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Police Committee City of Port Jervis November 12, 2015 Monthly Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Mr. Hendricks with the following in attendance: Mr. Oney, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Ritchie, and Chief Worden.

## Report of Chief of Police:

A briefing was provided of the Reality Tour-Heroin / Drug Abuse Prevention Program and efforts to bring the program to the City of Port Jervis. Two Officers participated in a recent Reality Tour presentation located in Milford PA and reported the program is extremely successful.

A briefing was provided of the Forensic Court Connections Program designed to divert non-violent offenders charged with misdemeanor offenses in City Court who suffer from mental illness and co-occurring disorders. The program is having success with reducing recidivism in our community.

The Chief discussed the concept of re-introducing the goal of establishing a Community Accountability Board for juvenile offenders based upon restorative justice model. The concept will be discussed with the new committee in 2016.

Staffing Report: PO Kerr will complete his FTO Program by the end of November, 2015. PO Kimiciek will be completed with the FTO program on or about November 13, 2015. The Chief reported that the department is attempted to cross train all detectives-adult and juvenile aid bureau to handle all types of reported crimes. This cross training will require a several year commitment to training.

The committee and the chief further discussed current patrol vacancies and a vacancy anticipated in the sergeants ranks. Staffing to be discussed during budget process.

An update was provided pertaining to the progress regarding the camera installation at Farnum Park.

A Citizen's Police Academy is currently being planned for 2016 by the Orange County Police Academy located in New Windsor NY. Each police agency will be allotted two seats for residents or officials to attend the training. More information to follow.

The department is in need of systematically replacing oxygen tank regulators located in patrol cars. The department will submit a funding request under the 2016 capital note to accomplish this goal.



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The Juvenile Aid Bureau has been updated through repainting, office furniture and the donation of two couches and tables donated by Royal Furniture located in the juvenile family reception area in attempt to create a positive and professional atmosphere for providing juvenile services.

Outreach Activities: The Juvenile Aid Bureau is conducting Halloween Safety Initiatives and Christmas outreach to area schools and pre-schools.

The Rici Live Scan machine has been ordered and is in process of being replaced.

The committee discussed the DARE Program and Too Good for Drugs Program and the value of each with providing prevention education and outreach to youth.

No Public Comment Received.

No Committee Comments.

Meeting adjourned:

7:45pm

Respectfully Submitted,

William J. Worden

Chief of Police