

CITY OF PORT JERVIS

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Police Committee Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2026

6:10 p.m.

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Vicchiariello, Ms. Fuller, Mr. Rhoades, Ms. Dennison, Chief Worden

Public Comment

No public comments received.

New Business

Crime Statistics

- Reviewed crime statistics and major investigations, including a search warrant on Franklin Street, a cargo theft from a local manufacturer, and a robbery investigation coordinated with Warwick Police Department.

Police Activities

- Directed patrols focused on Church Street Park and Zones 2 and 4.

Community Policing Events

- Senior safety outreach scheduled for April 8 and April 22 (Fraud Prevention and Drone Demonstration).

Training Activities (Upcoming for Sworn Personnel)

- Search and seizure—street encounters
- Traffic stop legal updates
- E-Justice Portal recertifications
- Cannabis-impaired driving recognition
- Advanced tactical training
- Annual compliance training
- Investigative Lead Desk training for supervisors/investigators
- Defensive tactics and DCJS use-of-force in-service
- Leadership seminar at SUNY Orange with Andrew Marotta

- Legal updates and basic training for school police officers
- STRIVE Grant domestic violence training

A DCJS Law Enforcement Technology Grant will fund the purchase of a small interior-flight drone.

The department is reviewing applications for a substitute crossing guard.

Officers are being fitted for replacement body armor as part of the five-year replacement cycle. Partial funding is provided by DOJ BVP and PERMA grants.

Traffic Safety

PTS, BUNY, and Child Passenger Safety grant activities noted.

Traffic Safety Awards

- DWI Enforcement: Alexis Barber
- Traffic Safety Awards:
 - Gold: Alexis Barber
 - Silver: Tyler Wagner
 - Bronze: Amanda Hulse
 - Honorable Mention: Mackenzie Decker

Upcoming Campaigns & Training

- No Empty Chair Campaign (with Deerpark PD and Port Jervis City School District): April 20–26, 2026
- ESLETS Traffic Safety Conference (Saratoga Springs): April 26–28
 - Attendees: Chief Worden, Sgt. Dillinger, Officer Wagner

DCJS STRIVE Grant

- Chief Worden and Sgt. Card attended orientation in Troy, NY.
- A Memorandum of Agreement for \$50,000 will be forwarded to the Common Council for acceptance.

Interview Room Recording System Upgrade

- Existing systems require replacement due to age and malfunctions.
- Department reviewing proposals and pursuing grant funding for three units.

STOP DWI MOA

- Committee approved forwarding a resolution authorizing the Mayor and/or Police Chief to execute STOP DWI contracts with Orange County.

HBE DARE Program

- Officer Nick Osowick is instructing 5th-grade students in a nine-week DARE curriculum.
- Graduation scheduled for March 26.

Old Business

Grant Reimbursements

- National Night Out reimbursement: \$10,000.

Police Officer Hiring Process

- Committee received an update on interviews and background investigations.
- A special Common Council meeting may be required, as medical and psychological evaluations may not be completed by March 23.

Handicap Parking Request – Pike Street (Library)

- Committee discussed the Port Jervis Library's request for a handicap parking space on Pike Street. (Further evaluation pending in April minutes.)

Encampments – Riverside Park

- Status discussed.

Pistol Upgrade – 9mm with Red Dot Sights

- Det. Mitchell and Officer Medeiros scheduled for red-dot sight training in New Windsor in June.
- Department reviewing grant opportunities for firearm replacement.

2026–2027 Glock Upgrade Cost Summary

Estimated Cost per Member

- Glock Gen5 MOS 9mm pistol with Aimpoint optic: \$730.44
- Holster: \$160.00
- Trade-in credit for .40-caliber Glock: –\$235.00

Total Cost per Member: \$655.44

(Applies to members purchasing their sidearm through the vendor.)

Surplus .40-caliber ammunition may be traded for updated 9mm duty ammunition.

Total Replacement Requirement

- 34 sworn members
- 8 school resource officers
- 6 spare sidearms

Total units required: 48

Estimated Total Cost

- 48 replacements at \$655.44 = \$31,461.12

Officer Buy-Back Option

- Vendor buy-back price for .40-caliber Glock: \$329.40

Committee Comments

- Ms. Dennison asked whether the department had been notified by organizers of the planned No King's Protest on March 28 at Veterans Park.
- Ms. Fuller reported feedback from local veterans expressing concern about the event being held in Veterans Park.

Public Comment

No public comments.

Executive Session

None.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Worden
Chief of Police