**Present** Commissioner Claude Beaver - Maidencreek Township, Commissioner Gary Hadden - Ontelaunee Township, Shawn McMurtry – Leesport Commissioner, Chief Scott Eaken, Ruth Manmiller-Secretary, and Solicitor Whitney Rahman.

**Guest** Diane Hollenbach – Maidencreek Alternate, Charles Berger – Leesport Alternate, Ronald Mohl

Claude Beaver opened the December 8, 2014 Northern Berks Regional Police Commission Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Ontelaunee Township Meeting Room.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**FOR THE RECORD**

This meeting is being audio recorded by the NBRPD Association.

**MINUTES – November 10, 2014 Commission Meeting**

Gary Hadden made a motion, seconded by Claude Beaver, to approve the November 10, 2014 Commission meeting minutes. Shawn McMurtry abstained. Motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Ruth Manmiller presented the November 2014 Treasurer’s report that included the fund balances,

year to date budget report, and documentation of all transactions and bill payments.

Gary Hadden made a motion, seconded by Shawn McMurtry, to approve the November 2014 Treasurer’s Report. All Commissioners voted, “Aye.” Motion carried.

**CHIEF’S REPORT**

The Chief read the November 2014 Activity Report and commented on the following;

11/10/14 Domestic - Blue Falls Grove, Ontelaunee Township

11/11/14 DUI .155 - Leesport Ave., Ontelaunee Township

11/15/14 Theft/Drug Arrest, W. Walnuttree Dr., Maidencreek Township

11/19/14 Homicide by Vehicle - Double Fatal, Allentown Pike, Maidencreek Township

11/20/14 H&R, Driving Under Suspension, Redner’s Quick Shop, Maidencreek Township

11/22/14 Aggravated and Simple Assault, Resisting Arrest, Harassment, Misdemeanor Disorderly Conduct, and Public

Drunkenness– Spring Garden St, Leesport Borough

11/26/14 Simple Assault, Harassment, Disorderly Conduct – Leesport Ave, Leesport Borough

11/27/14 H&R,DUI,Drug Possession, No License – Allentown Pike & Dries Road, Ontelaunee Township

11/29/14 DUI .194 – Pottsville Pike & Wall, Leesport Borough

12/02/14 DUI .092 Speeding – Park Road, Ontelaunee Township

12/02/14 Burglary – Kindt Corner Road, Ontelaunee Township

12/06/14 Money Theft – Ashley Way, Ontelaunee Township

**CORRESPONDENCE** None

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Diane Hollenbach forwarded a complaint from Maidencreek Township resident John James; Requested speed monitoring on Main Street near Grove Road between the hours of 4:30 AM and 5:30 AM.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2015 Budget**

At the November Commission meeting, Claude Beaver, Maidencreek Township Commissioner on behalf of Maidencreek Township Board of Supervisors, requested a 3% ($62,500.00) reduction to the Northern Berks Regional Police 2015 Budget. The Chief could not reduce the 2015 budget by the $62,500.00 as requested however; he did reduce the 2015 Budget $25,486.07. He presented the Commissioners with revised budget with the areas of reduction noted.

To assist in the budget reduction, Ontelaunee Township revised the current lease agreement which is up for renewal to reduce rent to $3,500.00 a month for the next five years. (the current lease has the rent increasing 3% every year). Maidencreek Commissioner thanked Ontelaunee Supervisors for their efforts.

Shawn McMurtry and Charles Berger Council were not aware of the changes to the 2015 Budget and

wanted Council to review prior to any decisions being made.

Maidencreek Township asked for the Chief to attend the 12/11/14 Board of Supervisors Meeting to further explain the 2015 Budget.

The Chief asked that each municipality respond as soon as possible on their acceptance of the Northern Berks Regional Police 2015 Budget. The Chief would like to proceed with obtaining

applicants interested in employment to fill the vacant position left by a retiring officer in 2013.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Gary Hadden distributed the revised lease as discussed earlier. The Solicitor will review and provide direction at the next Commission Meeting. The new lease will be for five years and rent a set monthly payment of $3,500.00.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

**ADJOURN**

Shawn McMurtry made a motion, seconded by Gary Hadden to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 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.