

**NORTHERN BERKS REGIONAL POLICE
COMMISSION MEETING
MAY 8, 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, Det. Sgt. Robert Wood - OIC (Officer in Charge), Alysia Fredericks - Administrative Assistant

GUESTS: Eric Bauman, Donna Culp

Commissioner Franke called the May 8, 2023 Commission Meeting to order at 6:04 PM, followed by the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence. He then announced that the commission would be holding an executive session to discuss labor issues.

After an executive session, Commissioner Franke announced that the meeting was back in session at 6:25 PM.

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

FOR THE RECORD: Nothing

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES: Commissioner Hadden made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Strause to approve the April 2023 Commission Meeting minutes. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The April 2023 Treasurer's report was given by Alysia Fredericks as follows-

Money Market	\$598,491.79	Tompkins Vist	\$159,911.97
General Checking	\$17,128.67	NNO	\$9,735.80
<u>Payroll</u>	<u>\$3,263.43</u>		
Total Budget Bal.	\$618,883.89		

Commissioner Hadden made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Strause to approve the April 2023 Treasurer's report as presented. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORT: Det. Sgt. Wood read the activity report for April 2023.

TOWNSHIP	CALLS	CITATIONS	WARNINGS	CONTACTS	ARRESTS	HOURS OF SERVICE
Maidencreek	300	83	54	96	4	27 per day
Ontelaunee	247	43	54	89	8	20.5 per day
Leesport	111	47	52	84	1	8.3 per day
Administrative	28					
TOTAL	686	173	160	269	13	

FUEL: 927.86 gallons MILEAGE: 9,163

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**CRASHES: Maidencreek - 21 (12 Reportable/7 Non Reportable/2 Hit & Run)
Ontelaunee - 17 (7 Reportable/7 Non Reportable/3 Hit & Run)
Leesport - 8 (3 Reportable/5 Non Reportable/0 Hit & Run)**

Det. Sgt. Wood then talked about various calls of interest. The department is still working on three main incidents - the robbery at Lords and Ladies in Maidencreek Township, the shooting in Leesport where the suspect shot at numerous cars, and a stabbing that occurred in Ontelaunee Township, stemming from a domestic dispute. There was a hearing held for the Ontelaunee Township incident and a charge of attempted homicide was added. Recently, there was a robbery that occurred on Route 61 just inside our jurisdiction in Ontelaunee Township. Though the robbery occurred in our area, it appears that the vehicle was targeted prior to entering our jurisdiction.

Donna Culp asked if the department gets involved in any of the various checkpoints that are featured in the newspaper. Det. Sgt. Wood said that all of the officers are checkpoint trained and participate if they are needed. The checkpoint locations are chosen based off of statistics that show a higher incident rate at that specific location. NBRPD does participate in various truck details throughout the year. Officer Dillman will be running a truck detail in our jurisdiction next month.

Commissioner Hadden said that the construction on the 222 bypass will be wrapping up in the next 3 weeks. Det. Sgt. Wood said that the crashes that occurred near the end of the Road to Nowhere were largely due to unfamiliar drivers and speed.

Commissioner Franke asked about the recent rollover at the roundabout and whether it was speed related. Det. Sgt. Wood said that conditions were fine that day and it was definitely speed related. The recent jackknifed tractor trailer truck was also due to speed.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Nothing

OLD BUSINESS:

National Night Out 2023 - Updates from May Planning Meeting: **Alysia Fredericks** reported that we held a very well attended meeting on May 3. We will be concluding the event with the fireworks show, just like last year. The registration brochures are back from the printer and we have begun distributing them to local businesses and groups. We are looking to have a larger media presence at this year's event. We would like to highlight our National Night Out since it is a multi-department event. Maidencreek Township, Ontelaunee Township and Leesport Borough will be lending support the day after the event by having their road crews participate with the cleanup

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in and around the school. The next planning meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 7 at 6:30PM in the Ontelaunee Township meeting room.

Update on Applications/Hiring: **Alysia Fredericks** reported that 9 employment applications have been picked up and 5 completed applications have been handed in. Applications will be accepted until May 26, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

Consider Adoption of Resolution 3-2023: **Solicitor Gerber** presented Resolution 3-2023, which is a resolution adopting Leesport Borough, Ontelaunee Township and Maiden creek Township's Parking Ordinances. The municipalities all worked with the solicitor's office to make sure that all of the parking fines were uniform. The resolution will serve to authorize the commission officers to issue the parking tickets. **Commissioner Hadden** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to adopt Resolution 3-2023. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Parking Tickets Update: - **Alysia Fredericks** presented a sample parking ticket to the commissioners and alternates. The tickets were sent to production and will be available within 4-6 weeks. **Det. Sgt. Wood** thanked the commission for moving ahead with this. All officers will carry ticket books with them. This will effectively allow the officers to enforce the township ordinances.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: Nothing

ADJOURN: **Commissioner Hadden** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to adjourn the meeting. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 6:51 pm.

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 Gerber, Solicitor