

**Police Committee**  
**City of Port Jervis**  
**February 28, 2017**  
**Monthly Meeting**

1803 hrs: Meeting called to order in the Council Chambers with the following members in attendance: Mr. Foster, Mrs. Hendry, Mr. Bavoso, Mayor Decker, Mrs. Trovei, Chief Worden.

Taxi License Hearing:

- The Committee met with Mr. Scott Moroz and subsequently granted his request for a Port Jervis City Taxi License effective this date.

An update was provided pertaining to a current 207-c injury within the police department and plans to return the employee to a limited light duty assignment to perform administrative and office work.

The Port Jervis Police Department and the Town of Deerpark Police Department will begin joint ATV patrols of Point Peter/Elks Brox Park and the City's Watershed Property.

A review was conducted of 2016 overtime statistics and spreadsheets newly implemented by the department to continue to track overtime expenditures. Shift coverage, extra duty and training overtime accounted for the three largest expense categories.

Department currently finalizing plans to update and launch a new mission statement, mission priorities and core values.

The Chief reviewed the department's annual use of force report for 2016 and the training topics planned for 2017 related to force and conflict dispute resolution.

The department is researching updated pursuit policies and plans to enact a revised vehicle pursuit policy and incorporate training as a goal during 2017.

Officers performed 18 Narcan deployments and assisted EMS with 4 Narcan deployments in 2016.

Two police officers have recently graduated from the forty-hour crisis intervention training program provided advanced mental health awareness and training. The department goal is to improve response to mental health related calls for service and intervention by participating in the CIT training. Currently, 6 uniform patrol division officers are CIT certified with the goal of sending an additional 4 to 5 officers to complete this training during 2017.

Sgt. Legato completed the 3-week Basic Course for Police Supervision.

Training: Officers have completed on-line training assignments and are scheduled to attend use of force and defensive tactics training, search and seizure training and general in-service training during the months of March and April.

A SLETPP Homeland Security Grant funding request was submitted by the Chief requesting funding for a Mobile Data terminal, Night Vision Technology and funding to off-set the costs of active shooter response training.

The Department was recently awarded \$9,150.00 through a grant funded by the Division of Criminal Justice Services and coordinated through Orange County to provide ballistic helmets, outer vests and a patrol rifle for patrol officers.

Staffing Report: Chief reported staffing challenges experienced for 207-c that impact overtime include one uniform sergeant vacancy since November 2016 due to an injury, a newly appointed sergeant completing the mandatory three week course in supervision during the month of January-February, patrol vacancy from January to February with replacement of 17<sup>th</sup> officer currently in mandatory field training program, Canine Officer appointment of Officer Andrew Haniuk and mandatory attendance of Canine Police Officer Basic School from March – July (16 weeks) and narcotics detective school (8 weeks) from October-November. Planned retirement of Officer William Conklin and Canine Mac effective April 2017.

Department has pulled the current Civil Service list and will begin conducting preliminary background reviews of eligible candidates.

An update was provided pertaining to the planned Youth Leadership Academy for July 2017. The Chief will forward a letter to the Council requesting formal approval.

The department requested a grant from Orange County District Attorney David Hoovler for \$5,000.00 to off-set the costs of purchasing a drug detection canine.

Newly selected canine Officer Haniuk will begin soliciting donations from the public over the next several months for funds to off-set canine program costs.

The department is reviewing surplus vehicles and asset forfeiture vehicles for future Common Council authorization to auction, sell or dispose of same.

2016 Police Department Statistic Review- Executive Summary: The Chief and committee reviewed condensed public safety statistics which revealed positive impacts on Part I major crimes experiencing the lowest reductions since 2005. Refer to attached report.

No public or committee comments.

Meeting adjourned at 1930 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

William J. Worden

Chief of Police