

CITY OF PORT JERVIS

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Police Committee

24 February 2026

Meeting Minutes

6:10 p.m.: Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mr. Vicchiariello, Mr. O'Connell, Ms. Mazzara, Mr. Rhoades, Ms. Dennison, Chief Worden

Public Comment: No comments received from the public.

New Business

• **Crime Statistics:** Reviewed January 2026 crime statistics, the 2025 Statistical Dashboard, and the 2025 Use of Force Summary Report.

• Police Activities:

- Homicide investigation and arrest – Hammond Street
- CPCS 1 arrest – Andre Roach
- Shipment of cosmetic theft from KDC 1

• Community Policing Events:

- National Night Out Against Crime scheduled for August 4 at EME Elementary School
- Read Across America, March 6 at EME and HBE Elementary Schools
- Senior Fraud Prevention and Drone Presentation scheduled for April 8 and April 22

• Police Officer Hiring Process:

- Requesting Civil Service lists for two vacancies: general and city-preferred lists
- Interview Process: A hiring committee has been established, consisting of two police committee members, two public advisory committee members, the Chief of Police, and command staff. Interviews are scheduled for March 10 and March 11, 2026.
- Academy Start Date: April 13, 2026

• Goals and Objectives:

The committee discussed prioritizing public education, officer training, and enforcement of state laws related to e-bikes and e-scooters for the 2026–2027 goals.

• Grant Funding:

The department obtained \$50,000 from Senator James Skoufis through the DCJS Accreditation Grant Program – CREST Grant to replace the 2017 Tahoe supervisor's vehicle.

• Vehicle Replacement 2026:

The department is obtaining quotes for the replacement of a 2017 Charger (Car 14).

• **Training Activities:** Members participated in the following:

- Leadership Training
- Defensive Tactics Training
- Compliance Training
- Chief Worden and Lt. Sargente attended a Law Enforcement Symposium on January 27, sponsored by the U.S. Attorney’s Office and the Orange County District Attorney’s Office
- Port Jervis Watershed Emergency Services Tabletop Exercise has been postponed and will be rescheduled for April 2026

• **Traffic Safety:**

- Handicap Parking Sign Request: The committee reviewed a request for a handicapped parking sign on Pike Street in front of the Port Jervis Library.
- Pike Street 30-Minute Parking Update: Two complaints were received in January regarding motorists allegedly being confronted by a store owner about the use of a 30-minute parking space. The committee is monitoring the situation, and all parties are advised to contact the police at the time of any incident.

• **DCJS STRIVE Grant Program:**

The Chief provided an update on the department’s February 23, 2026, submission for a \$50,000 STRIVE II Initiative grant.

- The STRIVE program allocates \$23 million statewide to support law enforcement, district attorneys, domestic violence service providers, and partner agencies in improving response, mitigation, and prosecution of domestic violence—specifically intimate partner violence.
- The department’s request would support participation in the Orange County program alongside City of Middletown PD, City of Newburgh PD, Town of New Windsor PD, the Orange County District Attorney’s Office, Sheriff’s Office, Probation Department, and Fearless! Hudson Valley.
- Funding would reimburse overtime for domestic-violence-related trainings, conferences, STRIVE and RRRP meetings, and directed patrols intended to prevent or respond to intimate partner violence.
- The Chief and lieutenants participated in the STRIVE II Kick-Off Webinar on February 2, 2026, and are scheduled to attend STRIVE II Orientation on March 17, 2026, at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, New York.

• **Orange and Rockland Community Giving Grant:**

The department was awarded \$2,000 from Orange and Rockland Utilities to support National Night Out Against Crime and the annual Harvest Festival.

• **PERMA Lexipol Grant:**

The department was awarded \$4,267 from PERMA to offset costs associated with the annual Lexipol Policy and Training software program. This represents 30% of the total annual subscription cost (\$15,769).

• **Dispatcher Candidate:**

The committee reviewed the application and background of dispatcher candidate Steve Schlangen and moved the matter to the Common Council for consideration.

Central Arraignment Court Update:

- The committee reviewed challenges associated with participating in the Orange County Central Arraignment Court process, including overtime costs for prisoner transport, loss of patrol resources, and extended custody periods.
- The committee supports virtual arraignments.
- The Chief will participate in an upcoming stakeholder meeting coordinated through the Orange County Chiefs' Association.

Old Business

- **Grant Reimbursements:** The department continues working on outstanding grant reimbursements, including the SNUG Anti-Violence Program.
- **NICHE RMS Update:** Training has been completed. The NICHE system has been installed on desktops. Internal training will occur in March and April.

Committee Comments

• Mr. Vicchiariello:

- Requested patrols monitor compliance with the new traffic pattern at Pike and Water Street
- Requested deployment of the speed monitor on Pike Street (southbound lane, south of the underpass) to record traffic speeds approaching King Street
- Noted an increase in crack cocaine-related arrests and associated violent crime trends

• Ms. Dennison:

- Commended the department's rapid apprehension of the homicide suspect and professional investigation

Public Comment: No comments received from members of the public.

Executive Session: N/A

Adjournment: 7:40 p.m.

Attachments: 2025 Statistical Dashboard, 2025 Use of Force Summary Report

Respectfully Submitted,

William J. Worden

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Chief of Police



2025 PORT JERVIS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICAL DASHBOARD

STATISTICAL DASHBOARD	2025	2024
TOTAL COMPLAINTS FOR THE YEAR	11195	12,289
TOTAL TRAFFIC STOPS FOR THE YEAR	2487	3028
TOTAL TICKETS ISSUED FOR THE YEAR	2643	2672
TOTAL AUTO ACCIDENTS FOR THE YEAR	313	314
TOTAL MILEAGE ON PATROL VEHICLES	111,094	115,796
PJPD USE OF FORCE REPORTS FILED	56	61
NYS USE OF FORCE REPORTING	17	21
TOTAL DOMESTICS FOR THE YEAR	334	409
ANIMAL CONTROL COMPLAINTS	328	371
PRISONERS DETAINED LOCALLY	108	107
TOTAL ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR	918	882
PART I OFFENSES <i>(Non IBR)</i>	140	168
PART II OFFENSES <i>(Non IBR)</i>	549	529
TOTAL IBR OFFENSES	955	953
INCIDENTS/CALLS FOR SERVICE – WARD 1	10.4%	12%
INCIDENTS/CALLS FOR SERVICE – WARD 2	51.3%	48%
INCIDENTS/CALLS FOR SERVICE – WARD 3	11.3%	13%
INCIDENTS/CALLS FOR SERVICE – WARD 4	27%	27%
TRAFFIC TICKETS ISSUED: 2025: Wh 77%, Afr. Amer. 20%, Unk/Other 1.6%, Native 0.2%, Asian 1.2%, Hisp: 76%, Non Hisp 24%		
TRAFFIC WARNINGS: <i>(By Race)</i> 2025: Wh. 77%, Blk 19%, Asian 1.2%, Native 0.1%, Other 0.5%, Unk 2.3% Hispanic 17%, non-Hispanic 79%, Unk Ethn 4%		

USE OF FORCE REPORTING 2025

Port Jervis Police Department Policy requires officers to file a Use of Force Report to document the force used by officers in the course of their duties. According to the New York Division of Criminal Justice Service, the following criteria are used to determine Qualifying Reports in the State Reporting Database. When an officer engages in conduct that results in the death or serious bodily injury of another person, or when one of the following is initiated by an officer:

- Display a Chemical Agent
- Use/Deploy a Chemical Agent
- Brandishes a Firearm
- Uses/Discharges a Firearm
- Brandishes an Electronic Control Weapon
- Uses/Deploys an Electronic Control Weapon
- Brandishes an Impact Weapon
- Uses/Deploys an Impact Weapon
- Uses a Chokehold or Other Similar Restraint

Use of Force Statistical Information			
GENERAL	DEMOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION [AGE]	DEMOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION [ETHNICITY]	FORCE TYPE <i>(Note- Multiple types of Force may be used in one incident)</i>
Total Persons-55	16 & below - 4	White - 66%	Vehicle Pursuit - 14
State Reportable -17	17 - 3	Black - 16%	Foot Pursuit - 2
Male -49.5%	18-24 -11	Unk Race - 18%	Suspect Possessed Weapon - 1
Female -32.5%	25-34 - 9	Hispanic - 14%	Restraint/Physical Control -36
Unknown - 18%	35-44 -14	Non-Hispanic- 68%	Firearm Display -2
	45-54 - 2	Unk Ethnicity 18%	Taser/CED Display - 3
	55+ - 2		OC Use/Display - 14
	Unknown 10		Combination [Restraint/Physical Force with other Force Types] - 14
Percentage of Total Calls for Service - 11,195 0.49%			
Percentage of All Adult Arrests, Juvenile Arrests, Traffic Tickets -5.8%			

ARREST DEMOGRAPHICS (Finger printable Offenses DCJS Misd/Felony)

- 16-17- 1%
- 18-20 - 6%
- 21-24 - 11%
- 25-29 - 14%
- 30-34 - 16%
- 35-39 - 19%
- 40-44 - 9%
- 45-49 - 8%
- 50-54 - 5%
- 55+ - 11%

MALE - 80 %
FEMALE - 20%

RACE/ETHNICITY:

- White - 62.6%
- Black - 21.8%
- Hispanic - 13.5%
- Asian - 0%
- Other/Unknown - 2.1%

Fingerprintable Arrests by Port Jervis City PD: 2025

	Total Arrests	Felony Arrests					Misdemeanor Arrests					
		Total	Drug	Violent	DWI	Other	Total	Drug	DWI	Property	Other	
Sex	Total	326	92	18	17	6	51	234	38	89	42	65
	Male	262	76	10	15	4	47	186	30	67	33	56
	Female	64	16	8	2	2	4	48	8	22	9	9
Race/Ethnicity	Total	326	92	18	17	6	51	234	38	89	42	65
	White	204	50	10	9	3	28	154	30	54	29	41
	Black	71	23	4	3	1	15	48	6	18	9	15
	Hispanic	44	14	3	4	2	5	30	1	16	4	9
	Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other-Unknown	7	5	1	1	0	3	2	1	1	0	0
Age at Crime	Total	326	92	18	17	6	51	234	38	89	42	65
	JO 13-15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	16-17	3	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	18-20	20	10	0	4	0	6	10	0	1	2	7
	21-24	37	10	0	6	1	3	27	0	13	5	9
	25-29	47	11	1	2	1	7	36	3	12	6	15
	30-34	51	12	0	1	2	9	39	9	12	5	13
	35-39	60	14	8	2	0	4	46	6	18	12	10
	40-44	30	10	0	0	1	9	20	7	6	4	3
	45-49	27	5	2	0	1	2	22	7	11	4	0
	50-54	15	6	1	0	0	5	9	2	5	1	1
	55+	36	11	6	0	0	5	25	4	11	3	7

Source: DCJS. Computerized Criminal History File (as of 1/15/2026)

2025 USE OF FORCE SUMMARY

TOTAL REPORTS FILED: 56

TOTAL PERSONS FORCED USED UPON: 55 [1 individual involved in multiple incidents]

TOTAL REPORTS MEETING STATE REPORTING CRITERIA: 17

FORCE REASON: (some may involve combinations)

- Passive Resistance: 20
 - Active Resistance: 17
 - Non-Compliant: 24
 - Destroying Property: 1
 - Imminent Threat of Assault: 7
 - Assaultive – P.I.: 1
 - Assaultive – S.P.I./Death: 0
 - Weapon: 1
 - Other: 2
- 'Other' Force Reasons Include: failure to comply*

FORCE TYPES: (some may involve combinations)

- Empty Hand Control - Soft: 32
- Empty Hand Control - Hard: 4
- Empty Hand – Combination (Soft & Hard): 14
- OC Display: 7
- OC Use/Deployment: 7
- Impact Weapon – Pointed At: 0
- Impact Weapon – Used: 0
- Taser – Pointed At: 3
- Taser – Used/Deployed: 1
- Firearm – Pointed At: 2
- Firearm – Used: 0
- K9 Display: 0
- K9 Pursuit/Apprehension: 0
- K9 Bite: 0
- Chokehold or Similar Restraint: 0
- Spike Strips: 0
- Bola Wrap Display – No Deployment: 0
- Bola Wrap Deployment: 0

PURSUIITS:

- Foot Pursuit: 2
- Vehicle Pursuit: 14

- Vehicle and Foot: 0

INCIDENTS BY AGE, TIME OF DAY AND SHIFT

AGE GROUP	INCIDENTS	TIME OF DAY	INCIDENTS	SHIFT	INCIDENTS
16 & below	4	0700-1100	5	0700-1500	8
17	3	1100-1500	3		
18-24	11	1500-1900	11	1500-2300	24
25-34	9	1900-2300	13		
35-44	14	2300-0300	19	2300-0700	24
45-54	2	0300-0700	5		
55 +	2	N/A	1		
N/A	10				

REPORTS FILED BY MONTH

JANUARY: 6	JULY: 7
FEBRUARY: 1	AUGUST: 4
MARCH: 0	SEPTEMBER: 3
APRIL: 5	OCTOBER: 7
MAY: 5	NOVEMBER: 4
JUNE: 5	DECEMBER: 5

DEMOGRAPHICS

**percentage calculated based upon individual persons per report filed (61 reports, 60 individuals)*

GENDER	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
Male	27	49.5%
Female	18	32.5%
Unknown	10	18%

RACE / ETHNICITY	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
White	37	66%
Black	9	16%
Other Races	0	0%
Unknown Race	10	18%
Hispanic	8	14%
Non-Hispanic	38	68%
Unknown Ethnicity	10	18%

FACTORS:

- 9 cases or 16% involved a defendant suffering from a mental health condition.
- 0 cases involved a combination of mental health and alcohol intoxication.
- 15 cases or 27% involved defendants who were under the influence of alcohol.
- 3 cases or 5% involved defendants who were under the influence of a narcotic.
- 3 cases or 5% involved defendants who were under the influence of both alcohol and narcotic(s).

WEAPONS:

- 1 reports or 1.8% involved a weapon or threat of a weapon.
- Weapon types encountered: Handgun.

INJURIES:

Officers:

- None noted.

Defendants:

- 7 injuries reported, 0 fatalities.

STATISTICS: 2025 - PERCENTAGE INVOLVING SOME LEVEL OR DEGREE OF FORCE

CATEGORY	TOTAL	PERCENT INVOLVING FORCE
Calls / Incidents	11,195	0.49%
Arrests	948 *Total Adult/Juvenile/Tickets	5.68%

% Based upon persons

Total Juvenile Contacts: 167 (for percentage of juvenile cases age 17 and below that may have a use of force)

Total Adult Arrests: 918