

Pennridge Regional Police Commission
Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2010

In attendance were Commission members John Cressman, Jay Keyser and alternate, Gary Volovnik. Commission Solicitor, John Rice and Chief Mettin were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Jay Keyser in the West Rockhill Township Building.

Annual Reorganization of the Board of Commissioners:

Jay Keyser advised the Commission that the Pennridge Regional Police Commission would undergo the annual reorganization for 2010. Jay Keyser was elected as the Chairman for 2010. John Cressman was elected as Vice Chairman and Jim Nietupski of East Rockhill Township was elected Secretary –Treasurer. John Rice of Grim, Biehn and Thatcher was elected as Commission Solicitor. All selections received a unanimous vote.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

The Commission tabled the approval of the December minutes as only John Cressman could vote on this issue at this time. Jay Keyser advised that he was not present at the December meeting and Gary Volovnik was not present at the meeting either.

Financial Report:

Chief Mettin read the financial report dated January 26, 2010. After payment of the monthly bills totaling \$97,164.77, the total operational account balances equal \$130,756.67. The Operating Cash Reserve Account funds total \$105,226.86. The Financial Report was approved and the Commission gave approval to pay bills.

Chief's Report:

Chief Mettin presented the Chief's Report, indicating Department activities for December of 2009. Chief Mettin advised of the monthly statistics as well as administrative issues within the department. Chief Mettin also gave a summary of the year end statistics for 2009.

The Overtime Report and UCR report for December / year end were attached to the Chief's report.

A motion was made to approve the Chief's Report. The motion was unanimously approved.

Solicitors Report:

Solicitor Rice advised that he had no report but, indicated that he would need to address personnel issues in an Executive Session.

Citizen/Guest Comments:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Officers Daniel Branch and Daniel Forbes were presented with Letters of Recognition for the arrest of a burglary suspect in December.

Officer Daniel Forbes was presented the Department's first Officer of the Year Award for his service in 2009. Officer Forbes was presented an engraved desk clock and a perpetual plaque with his name engraved on it. Many officers and the civilian staff of the department attended. Officer Forbes' family was also in attendance. Commission members also thanked the members of the department for their service.

Chief Mettin presented Resolution 2010-01 – Police Department Manual Revision which was tabled until the February meeting. Resolution 2010-02 was passed, reducing officers' annual pension contributions to 2% from 5% as is customarily done yearly.

Chief Mettin presented the UNIVEST Bank signature cards for 2010. John Cressman and Jay Keyser signed the form.

Ben Botti presented to the Board four copies of a Pennridge Regional Building Proposal which included a preliminary budget, floor plans and elevation plans for review.

Citizen/Guest Comments:

None

A motion was made to adjourn the Pennridge Regional Police Commission meeting. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.

The meeting was reconvened and a motion was approved to grant Chief Mettin's 2009 incentive goals bonus as well as his 2010 employment contract.

The next Pennridge Regional Police Commission meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2010 at 7:00pm at the West Rockhill Township Building.