

**NORTHERN BERKS REGIONAL POLICE
COMMISSION MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2024**

ATTENDING: Dave Franke – Maiden creek Commissioner, Ronald Strause – Leesport Commissioner, Chuck Grebloski – Ontelaunee Commissioner, Josh Meck – Maiden creek Alternate, Martin Goetz – Leesport Alternate, Chief Jim Keiser, Administrative Assistant Alysia Fredericks

GUESTS: Donna Culp, Eric Bauman

Commissioner Franke called the December 9, 2024 Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 PM, followed by the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

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

FOR THE RECORD: There was an executive session held on November 18, 2024 to discuss personnel matters.

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES: Commissioner Grebloski made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Strause to approve the November 11, 2024 Commission Meeting minutes. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The November 2024 Treasurer's report was given by Alysia Fredericks –

Money Market = \$394,464.14	Tompkins VIST = \$65,042.62
Checking = \$10,803.82	NNO = \$9,447.80
<u>Payroll = \$2,643.05</u>	
Total Budgeted Balance = \$407,911.01	

Commissioner Strause made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grebloski to approve the November 2024 Treasurer's Report as presented. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Keiser read the November 2024 activity report.

TOWNSHIP	CALLS	CITATIONS	WARNINGS	CONTACTS	ARRESTS	HOURS OF SERVICE
Maiden creek	350	63	48	96	6	30 Per Day
Ontelaunee	281	58	53	90	3	26 Per Day
Leesport	118	66	14	60	3	7 Per Day
Administrative	22					
Other	51					
TOTAL	822	187	115	246	12	

FUEL: 1,227 gallons

MILEAGE: 10,488 miles

CRASHES: 51 - Maiden creek: 28 (13 reportable, 14 non-reportable, 1 hit and run)

Ontelaunee: 17 (2 reportable, 14 non-reportable, 1 hit and run)

Leesport: 6 (2 reportable, 2 non-reportable, 2 hit and run)

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: Nothing

OLD BUSINESS:

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Distribute 2025 Budget – **Alysia Fredericks** said that copies of the approved 2025 Budget were available if any members of the public or the commission wanted one.

Department Holiday Dinner – **Alysia Fredericks** reminded the commission that the holiday dinner would be held from 5-8pm on Tuesday, December 17 in the Ontelaunee Township Municipal Building meeting room.

NEW BUSINESS:

Consider motion to begin the hiring process for a Full-Time Police Officer – **Commissioner Franke** mentioned that Officer DeBlasi will be retiring in a few months and we need to start looking for a replacement. **Commissioner Grebloski** asked if the department would consider sending an applicant to the academy with the agreement that they would be reimbursed for their training if they work for NBRPD after they graduate. **Commissioner Franke** said that it is something the commission could consider doing. **Commissioner Grebloski** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to begin the hiring process for a full-time police officer. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Consider motion to purchase lights and light mounts for AR15's – **Chief Keiser** said that the officers would like lights for the AR15's. He has begun looking at various lights and light mounts that could easily be installed on the AR15's by our armorer. **Commissioner Grebloski** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to authorize Chief Keiser to purchase lights and light mounts for the AR15's for an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Consider motion to purchase Streamlight Stinger flashlights – **Chief Keiser** stated that some of the older department issued flashlights no longer work or recharge. All of the recent new hires received Streamlight Stinger flashlights and he would like all officers to have this more compact version. This flashlight has a charging unit that can be mounted in the fleet vehicles. **Commissioner Strause** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Grebloski** to purchase Streamlight Stinger flashlights for all officers for an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Approve and sign MOU's with Schuylkill Valley School District – **Chief Keiser** provided the commission with copies of the yearly MOU's between NBRPD and each of the Schuylkill Valley schools (elementary, middle and high). **Chief Grebloski** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to approve and sign the 3 MOU's between NBRPD and Schuylkill Valley School District. All commissioners voted, “Aye”. Motion carried.

Consider motion to approve 911 Rapid Response to upfit vehicles in 2025 – **Alysia Fredericks** explained that the department had received quotes from other companies to do the upfitting work on the 2025 vehicles. This is due to concerns over the quality of work and the lack of timeliness on the current upfitting projects. The commission agreed that it is fine to use a different company to upfit the 2025 vehicles. No motion is necessary at this point in time.

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FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: Commissioner Franke said that the Commission will be holding an executive session after the adjournment of the meeting to discuss personnel issues.

ADJOURN: **Commission Grebloski** made a motion, seconded by **Commissioner Strause** to adjourn the meeting. All commissioners voted, "Aye". Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

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