

ROSENDALE POLICE COMMISSION

Commissioners Supervisor Jeanne Walsh, Anthony Stenta, Joe Hafner

October 28, 2025 Police Commission Meeting
Rondout Municipal Center
3:30 p.m. Meeting called to Order
Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Walsh

Present: Supervisor Walsh, Commissioner Hafner, Chief Schaffrick, Councilman Havranek,
Community Liaison Terry Johnson

Absent: Commissioner Stenta, Community Liaison Richard Wright

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 23, 2025 meeting; 2nd
by Commissioner Hafner; Roll Vote: 2 Yes. Absent: Commissioner Stenta.

Correspondence: Chief Schaffrick did not receive any letters from the community, but he had 3
Facebook Posts with community involvement. The first post addressed a concern about commercial
trucks. The second post was that the police department was part of the Touch-a-Truck at the
Bloomington Fire House. The third post was that we had the Cub Scouts and Webelos here last week
to do fingerprinting and going through the Court.

Chief's Report - Personnel: Chief Schaffrick stated he is currently at status quo. He stated he received
an application from someone who is in the academy now. He is waiting for an application from
someone who is starting the academy in January. Chief Schaffrick stated that Officer Witte is doing
very well and that he took the Ulster County Civil Service test and is waiting for his results. Chief
stated that he is out on patrol on his own. Chief Schaffrick stated he is doing a new schedule for
November and December that will overlap and can have traffic enforcement during the day.

Vehicles: Chief Schaffrick stated there are currently no issues and the patrol vehicles are having
routine maintenance done.

Grants: Chief Schaffrick currently does not have any active grant applications. He is waiting for
reimbursement for body armor grant. Chief Schaffrick is also waiting for the new STOP DWI High
Visibility grant, which will be used for Halloween night. Chief Schaffrick is waiting for the new
technology grant and is looking to possibly upgrade our Tasers and switch over to Axon Body Worn
Cameras. Chief stated that he has about \$21,000.00 remaining from this year's technology grant that he
will use next year.

STATS: Chief Schaffrick stated that there are 3,450 calls for service, 241 criminal cases, 107
arrests. The Chief has seen an increase in Aggravated Unlicensed Operation arrests which is suspended
or revoked licenses. Chief Schaffrick stated that there have been 80 property damage accidents, 12
personal injury accidents. Chief stated that we responded to assist EMS 160 times this year and
assisted the fire departments 49 times. Chief stated that there have been 34 domestic incident calls and
23 harassment calls. Chief said that there have been 372 property checks throughout the Town and

1850 traffic stops so far this year. Chief Schaffrick stated that he received an email from Councilman Cassidy regarding police department enforcement. Chief stated a commercial traffic detail was done and there were a couple of concerns with construction vehicles that are being followed up on. Councilman Cassidy said he saw increased patrols on Route 32 but less by the church, the Elting bridge, the Fire house and Stewart's. Chief said the new shift overlap will be for traffic enforcements. Chief Schaffrick said the speed signs are up and location changes throughout the town. Chief stated he is waiting to hear back from the DOT Regional Office regarding pavement markings on Main Street with a fog line and for parking. Supervisor Walsh stated that she and Councilman Cassidy met with DOT regarding the Traffic Study and that they are looking to lower the speed limit on Route 32 by 5 miles per hour, which they already did and also looking to put some kind of pedestrian walkway between Stewart's and the next property. They talked about putting in a crosswalk from Stewart's to Memorial Park, a crosswalk by the bridge, and a crosswalk by the light at Creeklocks Road. They also talked about in the future changing some of the lights and adding crosswalk buttons for pedestrians to push to cross Route 32.

Training: Chief Schaffrick stated that Cycle 2 training ends this Thursday. Chief Schaffrick stated that he is planning on doing an in-service training as a refresher for tasers but he is not sure when he is going to do it. Chief Schaffrick stated that the officers take the right-to-know training during the regular cycle training.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to submit the Rosendale Police Commission survey from December 1 to December 31, 2025 and copies to be available at the Town Clerk's Office and at the Police Department, and for the survey to be posted on the Town website; 2nd by Commissioner Hafner. Roll Vote: 2 Yes. Absent: Commissioner Stenta.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 4:00 p.m.; 2nd by Commissioner Hafner; Roll Vote: 2 Yes. Absent: Commissioner Stenta.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Dingman
Deputy Town Clerk