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**Press Release**

**Body Worn Cameras**

Beginning October 11, 2021, Town of Rosendale Police officers will begin wearing body worn cameras while on patrol. The officers will be outfitted with Motorola's WatchGuard V-300 Body Worn Camera that will collect video and audio evidence.

In launching the Body Worn Camera program, our goal is to create a level of transparency that provides an accurate documentation of the interactions our officers have within our community. In addition to capturing arrests and other critical incidents, it provides us with an opportunity to capture the positive, good work that our officers do each day. The body worn camera will also allow supervisors to conduct periodic reviews of interactions, for quality control purposes and the investigation of any complaints that may arise in their duties.

The initial launch of the Body Worn Camera program was made possible, through grant funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance. The Town of Rosendale Police Department has also applied for additional grant funding, to expand the program and provide more cameras and video storage to the initial launch.

I would like to thank the Town of Rosendale Supervisor, the Town Board, as well as the Police Commission for their support of our body worn camera program. It is my belief that this program will allow us to continue our commitment to transparency, and help us to maintain the highest level of professionalism.

Sincerely,

Scott Schaffrick  
Chief of Police