**Present**: Commissioner Claude Beaver - Maidencreek Township, Commissioner, Gary Hadden - Ontelaunee Township Commissioner, Charles Berger – Leesport Borough Alternate Commissioner, Chief Scott Eaken, Ruth Manmiller-Secretary, and Solicitor Whitney Rahman.

**Guest**s: Angel Toro

Chairman Claude Beaver called the July 13, 2015 Northern Berks Regional Police Commission Meeting to order at 7:01 PM in the Ontelaunee Township Meeting Room.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**FOR THE RECORD** This meeting is being audio recorded by the NBRPD Commission and audio/video recorded by the NBRPD Association.

**MINUTES – June 8, 2015 Meeting Minutes**

Gary Hadden made a motion, seconded by Charles Berger approving the June 8, 2015 Commission Meeting. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.”

**MINUTES – June 29, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes**

Gary Hadden made a motion, seconded by Charles Berger approving the June 29, 2015 Special Commission Meeting. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.”

**TREASURER’S REPORT**  Ruth Manmiller presented the June 2015 Treasurer’s report that included the fund balances, year to date budget report, and documentation of all transactions and bill payments. Charles Berger made a motion, seconded by Gary Hadden approving the June 2015 Treasurer’s report as presented. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.”

**CHIEF’S REPORT**  Chief Eaken read the June 2015 Activity Report and reported on arrests made since the May 2015 Commission Meeting;

6/18/2015 Harassment /Stalking – Henry Drive, Maidencreek Twp.

6/20/2015 Drug/ Paraphilia (2) arrests – Christina’s parking lot, Maidencreek Twp.

6/21/2015 (7) Arrests – Disorderly Conduct, Obstruction of Administrative law, Public Drunkenness, Furnishing

 Alcohol to Minors - wedding reception brawl at Blue Falls Grove, Ontelaunee Twp.

6/30/2015 DUI .204 – park Road & main Street, Maidencreek Twp.

7/01/2015 Defiant Trespass – Lake Ontelaunee, Ontelaunee Twp.

**Wall Street, Leesport**

The Chief discussed future traffic issues for Leesport Borough when Penn Dot replaces the Wall Street Bridge. It was suggested an additional public meeting should be conducted by Penn Dot and include Leesport Borough, Centre Township, Bern Township and Ontelaunee Township. The Chief will email the Penn Dot representative with his traffic concerns.

**Traffic Count**

The Chief reported the traffic was counted on Kemmerer Road and now equipment has been moved to Berk Road.

**Gary Hadden – Ontelaunee Township reported;**

Ontelaunee Township will install three high resolution cameras for a three month trial basis through the state. There are several locations planned for the installation, one specifically is the township recycling container.

**Speed Enforcement**

The Officers continue to conduct speed enforcement in all municipalities – the 600 block of main Street, Blandon was recently targeted.

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

**NBRPD ASSOCIATION**

Angel Toro, NBRPD Association President wanted the Commissioners to be aware that the Association is eager to resume negotiations.

The Solicitor stated the Commissioners are eager to resume negotiations as well however; she is waiting to for the Labor and Industry to certify the Joint Certification. She suggested dates to be submitted (emailed to her) from the Association Bargaining Unit and the Commissioners.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Chief Waugh of Bern Township Police thanked Sgt. Mohl and Officer Wood for assisting Bern Township Officer Lengle during a disabled truck stop.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Joint Certification Status**

The Solicitor stated the next step to proceed with the Joint Certification; Chief Eaken will take down the Joint Certification notice Thursday (7/16/2015) and forward to the Solicitor. The Solicitor will then mail paperwork to Labor and Industry for certification.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**PCORI – Patient Centered Outcomes Research Fee**

The solicitor explained; as part of the Affordable Care Act, employers who provide additional insurance to their employees are now taxed. Form 720 must be completed for 2012, 2013 and 2014.

Tax is calculated by an average to total lives covered by the additional insurance multiplied by the appropriate set IRS fee. Ruth has prepared the forms and payments.

The reimbursements for prescription and doctor visits are considered additional insurance. The Solicitor will also research if the reimbursements are considered taxable wages.

**Solicitor**

The Solicitor will not be available to attend the August meeting; an associate of the firm will substitute.

**Employment**

Chief Eaken informed the Commissioners that after a lengthy interview process, Travis A. Parks has been chosen and he would like to make a conditional offer of employment to him as soon as possible. Gary Hadden made a motion, seconded by Charles Berger authorizing the Chief to make a conditional offer of employment to Travis A Parks. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.”

 **ADJOURN** Gary Hadden made a motion, seconded by Charles Berger to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 PM. 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

 Nicole Schwenk, Ontelaunee Township Secretary

 Sandra Weiser, Leesport Borough Secretary

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