

**NORTHERN BERKS REGIONAL POLICE  
REORGANIZATION MEETING  
January 8, 2024**

**ATTENDING:** Dave Franke – Maidencreek Commissioner, Ronald Strause – Leesport Commissioner, Chuck Grebloski – Ontelaunee Commissioner, Josh Meck – Maidencreek Alternate, Josh Steingraber – Ontelaunee Alternate, Jim Moquin – Leesport Alternate, Chris Gerber – Solicitor, Chief Jim Keiser, Alysia Fredericks – Administrative Assistant

**GUESTS:** Eric Bauman, Donna Culp, Joe Farley, Robert Wood, Jr.

Commissioner Franke opened the reorganization meeting at 6:03 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence. **Commissioner Strause** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Grebloski** to appoint Alysia Fredericks as temporary chairperson of the police commission for the duration of the reorganization meeting. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried. Meeting was turned over to Alysia Fredericks.

**CHAIRMAN**

**Commissioner Strause** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Grebloski** to appoint **Commissioner Franke** as Chairman of the Northern Berks Regional Police Commission for 2024. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

**VICE CHAIRMAN**

**Commissioner Franke** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Grebloski** to appoint **Commissioner Strause** as Vice Chairman of the Northern Berks Regional Police Commission for 2024. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

**SOLICITOR**

**Commissioner Franke** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to appoint Siana Law, LLP as legal counsel to the Northern Berks Regional Police Commission for 2024. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

**CHIEF OF POLICE:**

**Commissioner Strause** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Franke** to appoint James E. Keiser as Chief of Police for the Northern Berks Regional Police Department for 2024. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

**SECRETARY/TREASURER**

**Commissioner Franke** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to appoint Alysia M. Fredericks as Secretary/Treasurer for the Northern Berks Regional Police Department and Commission for 2024. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

**2024 COMMISSION MEETINGS**

**Commissioner Strause** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Franke** to hold all 2024 Northern Berks Regional Police Commission meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 6:00 PM in the Ontelaunee Township meeting room. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

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**FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS**

**Commissioner Franke** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to utilize Fleetwood Bank for the Northern Berks Regional Police Money Market account, Payroll Checking account, General Checking account and National Night Out account for 2024. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

**Commissioner Franke** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to utilize Tompkins VIST bank for the Northern Berks Regional Police Money Market account for 2024. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 1-2024**

Resolution 1-2024 is a Resolution to Set Officers' Pension Contribution. It reads as "BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Northern Berks Regional Police Commission THAT:

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Act 600 of May 29, 1956, a pension plan administrator may, on an annual basis, by ordinance or resolution, reduce or eliminate payments into the Police Pension Fund by members; and

WHEREUPON, it has been resolved and is hereby resolved that the member contributions to the Northern Berks Regional Police Pension Plan will be set at 2.5% of compensation for the period from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in accordance with Article 24 of the Northern Berks Regional Police Collective Bargaining Agreement and Article VI, Section 6.2 of the Northern Berks Regional Police Pension Plan Document.

**Commissioner Strause** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Franke** to adopt Resolution 1-2024. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

**CLOSE MEETING**

**Commissioner Franke** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Grebloski** to close the 2024 Reorganization meeting at 6:09 PM. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Alysia Fredericks*

NBRPD Administrative Assistant

CC: NBRPD Commission & Alternates  
Diane Hollenbach, Maiden creek Township Manager  
Kim Berger, Ontelaunee Township Secretary  
Sandra Weiser, Leesport Borough Secretary  
Chris Gerber, Solicitor