Present – Commissioner Gary Hadden - Ontelaunee Township, Commissioner Joseph Rudderow - Maidencreek Township, Granville Sandridge – Leesport Commissioner, Chief Scott Eaken, Ruth Manmiller-Secretary, Solicitor Ms. Rahman, and Charles Berger – Leesport Borough Alternate William Klein – Ontelaunee Alternate.

Guests: Diane Hollenbach, Brian Horner, Karen Chandler- Reading Eagle, Francis Scott, Clarence Davis, Sr. – Leesport Tax Collector

Gary Hadden called the December NBRPD Commission meeting to order at 11:00 AM.

Pledge to the Flag

**For the Record:** This meeting is being audio recorded for the NBRPD Commission.

**MINUTES**

**November Commission Meeting**

Joseph Rudderow made a motion, seconded by Granville Sandridge approving the November 14, 2016 Commission Meeting. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.” Motion carried

Joseph Rudderow made a motion, seconded by Granville Sandridge approving the November 21, 2016 Workshop Meeting. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.” Motion carried

**TREASURER’S REPORT**  Ruth Manmiller presented the November 2016 Treasurer’s report that included the fund balances, year to date budget report, and documentation of all transactions and bill payments. Joseph Rudderow made a motion, seconded by Granville Sandridge approving the November 2016 Treasurer’s report as presented and pay all bills. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.” Motion carried.

**CHIEF’S REPORT**

Chief Eaken read the November 2016 Activity Report and reported arrests made since October

Commission meeting;

11/19/16 Domestic/Simple Assault/Harassment – Village Tavern Parking Lot, Leesport Borough

11/19/16 DUI .121/Open Container/Underage – Rt 222 & Evansville Road, Maidencreek Twp.

11/20/16 Speeding/DUI (refused) – Rt 222 North near Rt 73, Maidencreek Twp.

11/22/16 Theft of Jewelry – Dries Road, Maidencreek Twp.

11/28/16 Theft of Services/Reckless Endangerment – Nichols St., Leesport Borough

11/30/16 DUI .212 – Rt 222 North near Rt 73, Maidencreek Twp.

12/03/16 Reckless Endangerment/Disorderly Conduct (M3) – West Wesner Road, Leesport Borough

12/07/16 Domestic/2 counts Simple Assault/Harassment – Calais Drive, Ontelaunee Twp.

12/11/16 Fraud/Theft by Deception/Conspiracy – Sheetz, Rt 61 Ontelaunee Twp.

Gary Hadden questioned the recent Supreme Court ruling on DUI blood testing and if will affect NBRPD officers. The Chief said it would affect NBRPD officers when making a DUI arrest. Since the ruling has to do with blood only, the District Attorney is working on a ruling and breath testing devises.

**Chief’s Report *Continued;***

Joseph Rudderow requested Rt222 near Rt 73, Maidencreek Township as the next location of the speed monitoring sign.

Chief reported on a successful speed detail conducted on Guldin Road, Joseph Rudderow thanked the PD.

Chief reported on a successful speed detail conducted on Snyder Road, Gary Hadden thanked the PD.

Joseph Rudderow commented the closure for a portion of West Shore Drive is in the works. The Reading Water Authority will take care of the closure. All local fire companies will have keys to the gate.

Granville Sandridge thanked the Chief for the various locations he has posted the speed sign throughout Leesport Borough. Leesport is getting their reputation back! He is very happy with the officers of NBRPD however; there are some officers that lack the motivation and/or enthusiasm to enforce traffic violations.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Francis Scott, Spirit Court Blandon is aware the Commission is in the process of hiring a new police Chief which this is the main reason for his visit to the NBRPD Commission meeting today. He is concerned the amount of time and expense involved to conduct the search for this position. Should an individual from the outside be chosen it will take time for the individual to become acquainted with the area? Why not hire the interested individual from within the department who is familiar with the operation of the department and the community?

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Training Report**

Defensive Training – Entire Department

2017 Mandatory Training has been schedule for the entire department

MICSAP (2) Day Training – Sgt. Mohl

POSIT – Several Officers

The Commissioners are pleased with 2016 training for the department. The extra training shows in the officers’ performance. They hope this training schedule continues.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Executive Session Conducted: 11:25 AM – 12:14 AM - Litigation**

**Health Insurance**

Joseph Rudderow made a motion, seconded by Granville Sandridge to move the current enrolled participants from the current Healthcare plan to Benecon Consortium Plan tailored to match the previous NBRPD Healthcare Insurance Plan to become effective 2/1/2017. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.” Motion carried.

**New Officer**

The search for a new officer was tabled till 2017.

**2017 Commission Meetings**

Joseph Rudderow questioned if 2017 NBRPD Commission meetings will be conducted on the same

day and time. It was agreed 2017 Commission meetings would be conducted the second Monday of the month at 11:00 AM. This will be confirmed at 2017 Re-organization meeting.

**New Weapons**

Joseph Rudderow made a motion, seconded by Granville Sandridge authorizing the Chief to purchase 15 Glock 9mm for the department not to exceed $4,200.00. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.” Motion carried. This price includes the gun, new holster and 3 clips. The vendor is allowing a trade in of our current guns and any unopened ammunition to offset the cost.

**New Tasers**

Joseph Rudderow made a motion, seconded by Granville Sandridge authorizing the Chief to purchase 15 X26-P Tasers, with holsters, and power cartridges not to exceed $16,633.50. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.” Motion carried. A savings may be realized since we will be ordering more than 10.

**ADJOURN** Joseph Rudderow made a motion, seconded by Gary Hadden to adjourn the meeting at

2:54 PM. All Commission members voted, “Aye.” Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth M. Manmiller

NBRPD Secretary

CC: Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors

 Ontelaunee Township Board of Supervisors

 Leesport Borough Council

 Diane Hollenbach, Maidencreek Township Secretary

 Ontelaunee Township Secretary

 Sandra Weiser, Leesport Borough Secretary

 S. Whitney Rahman, Blakinger Thomas, P.C.