Pennridge Regional Police Commission Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2025

The regular business meeting of the Pennridge Regional Police Commission was held at 5:00pm on April 23, 2025 in the meeting room at the Pennridge Regional Police Headquarters, 200 Ridge Road, Sellersville, PA 18960.

Present: Gary Volovnik Commissioner

Jay KeyserCommissionerHal SchirmerCommissionerPaul T. Dickinson Jr.Chief of Police

Matt Hoover, Esq. Solicitor

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

Jim Nietupski East Rockhill Supervisor

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairperson Mr. Volovnik with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizen Comment #1

- Nick Custer, 2515 Wellington Court, addressed the Commission with his concerns regarding the
 deputizing of Bucks County Sheriff's as agents under ICE, to enforce immigration violators. Mr.
 Custer expressed several detailed reasons for the Pennridge Regional Police Department to not
 participate in the same program as the Bucks County Sheriff's office may be doing. Mr. Custer
 expressed that he had been assured by Chief Dickinson in an earlier conversation that the
 department would not be involved in enforcing federal immigration laws.
- Chief Dickinson assured Mr. Custer that there was no plan to participate in the program, and that the department would not have a need to participate in such a program.

Announcements:

An executive session will be held to discuss personnel.

Consent Agenda

- A. March 26, 2025, Meeting Minutes
- B. April 23, 2025, Financial Report
- C. April 23, 2025, Payment of Bills totaling \$93,736.05
- D. March 2025 Chief's Report

On motion by Mr. Schirmer seconded by Mr. Keyser, to approve the April 23, 2025 Consent Agenda. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Solicitors' Report: Matthew Hoover.

Mr. Hoover provided an update on the towing ordinance in East Rockhill Township relaying that it was approved for advertisement and that a copy of revisions has been sent to the West Rockhill Township solicitor for review/comparison.

On motion by Mr. Keyser seconded by Mr. Schirmer, to approve the solicitor report. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Business

Headquarter Heating and Cooling System Update:

Chief Dickinson presented the Commission with an update on the heating and cooling system in regard to the evaluation provided by Anderson Mechanical Corporation. The chief explained that the evaluation revealed that the Geo-Thermal pumps in the system may be overworking and that could be the reason for the efficiency issues. AMC agreed to return to the department in the summer months to reevaluate the system and then provide explanations and a plan moving forward to the commission at a public meeting.

There was brief conversation among the commission regarding the results of the evaluation of the heating system by AMC with no action taken.

Chief Dickinson recognized a letter from the Quakertown Borough Police Chief thanking Pennridge Regional for services provided at a recent protest in the Borough. Additionally the Chief made the commission aware of a \$1,000 donation made by Coronado Pool Plaster to the department.

Citizen Comment #2:

• Nick Custer, 2515 Wellington Court, expressed his concern about the heating system. The Commission explained that several companies have evaluated the system and that the department attempting to make repairs/improvements to the system to improve efficiency.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Keyser, seconded by Mr. Schirmer, to adjourn into executive session. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul T. Dickinson Jr. Chief of Police