**ATTENDING:** Gary Hadden-Ontelaunee Commissioner, Heidi Fiedler-Maidencreek Township Commissioner, Granville Sandridge-Leesport Commissioner, Ron Strause-Leesport Alternate, David Franke - Maidencreek Township Alternate, Kim Berger-Ontelaunee Township Alternate, Ruth Manmiller-Secretary, and Chief Brian Horner.

**GUEST:** Donna Culp

Another productive workshop was accomplished with still more suggestions to reduce the 2020 Budget.

Chief Horner and Ruth Manmiller presented “Plan C” option to move forward in adopting a

Northern Berks Regional Police 2020 Budget. They presented a Plan C for the 2020 Budget by deducting the total amount of 2019 funds ($272,643.51).and deducting from the original 2020 Budget $3,000,748.85 that was presented to the Commission in October 2019 (Plan A). Figures as follows:

**$3,000,748.85 Plan A proposed 10/20/2019**

 ($272,643.51) Remaining balance in Money Market Account 12/31/2019

 **$2,728,105.34 Plan C for 2020**

  **Percentage**

 **Contribution Year Month Increase**

Maidencreek 47.5% $1,295,850.04 $107,987.50 $9,051.95

Ontelaunee 33% $ 900,274.76 $ 75,022.90 $6,288.66

Leesport 19.5% $ 531,980.54 $ 44,331.71 $3,716.05

This option reduces the municipalities’ contribution from $41,777.51 (Plan A) to $19,056.56 (Plan C)

**THOMPKINS VIST BANK ACCOUNT**

The Commission discussed the current interest rate on the Tompkins Vist Money Market Account. Commission Fiedler wants to dissolve the Tompkins Vist Money Market Account and return the funds to each municipality per their percentage contribution. Commission Fiedler feels Maidencreek could earn more money by depositing their 47.5% in the Maidencreek Township PLIGET Account which currently has a 2% interest rate.

Ruth Manmiller promised to contact Tompkins Vist Bank again for a new interest rate. Also, explained the Tompkins Vist Bank account has saved the police department and the municipalities numerous times. In the past the funds saved the Pension Fund when the stock market crashed and to furnish the NBRPD office when moving into their current location. The funds are currently earmarked for possible litigation settlement.

The Chief and Ruth Manmiller asked to move forward on several items included in all budget proposals; one or possibly two New Police Vehicles, begin the Hiring Process, and Officer Advancement.

Budget Workshop adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth M. Manmiller

NBRPD Secretary

CC:

 Diane Hollenbach, Maidencreek Township Secretary to distribute to Supervisors

 Kim Berger, Ontelaunee Township Secretary to distribute to Supervisors

 Sandra Weiser, Leesport Borough Secretary to distribute to Council

 Christopher Gerber, Siana Bellwoar Law Offices