

**Penndel Regional Police Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 27, 2021**

The regular business meeting of the Penndel Regional Police Commission was held at 7:00pm on October 27, 2021 in the meeting room at the Penndel Regional Police Headquarters, 200 Ridge Road, Sellersville, PA 18960.

Present:	James Miller	Commissioner
	Gary Volovnik	Commissioner
	David Collingwood	Commissioner
	Paul T. Dickinson Jr.	Chief
	Matt Hoover	Solicitor
	Marianne Morano	East Rockhill Township Manager
	Greg Lippincott	West Rockhill Township Manager
	David Nyman	East Rockhill Supervisor
	Bob Keeler	News Herald

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Mr. Miller with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizen Comment #1

There were none

Announcements

There was an executive session following this meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Approval of Minutes from September 22nd Regular Meeting

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Collingwood, to adopt the meeting minutes from the Penndel Regional Police Commissions' September 22nd 2021 Regular Meeting. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Financial Report: Chief Dickinson

Chief Dickinson read the financial report dated October 27, 2021. After payment of the monthly bills totaling \$208,417.37 the total operational account balances equal \$115,831.34. The cash reserve account funds total \$170,869.60.

On motion by Mr. Collingwood, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve payment of Bills List dated October 27, 2021 totaling \$ 208,417.37. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Chief's Report: Chief Dickinson

Chief Dickinson read the monthly report indicating Department activities for the month of September 2021. The report is on file.

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Collingwood, to approve the Chief's Report as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Solicitors Report: Matt Hoover, Esq.

There was none.

Old Business

Update 77-10: Chief Dickinson explained that Car 77-10 will be upfitted the first two weeks of November and that it should be in service by mid-November. All commission members commented about the new vehicle design.

Update on 30th Anniversary Badges: Chief Dickinson explained that the badges have been ordered and that they should arrive in time for the beginning of 2022.

New Business

Next meeting is held on November 18th 2021

PMRS Uniform Pension Issue: Chief Dickinson explained that in 2020 PMRS was required to refile most of the pension plans and when uniform plan was refiled there was what appears to be a clerical error and the officers' bonuses are not included. It is Chief Dickinson understanding after speaking with Solicitor Rice and also PMRS that the situation can be easily resolved. Commissioner Volovnik asked that the Chief stay on top of this to have a quick resolution.

Request motion to begin promotional process: Chief Dickinson requested permission to proceed with the promotional process beginning early November. The Chief explained that he hoped to have promotions complete late January, early February in preparation of Sgt. Maloney possibly retiring. Chief Dickinson explained to the commission that he is looking at having all the officers' complete letters of intent with two explanations of leadership situations they were presented with. And then are to explain how that decision had a positive or negative impact and what they had learned from the incident. Once that is completed, he will be conducting interview with all the candidates.

On motion by Mr. Collingwood, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve to begin the process for promotions as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Citizen Comment #2:

Commissioner Collingwood expressed concerns regarding the intersection of Three Mile Run and Rt. 313 and the two recent fatal traffic crashes. Collingwood expressed his concerns and inquired what if anything the commission could do to prevent future crashes. Chief Dickinson expressed that the crashes appear to be the result of operators not stopping for the stop sign. Commissioner Volovnik expressed that East Rockhill Township has taken action at the intersection many times before and explained that additional actions have been taken to warn drivers. East Rockhill Supervisor Nyman inquired about the Chief reaching out to Pennsylvania State Police and set up RADAR details at that intersection. Chief Dickinson stated he would look into the possibility.

East Rockhill Township Supervisor Nyman inquired about the Shop with a Cop program and suggested we utilize our social media to drum up support for the program. Chief Dickinson said he would consider doing that.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Collingwood, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adjourn into Executive Session. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul T. Dickinson Jr. Chief of Police