

CENTRAL BUCKS REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION

Minutes

August 22, 2016

The monthly meeting of the Central Bucks Regional Police Commission was called to order by Chairman David Holewinski at 7:30 PM. All Commission members were present with the exception of Ms. Marilyn Becker. Also present were Chief James Donnelly, Captain Pat Penecale and Mr. David Sander. Mr. Holewinski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENDATION OF MERIT: Mr. David Holewinski presented A Commendation of Merit was presented to Officer Joshua Albillar, Officer Scott Stewart, Sergeant Paul Kreuter, Sergeant Wayne Jones, Detective Matthew Smith; and, Corporal Mark Duncan and Officer Parker Bullard of New Britain Township Police; and, Dispatcher Wendy Browne. The commendation was for officers' actions on July 23, 2016 on an attempted murder incident taken place in Chalfont Borough.

PART-TIME OFFICER SWEARING IN: Officer Nick Michalko was sworn in as a part-time Police Officer. Officer Michalko is a resident of Chalfont, graduated Central Bucks County in 2006, graduated the Police Academy at Temple University in 2016 and has worked as a security officer for Doylestown Hospital and Lower Bucks Hospital.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Mr. Det Ansinn to approve the meeting minutes of July 25, 2016; seconded by Mr. Ron Strouse. Motion approved.

FINANCE:

Reports – Chief Donnelly reported expenses for July YTD \$2,453,243.12 which represents 48.11% of the annual budget.

Budget 2017 – Mr. Strouse explained the Finance Committee met within the last week to review the working document for the 2017 Budget. There were six alternate and regular members of the Commission present in addition to the Finance Director for Doylestown Borough and the Borough Managers from both New Britain and Chalfont. He further stated, the budget that appears in the Commission packet is updated as a result of that meeting. Updates include the distribution formula to reflect an adjustment to population in New Britain Borough; percentages recommended are 59.84% to Doylestown Borough, 19.63% to New Britain Borough, 25.03% to Chalfont Borough. The Committee reviewed the budget line by line; however, it is likely the budget will be before the Commission again prior to final approval for refinements. Ms. Robyne Kelemen requested a copy of the Finance Committee minutes. Ms. Brinker will distribute a draft of the minutes to members. There was a question regarding a discrepancy in Capital budget which was determined to be \$7,500 toward the new building site survey. Mr. Strouse stated other topics at the Finance Committee meeting were discussed including grants, reduction of vehicle fleet by two with purchase of new vehicle, the breakdown of personnel testing that will take place in 2017.

Grants - Mr. Ansinn commented that the Finance Committee wants to see more money coming back from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to help support the regional police effort; the Chief's comments on Ms. Denise Spence being able to pursue additional grant opportunities through PCCD and other sources will be helpful. Chief Donnelly attended a Bureau of Justice conference in South Carolina

where he received an additional grant opportunity to pursue. The grant would involve Delaware Valley University and CBRPD for sexual assault training. Chief Donnelly will discuss with the University if they would be interested in hosting the training where both members of CBRPD and the University would attend training. Additionally, Chief Donnelly discussed the Smart Policing Initiative with the Director of the BJA. Although the Director did not promise an award, she did state CBRPD's application was brought to her attention personally and she was enthused about it. She further indicated if CBRPD were not to receive the award this year, the Department should put in for it next year. This grant totals \$700,000.

POLICE ACTIVITY: Chief Donnelly reported 2,092 incidents for the July (CB-483; DB-1233; NBB-376); reportable accidents totaled 2 (CB-0; DB-2; NBB-0); total Part I Crimes 19 (CB-1; DB-18, NBB-0); and total Part II Crimes totaled 39 (CB-2; DB-35; NBB-2).

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:54 PM, Mr. Holewinski indicated an executive session would take place to discuss a grievance on festive pay and a change in work schedule. It was determined no action would be taken after the Executive Session, hence, the meeting may adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mr. Ansinn to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 PM; seconded by Mr. Strouse. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

James Donnelly
Chief of Police