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PORT WASHINGTON, WISCONSIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Kevin Hingiss

PRESS RELEASE

December 3, 2025

During the City of Port Washington Common Council meeting on December 2, 2025, there was a disturbance during the public comments portion of the meeting resulting in 3 municipal disorderly conduct citations being issued.

During the public comment portion of the council meeting, there were several short outbursts of people shouting either towards the council members themselves or towards speakers at the podium who were providing their testimony to the council. Multiple verbal warnings were given to the crowd by officers, as well as two warnings by City Attorney Nugent.

The disturbance began when a 43-year-old female was asked to leave after she began chanting towards the council prompting other members of the audience to shout as well, causing a disturbance and interrupting another citizen who was making her public comments to the

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council. The female refused numerous lawful requests by an Officer to leave the room at which time Officers attempted to escort the female from the room. When Officers attempted to escort the female from the chambers, she engaged in "passive resistance" going limp and refusing to move necessitating officers to have to lift or drag her through the aisle and toward the door. During that time that individual was kicking toward officers, actively resisting arrest, and continuing her behavior which led to this disturbance growing unnecessarily.

At that time, other individuals became disorderly and began shouting at Officers and council members. One female approached the council using profanity and calling names and had to be redirected away from the council toward the exit by an Officer. That individual, along with another female then dropped to the ground and grabbed the first female to obstruct Officers attempting to remove her. During this time the three females were told they were under arrest and continued to resist and fail to comply with lawful orders to put their hands behind their back so they could be handcuffed. Eventually, Officers were able to pry their hands out from under them, apply handcuffs and escort them from the room.

3 females, ages 43, 52, and 55 were arrested, issued municipal citations for disorderly conduct and released. Two were released from the scene and a third was released from the Police Department after obstructing the arresting officer by initially refusing to identify herself.

Only empty hand control was used by Officers to attempt to get the subjects handcuffed, and no injuries were reported.

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Port Washington Police Department Continuation Incident Location: Incident Date: Incident Report Number 12/02/2025 100 W Grand Ave, Port Washington, WI 53074 25-015560 NAMES Location City Of Port Washington of 100 W Grand Ave, Port Washington, WI 53074 Phone 1: (262) 284-5585 Arrested-1 Wanderer, Julianne WT: HT: Hair: Eyes: Booking#: 25-000441 StateSeq# Ct Description Charge Case# 1 25-015560 308-1(A) Disorderly Conduct Arrested-2 Le Jeune, Christine DOB: Hair: HT: Eyes: Phone 1: Booking#: 25-000442 StateSeq# Description Case# Charge 1 Disorderly Conduct 25-015560 308-1(A) Police Officer Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department of 1201 S Spring St, 104, Port Washington, WI 53074 Phone 1: (262) 284-8490 Arrested-3 Butler, Paula Payroll Number: Pages: Reporting Officer(s): 300010 2 Of 7 Mejchar, James

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Body Worn Camera Used

NARRATIVE

Tuesday, December 2, 2025 6:55 p.m.

I, Lt. Mejchar, was in full duty uniform assigned to a security position inside of City Hall while the City Council held their Common Council Meeting. I was posted inside the council chambers to provide security and to maintain peace and order throughout the proceedings.

Prior to the meeting, City Attorney Nugent addressed the public crowd, establishing the rules and guidelines for decorum throughout the meeting. The crowd was asked to remain respectful and let everyone speak without interruption. The crowd was warned that disruption of the meeting could result in their removal.

During the public comment portion of the council meeting, there were several short outbursts of people shouting either towards the council members themselves or shouting towards speakers who were at the podium providing their testimony to the council. Multiple verbal warnings were given to the crowd by officers, as well as an additional warning by City Attorney Nugent. While still in the public comment portion of the meeting a female speaker, who identified herself as CHRISTINE LE JEUNE, approached the podium and gave her three-minute presentation to the council. While returning to her seat in the crowd, LE JEUNE began to chant "recall" towards the council, which prompted other members of the audience to shout as well, creating a disturbance.

I observed Chief Hingiss make his way down the back row of chairs to make contact with LE JEUNE. Chief Hingiss and LE JEUNE appeared to be speaking for approximately one minute when Chief Hingiss gestured for me to come over to join him. I perceived this gesture by Chief Hingiss as a signal that LE JEUNE was going to be asked to leave the meeting following her shouting at the council. As I approached LE JEUNE, Chief Hingiss was attempting to ask her to stand up and leave the meeting. She was refusing to do so. I also asked LE JEUNE to stand up and exit the chambers and leave the meeting. It became

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apparent that LE JEUNE was going to have to be physically removed from the meeting, as she was unwilling to cooperate with our requests. She continued to provide passive resistance by not responding to multiple requests to leave the meeting peacefully.

Initially I grabbed a hold of LE JEUNE'S left wrist in an attempt to persuade her to stand up. LE JEUNE immediately pulled her wrist back, breaking my grip. I made another attempt to secure her left arm, at which point LE JEUNE provided resistive tension by tensing up her arm and attempting to pull away. While Chief Hingiss and I were attempting to lift her from her seat and escort her down the aisle, LE JEUNE began to kick and resist. It did appear that LE JEUNE had successfully kicked Chief Hingiss in the leg while she was resisting. I switched to a position where I could secure LE JEUNE'S legs. While securing her legs I was able to assist LE JEUNE down the row with other officers carrying her upper body. As we were attempting to carry LE JEUNE down the row of chairs, multiple bystanders began to interfere with the removal, including grabbing at officers' arms and equipment. During the initial struggle, LE JEUNE reached out and grabbed my portable microphone, which was attached to my vest. This caused the microphone to break and become detached. It also disconnected my earpiece. Once LE JEUNE was located closer to the exit of the chambers, she was placed on the ground for handcuffing and removal.

I requested dispatch send additional officers based on the deteriorating circumstances and reaction from the crowd. Several bystanders were attempting to get in between officers and LE JEUNE. There were several people recording the incident on both their cellphone and other cameras. While attempting to place LE JEUNE under arrest, two other female subjects who were ultimately identified as PAULA BUTLER and JULLIANNE WANDERER, positioned themselves between officers and LE JEUNE. WANDERER grabbed a hold of LE JEUNE'S right arm and tried to keep her arm away from officers while BUTLER positioned herself along LE JEUNE'S left side. While LE JEUNE was laying on her back, facing the ceiling, BUTLER laid across LE JEUNE'S torso, obstructing officers' ability to successfully take LE JEUNE into custody. Additional officers began to arrive on scene. Eventually WANDERER was handcuffed, followed by BUTLER being handcuffed.

Once BUTLER was handcuffed, I assisted her to her feet and escorted her from

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the council chambers. As I escorted BUTLER onto the sidewalk in front of City Hall, I was met with additional bystanders with cameras who were protesting the police action and arrests. I conducted a search incident to arrest on BUTLER, placing her property initially on the hood area of squad 4111, which was assigned to Officer Kuck at the time. Once BUTLER was secured in the rear of the squad, I collected her property and placed it in the front passenger seat of the squad where it was secured. I spoke with BUTLER in an attempt to get her identifying information verbally. BUTLER refused to provide that information. I did make her aware that for the purposes of identification I would be compelled to search her belongings for her ID. After confirming BUTLER was not willing to give me her information, I did locate her WI photo driver's license in her purse. This information was provided to dispatch. BUTLER'S ID was ultimately turned over to Officer Kuck so he could issue a civil ordinance citation for disorderly conduct. The rest of BUTLER'S property was placed in a plastic Ziploc bag and again secured in the front passenger seat of Officer Kuck's squad. A bystander approached with a cellphone, which was found in the council chambers. The bystander was attempting to locate the owner of the phone. Ultimately it was determined to be an additional phone belonging to BUTLER. That phone was also placed in the Ziploc bag with the rest of BUTLER'S property.

After consulting with other officers, as well as Captain Czarnecki and Chief Hingiss, it was determined the enforcement action would be disorderly conduct citations for all three of the detained individuals. LE JEUNE had been secured in Officer Volm's squad; therefore, Officer Volm issued the citation LE JEUNE. WANDERER had been escorted from the building and secured in a squad by Officer Ruth; therefore, Officer Ruth issued that citation to WANDERER. Following the issue of citations, all three subjects were released from custody and verbally informed that they were not allowed to re-enter the meeting.

After a short delay, the council meeting was reconvened, and I returned to my post inside of the chambers for the duration. Additional assistance was provided during the incident by the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office. After hearing the call for assistance deputies responded and assisted with security outside of City Hall during the arrests and citation process. The remainder of the council meeting proceeded without incident. Ultimately the council went into closed session for matters that required a closed session meeting. At

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that point I left the meeting to return to normal patrol duties for the remainder of my shift.

Lt. Mejchar srh

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Tuesday, December 2, 2025 Supplement

Citation #GQ80DRXHQL PAULA BULTER Disorderly Conduct bond \$250.00

While on routine patrol I, Officer Kuck, heard Officers on a special assignment at a Common Council meeting at City Hall requesting assistance from road officers with a group of disorderly individuals at the meeting.

Upon my arrival, I entered City Hall and into the chambers where I saw officers on the ground attempting to arrest a female subject, later identified as CHRISTINE LE JEUNE. I assisted in placing LE JEUNE into handcuffs, assisting her up and escorting her out of the building. She was placed into the rear of Officer Volm's squad.

After this, I was notified by Lt. Mejchar that a female he identified as PAULA BULTER was under arrest in the rear of my squad and I was requested to issue her a municipal citation for disorderly conduct and release her after that. Due to the crowd presence at the scene, I transported BUTLER to the Port Washington Police Department where I issued her a citation for first offense disorderly conduct. The citation, along with the court handout were explained and provided to BUTLER, along with her personal property that had been placed in a bag by Lt. Mejchar and placed in my squad car. BUTLER was assisted out of my vehicle, and her handcuffs were removed from her. BUTLER was advised that she was free to leave with her citation and personal property.

Officer Kuck

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Citation #GQ80DQPGK4 CHRISTINE LE JEUNE Disorderly Conduct bond \$250.00

At approximately 7:24 p.m., I, Officer Volm, was dispatched to City Hall regarding a disturbance.

Upon arrival, Officer Kuck brought me a subject and placed her into my squad. He told me the female, later identified as Christine Le Jeune was to be issued a citation for disorderly conduct, as directed to him. Le Jeune was issued the citation, which I explained to her, and she was subsequently released.

Officer Volm

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Citation #GQ80DJJ92Q JULIANNE WANDERER Disorderly Conduct bond \$250.00

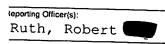
While assigned to the front lobby at Port Washington City Hall for the Common Council meeting I could hear a disturbance coming from the Council Chambers. As I entered the Council Chambers I observed Chief Hingiss and Lt. Meichar attempting to escort a female who had been causing a disturbance from the Council Chambers. I observed multiple citizens around her attempting to hold her in her chair so the police could not remove her from the Council Chambers. I assisted Chief Hingiss and Lt. Mejchar in getting the other citizens grasps released from the individual, later identified as CHRISTINE LE JEUNE. LE JEUNE continued to actively resist Chief Hingiss and Lt. Mejchar's attempts to remove her by kicking and attempting to pull officers hands off of her. Chief Hingiss and Lt. Mejchar were able to remove LE JEUNE from her chair and as they were escorting her out of the Council Chambers LE JEUNE sat down on the ground and was now passively resisting officers attempts to remove her from the Council Chambers. At this time other individuals began to gather around. Two individuals used their bodies to shield LE JEUNE from police officers lawful attempts to remove her were causing a disturbance and impeding in our official duties.

I assisted officers on scene in handcuffing PAULA BUTLER and JULIANNE WANDERER, as well as LE JEUNE. As officers were escorting BUTLER and LE JEUNE out of the Council Chambers, I escorted WANDERER to my squad car. Once in my squad car WANDERER was identified and I issued her a municipal citation for disorderly conduct, as well as court paperwork, which were explained. WANDERER advised she had no questions due to the fact that the information she would need was on the court paperwork.

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Officer Ruth



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Thursday, December 4, 2025 Supplement

On Tuesday, 12/2/25, while providing security at the Common Council Meeting for Port Washington I was in the front lobby with Officer Ruth when I heard what sounded like some sort of disturbance beginning inside the council chambers. I could hear some shouting and yelling and I clearly heard somebody start chanting "recall". A shortly after that, it sounded and appeared as though something was happening inside. When I entered the council chambers I looked down the back row of seating and could see officers attempting to remove somebody about midway down the aisle. As they were doing this I observed other people to be hollering at the officers from right behind them. At that time I moved down the second or middle aisle of seating to protect the officer's backs from the subjects that were behind them. When I approached, one of the subjects, later identified as JULIANNE WANDERER began yelling at me not to touch her, which I did not do. I attempted to speak with her, however she kept yelling at me and would not let me get a word in edge wise. However, she was backing away from my presence down the aisle and once she got sufficiently down the aisle away from the officers I turned and went back to where they were to watch their backs. At that time I turned and observed that WANDERER had left the seating area and was now approaching the council, yelling at them and I was later informed by council members she was using profanity and calling them names. I could hear her yelling and saw her gesturing and heard her say shame. As she was fairly close to the council at that time I went through the first row of seats and redirected WANDERER towards the front door, telling her that was enough and she had to leave at this point. As I was walking her to the front door, she was moving along cooperatively. However, when she got to where the other officers had removed the subject, later identified as CHRISTINE LE JEUNE, on the floor WANDERER then dropped to a seated position and held

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onto LE JEUNE to impede or stop officers from removing LE JEUNE. At that time there were numerous people around the officers who were struggling with LE JEUNE on the floor and they were yelling at the officers and pointing cameras at them. I remained in a standing position, asking WANDERER to please stand, however she refused to do so. I then turned my attention to the people standing around to make sure they did not do anything further to interfere with the officers struggling with the individuals on the floor.

Eventually other officers did handcuff all three individuals. I assisted WANDERER to her feet and handed her off to another officer to be taken outside to be issued a citation.

I then remained in the chambers to make sure things did not get any worse as the common council had evacuated the chamber to a back room where they were secured.

Captain Czarnecki srh

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I, Chief Hingiss, was in full uniform and in charge of the security detail at City Hall for the Tuesday, December 2, 2025 Common Council meeting. I was stationed directly behind the speakers podium. I was not equipped with a body worn camera, as I am administration and never wear one. I also felt it unnecessary, as all people I have had to remove from the City Council meetings have been cooperative and respectful up until this point.

Prior to the meeting, City Attorney Nugent addressed the public in attendance, established the rules for decorum throughout the meeting. Specifically, the crowd was asked to respect other speakers as well as public officials, letting everyone speak without interruption. A disruption of the meeting could result in their removal.

As public comments started, there were several people that shouted out short outbursts to the Council or the current speaker giving a public comment. Verbal warnings were given to the crowd by officers, as well as by City Attorney Nugent.

During the public comments portion, a woman who identified herself as CHRISTINE LE JEUNE, spoke to the City Council. LE JEUNE was mic'd up and had a camera man recording her. After her 3 minutes were up she continued speaking as she walked towards her seat. Then began shouting "RECALL" repeatedly. It was during this time the next public speaker was waiting to address the Council and public. LE JEUNE was seated in the back row. After approaching LE JEUNE, I asked her to leave the meeting for continuing to yell. LE JEUNE indicated that she was done and was not going to leave. I asked LE JEUNE numerous times to please leave the room, with her refusing

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each time. At this point I told LE JEUNE that I was not asking but telling her she needed to leave. It was at this time I asked Lt. Mejchar to assist. LE JEUNE continued to refuse to stand up and be escorted out. It was clear that LE JEUNE would need to be physically removed, as she had refused numerous requests to leave peacefully on her own.

As Lt. Mejchar and I attempted to stand LE JEUNE up to escort her out of the meeting, LE JEUNE began to actively resist by pulling back her arms and attempting to pull away. LE JEUNE then began to kick at me and landed one kick to my leg. Lt. Mejchar and I attempted to lift LE JEUNE to get her out of the aisle to a place she could be safely handcuffed. Other officers assisted at this time. Other public attendees were attempting to hinder our progress by being in the way and grabbing our arms.

As we were attempting to handcuff LE JEUNE, she continued to actively resist by refusing to roll on her stomach and provided resistive tension in her arms. The arrest was also interfered with by PAULA BUTLER laying on top of LE JEUNE so LE JEUNE couldn't be handcuffed and arrested.

LE JEUNE'S actions, by shouting after her speaking time, refusing to obey a lawful order, and resisting attempts to remove and arrest her led to complete disorder in the Council Chambers with people shouting, interfering with arrests, along with the Mayor and Council having to evacuate the Chambers for a period of time. Deputies from the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department had to be called to assist, as well as our Port Washington Police Department road officers.

Chief Hingiss Alb