units, wall cabinet, AED pads, supplies, training package will be purchased for this price. The committee forwarded the request to Finance for review.

- Medical Trauma Supplies for Patrol Cars – The department is researching various medical trauma kits that contain medical supplies designed to mitigate bleeding resulting from serious injuries. Patrol vehicles will be outfitted with these kits.
- Port Jervis Civil Service has scheduled a Fitness Test for police officer candidates on May 4th Delaware Valley High School due to track and field improvements scheduled at the Port Jervis High School.

Committee Comments –

- Ms. Dennison requested the committee review a traffic problem involving tractor trailer traffic turning on to North Maple Avenue and having no access to Neversink Drive due to the North Maple Avenue tunnel.
- In addition, the committee discussed the “No Turn on Red” sign located on North Maple Avenue at the intersection with East Main Street and requested a review of the traffic control device to determine if right turns on red can be permitted.
- Mr. Rhoades recommended the committee review the intersection of Hamilton / Canal Streets to determine if an all way stop intersection is warranted due to visibility issues and crashes.

Public Comment

Executive Session 7:25 pm – 7:35 pm

- Police Personnel – Request for a Leave of Absence – Committee reviewed a leave of absence request from an employee with the police department. No action was taken by the committee at this time.
- Dispatcher P/T Applicants – Committee provided update on the status of a part time dispatcher application.

Adjournment 7:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

William J. Worden

Chief of Police