

CITY OF PORT JERVIS

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Police Committee Meeting Agenda
17 October 2024



Meeting Agenda

Call to order- Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Mr. Vicchiariello with the following members present: Mr. O'Connell, Ms. Fuller, Mr. Oney, Ms. Dennison, Chief Worden.

Public Comment – 3rd ward resident Jackie Smith requested a speed study be conducted on Hudson Street between the intersections of Mountain Ave and Hudson Street due to complaints of speeding.

New Business

- **Dispatcher Staffing** – full time- The Chief discussed current part time staffing vacancies within the police department central communications desk and researching the cost of adding one full time dispatch position in 2025.
- **Police Officer Staffing**- Several staffing vacancies currently exist in the police department necessitating overtime to cover shifts. Port Jervis Civil Service Commission is canvassing the current civil service list for eligible candidates.
- **Juv. Aid Bureau** – Funding Request submitted to the Orange County Youth Bureau for 2025 financial assistance to support outreach and prevention programs.
- **Social Work/Systems Coordinator Grant Application** – The Chief is drafting a funding request to Sen. Skoufis' office for potential financial assistance to implement a system's coordinator position within the department.
- **Confidential Adm. Assist Position** – The CSEA and Civil Service Commission are researching the feasibility of potentially incorporating the Confidential Administrative Assistants Position at the Police Department into the CSEA union.
- **DARE Program Assistance** – OCDA will provide \$3000 assistance to off set costs incurred to the department for providing the DARE Program to EME and HBE Schools in addition to the Too Good for Drugs Program at Port Jervis Middle School.
- **OC Drug Task Force**- The Chief met with District Attorney David Hoovler pertaining to his request for Port Jervis Police part time representation on the Orange County Drug Task Force involving the reimbursement of overtime incurred during OCDTF investigations.

Asset Forfeiture Funds- The City recently received \$23,357.33 in asset forfeiture funds from the Orange County District Attorney's Office regarding narcotics cases investigated by the Port Jervis PD and Orange County Drug Task Force.

- Explosive Detection Canine Grants- The Chief is researching grant opportunities for adding an explosive detection canine unit for patrol operations. Explosive detection canines are trained to detect explosives and firearms related evidence in addition to performing traditional patrol, apprehension and tracking duties.
- Halloween Safety presentations are being scheduled with local pre-schools and EME Elementary School.

Old Business

- Range Building Project Update – The department is receiving quotes to be submitted for the 2024 Crest Grant Funding to begin phase II of construction at the Range Building Project.
- License Plate Reader Project –Hudson Valley Computer and Orange and Rockland Utilities are working to finalize the installation of a license plate reader at the city entrance located on West Main Street near Park Avenue. The project is funded through the 2024 Police Technology Grant DCJS.
- Drone Team: The department purchased a drone with accessories using 2024 Police Technology Grant funding. Four officers are currently assigned to a Drone Team and are currently obtaining their licensing and training.

Committee Comments – No Comments Received.

Public Comment – No Public Comment.

Executive Session – N/A

Adjournment 6:40pm

Respectfully Submitted,

William J. Worden

Chief of Police