# Pennridge Regional Police Commission Meeting Minutes

# July 28, 2021

The regular business meeting of the Pennridge Regional Police Commission was held at 7:00pm on July 28, 2021 in the meeting room at the Pennridge Regional Police Headquarters, 200 Ridge Road, Sellersville, PA 18960.

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

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

#### Citizen Comment #1

None

#### **Announcements**

Executive Session will be held following the meeting

Chief Dickinson introduced Full Time Ofc. Russell Closs to the commission. Ofc. Closs began as a part time officer and successfully our performed 35 candidates in the oral board process. He began his employment as a full time officer on August 25<sup>th</sup> 2021.

# Approval of Minutes from June 23rd 2021 Regular Meeting

**On motion** by Mr. Collingwood, seconded by Mr. Nyman, to adopt the meeting minutes from the Pennridge Regional Police Commissions' June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021 Regular Meeting. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

# Financial Report: Chief Dickinson

Chief Dickinson read the financial report dated July 28<sup>th</sup> 2021. After payment of the monthly bills totaling \$64,144.09 the total operational account balances equal \$243,090.77. The cash reserve account funds total \$170,760.97.

**On motion** by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Collingwood, to approve payment of Bills List dated July 28<sup>th</sup> 2021 totaling \$ 64,144.09. 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 April 2021. The report is on file.

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

#### Solicitors Report: Matthew Hoover, Esq.

Nothing to Report

#### **Old Business**

Chief Dickinson presented an update on the IT upgrades performed by IT Solutions. The current connectivity issues have been resolved by upgrading the download speed for the station internet and moving to Verizon Aircards in the MDT. All back up of the system was completed and ransom ware was also completed. New computers should all be delivered by the end of August.

#### **New Business**

The board was presented with a 2022 preliminary budget proposal and it was taken under advisement to be discussed at the August 25<sup>th</sup> 2021 commission meeting

Chief Dickinson requested permission to proceed with the purchase of a new patrol vehicle for the department. The vehicle was budgeted in the 2021 budget.

**On motion** by Mr. Collingwood, seconded by Mr. Nyman, to approve the purchase of a new marked patrol vehicle to replace car #10 as presented. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Chief Dickinson discussed adding a second Sergeant to the department's rank structure. As presented by the Chief the position was presented with hopes of allowing for more supervision for officers.

Letter of Commendation from Chief Rich Ficco from Richland Township was read for Ofc. Alcott for his participation in a recent homicide investigation.

Letter of Commendation from Chief John Carbone of the Barre Police Department (Massachusetts) regarding the quick and professional response by Ofc. Bartholomew to a traffic accident involving his wife and grandchild.

#### Citizen Comment #2: NONE

# <u>Adjournment</u>

**On motion** by Mr. Nyman, seconded by Mr. Collingwood, to adjourn into Executive Session. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul T. Dickinson Jr. Chief of Police

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