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Press Release

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On Wednesday March 26th 2019, Justin Faatz escaped custody from the Hoosick Falls Police Department. Hoosick Falls Police, along with the New York State Police and other agencies followed up on numerous leads.

It was determined early in the investigation that Faatz was in the Athol Massachusetts area. The Athol Police Department and other surrounding law enforcement agencies were notified immediately and actively followed up several leads.

On Tuesday, April 2nd at about 9 a.m., Athol Police acted on a call to check on the welfare of a person and discovered the body of Justin Faatz at an apartment in Athol. It appears that Faatz died of a drug overdose. An autopsy is scheduled for a later date.

At present the Athol Police Department will continue the investigation, with the assistance of Hoosick Falls and New York State Police. Questions can be referred to the Northwestern District Attorney's office in Massachusetts.

The Village of Hoosick Falls Police Department would to thank the public for their assistance and patience.

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