SAUGERTIES POLICE DEPARTMENT

Memorandum

DATE: December 6, 2019

TO:

Chief Joseph A. Sinagra

FROM:

Police Officer Jennifer Culver

SUBJECT:

WAIVER OF FORMAL DISCIPLINE

COMPLAINT AGAINST PERSONNEL

FAILURE TO CONDUCT FULL INVESTIGATION

I.A.CASE # A-19-15

Reference to the above subject matter.

Writer understands she has the right to representation, in accordance with Article VII of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Writer is not represented at this time and has waived the right to representation.

Writer further waives her right to a formal disciplinary proceeding, in accordance with Article VII of the Collective Bargaining Agreement and Section 75 of the New York State Civil Service Law. Writer agrees to accept the Command Discipline offered by the Chief of Police on December 6, 2019, the forfeiture of two (2) accrued Days. Writer also waives the right to grieve, litigate or appeal such determination.

Officer's Signature / Date

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SYNOPSIS:

On October 11, 2019, at approximately 1200 hrs., PO Jennifer Culver was dispatched to a 911 report of a welfare check at 20 Trinces Road in the town of Saugerties. The caller, was later found unconscious and unresponsive by a neighbor who placed a second call to 911, and it was determined that a significant medical emergency occurred which claimed Mr. Speirs' life.

DETAILS:

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1.	On October 23, 2019, writer met with Chief Sinagra to discuss the particulars of a call for service handled at 20 Trinces Road by PO Jennifer Culver on October 11, 2019. The call for service was originally dispatched by Ulster County 911 as a welfare check where "male caller gave his address and ended the line". No one was located at the residence, but approximately one hour later, Ulster County 911 dispatched a medical emergency at the same location. The original caller, James Speirs, was located in apparent cardiac arrest by a member of his girlfriend's family, who called 911. First responders arrived on scene, provided aid, and transported to Kingston Hospital, where he later succumbed to the medical emergency. Chief Sinagra had a discussion with of Diaz Ambulance, who reported that ex-wife and daughter were very upset with the response and subsequent unfortunate outcome. As a result, Chief Sinagra requested writer to open an internal investigation to determine if all proper procedures were followed by PO Culver upon her initial response to the residence.
2.	On October 23, 2019, writer met with at her office at Diaz Memorial Ambulance Service. She reported that she had a conversation with regarding the initial response by PO Culver to the residence.

	further reported that	(the daughter of	and .
, and an employee of	f Diaz A <u>mbulan</u> ce) wa <u>s ver</u>	y upset following the funeral.	With
regard to the initial call for	service said, in	's words, "something wasn't r	ight", and
		the swimming pool for the ye	
also told that the hous	e was unlocked. Initially,	did not want to pursue th	h <u>e matter,</u>
but later told that for h	ner children's sake, she wa	as unable to let the matter go.	,