# Pennridge Regional Police Commission Meeting Minutes

## March 24, 2021

The regular business meeting of the Pennridge Regional Police Commission was held at 7:00pm on March 24, 2021. The meeting was held as a video/call in conference meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Present: James Miller Commissioner

Gary Volovnik Commissioner
David Collingwood Commissioner
Rodney Blake Chief of Police
John Rice, Esq. Solicitor

Marianne Morano East Rockhill Township Manager
Greg Lippincott West Rockhill Township Manager

The following were identified in the video conference; East Rockhill Supervisor Dave Nyman East Rockhill Supervisor Jim Nietupski News reporter Bob Keeler

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mr. Miller with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Citizen Comment #1:

There was none.

#### **Announcements:**

Mr. Miller announced that the meeting was held as a video/call in conference meeting due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Mr. Miller turned the meeting over to Chief Blake for the following announcements;

Chief Blake introduced the newest part-time officer Russel Closs Jr. Chief Blake read a brief introduction about Officer Closs and then presented him for the pinning ceremony conducted by his father Detective Sergeant Russell Closs from Perkasie Police Department. The Police Commission welcomed Officer Closs.

Chief Blake introduced Officer Stephen DiGiovanni for retirement. Chief Blake read a prepared statement and presented Officer DiGiovanni a plaque from the Pennridge Regional Police Commission. The Police Commission thanked Officer DiGiovanni for his years of service to the community.

After the announcements were complete, Mr. Miller called for a brief recess in order for the Chief to leave the meeting room and prepare to continue with the meeting.

### Approval of Minutes from February 24, 2021 Regular Meeting

On motion by Mr. Collingwood, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adopt the meeting minutes from the Pennridge Regional Police Commission's February 24, 2021 Regular Meeting. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

### Financial Report: Chief Blake

Chief Blake read the financial report dated March 24, 2021. After payment of the monthly bills totaling \$46,090.06 the total operational account balance equals \$150,671.85. The capital reserve account funds total \$115,602.17.

It should be noted that the department was requiring only 1 authorized signature on the checks issued by the department instead of the normal 2 signature requirement. This was approved by QNB and was requested due to COVID-19 restrictions.

**On motion** by Mr. Collingwood, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to approve payment of Bills List dated March 24, 2021 totaling \$46,090.06 and the Financial Report as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

## Chief's Report: Chief Blake

Chief Blake read the monthly report indicating Department activities for the month of February, 2021.

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

## Solicitors Report: John Rice, Esq.

There was none.

### **Old Business**

There was none.

### **New Business**

Chief Blake presented a letter of recognition from Chief Robert Schurr from Perkasie Borough Police Department, thanking Officer Forbes and Officer Kolb for their assistance in apprehending a suspect in the Borough.

## Citizen Comment #2:

There was none.

## Adjournment

**On motion** by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to adjourn the meeting. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Chief of Police