

**NORTHERN BERKS REGIONAL POLICE
COMMISSION MEETING
January 9, 2023**

ATTENDING: Ronald Strause - Leesport Commissioner, Dave Franke - Maiden creek Commissioner, Gary Hadden - Ontelaunee Commissioner, Josh Meck - Maiden creek Alternate, Josh Steingraber - Ontelaunee Alternate, Chris Gerber - Solicitor, Chief Jim Keiser, Alysia Fredericks - Administrative Assistant

GUESTS: Donna Culp, Eric Bauman, Sgt. Showalter, Det. Sgt. Wood

Commissioner Franke called the January 9, 2023 Commission Meeting to order at 6:19 PM, followed by the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

AGENDA: **Commissioner Hadden** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to approve the agenda. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

FOR THE RECORD: Nothing

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES: **Commissioner Strause** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Hadden** to approve the December 2022 Commission Meeting minutes. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The December 2022 Treasurer's report was given by Alysia Fredericks as follows-

Money Market	\$345,873.08	Tompkins Vist	\$159,890.94
General Checking	\$10,033.73	NNO	\$11,606.39
<u>Payroll</u>	<u>\$3,231.33</u>		
Total Budget Bal.	\$359,138.14		

Commissioner Strause made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Hadden** to approve the December 2022 Treasurer's report as presented. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Keiser read the activity report for December 2022.

TOWNSHIP	CALLS	CITATIONS	WARNINGS	CONTACTS	ARRESTS	HOURS OF SERVICE
Maidencreek	306	94	87	151	6	34.95 per day
Ontelaunee	205	33	42	63	3	13.48 per day
Leesport	68	5	6	10	0	2.84 per day
Administrative	33					
TOTAL	612	132	135	224	9	

FUEL: 1076.143 Gallons

MILEAGE: 9,464

FINES COLLECTED

Maidencreek - \$1646.78 Ontelaunee - \$3430.02 Leesport - \$378.76 TOTAL \$5455.56

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CRASHES: **Maidencreek - 14 (5 Reportable/9 Non Reportable/0 Hit & Run)**
Ontelaunee - 24 (10 Reportable/11 Non Reportable/3 Hit & Run)
Leesport - 3 (2 Reportable/1 Non Reportable/0 Hit & Run)

Chief Keiser provided an end of the year wrap up. The officers at NBRPD answered 7,646 calls for service during 2022. We also held our first National Night Out in a few years, which was largely due to a hiatus caused by Covid. In October, the department implemented the Body Worn Cameras and In Car Camera System. 2023 marks the 25th anniversary of the Northern Berks Regional Police Department. Towards the end of 2022, we also implemented our new inventory program for our evidence room.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Eric Bauman noted that the activity report showed a lot of department attention to Maidencreek Township for the month of December. Chief Keiser said that this was largely due to the traffic enforcements at the roundabouts.

Josh Meck asked about the parking tickets and when they would be implemented. Solicitor Chris Gerber said it is still a work in progress. Josh Meck said he is aware of several complaints in regards to a tractor trailer parked on Hoch Road. Det. Sgt. Wood said that this is a timely process, due to it being a state citation and Chief Keiser confirmed that we are aware of it.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing

NEW BUSINESS:

PCCD Body Camera Grant: **Chief Keiser** said that the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency issued the department a grant in the amount of \$116,273.00 to apply towards our Body Worn Cameras and In Car Camera Systems. This was due to the hard work and time spent by Sgt. Showalter in preparing all of the information needed to apply for the grant. **Commissioner Hadden** thanked Sgt. Showalter and the department for the time and dedication it takes to obtain a grant.

Consider Adoption of Resolution to Join the Berks County Emergency Response Team: **Commissioner Hadden** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to adopt Resolution 2-2023. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Commissioner Hadden said that National Night Out was a great success last year and asked if we could reach out to Bern Township to participate in this year's event. **Commissioner Strause** agreed that it doesn't hurt to ask and see if they are planning on doing an event on their own again or if they would like

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to be a part of our NNO event. **Chief Keiser** said that he would reach out to the Chief of Bern Township PD.

Commissioner Franke said that he has worked as a police officer for a number of years and this department is one of the best he has ever worked with. He commends the department and sees the officers out all of the time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: **Solicitor Chris Gerber** said that we would be having an executive session to discuss personnel, but there would be no action to be taken after the session.

ADJOURN:

At 7:35 PM, **Commissioner Hadden** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to adjourn the meeting immediately following the executive session. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alysia Fredericks
NBRPD Administrative Assistant

CC: NBRPD Commission & Alternates
Hunter Ahrens, Maiden creek Township Manager
Kim Berger, Ontelaunee Township Secretary
Sandra Weiser, Leesport Borough Secretary
Christopher Berger, Solicitor

