

CENTRAL BERKS REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION

November 3, 2022

The November 3, 2022 meeting of the Central Berks Regional Police Commission was called to order at 6:30 PM by Commissioner John Theodossiou. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Commissioners answering roll call included John Theodossiou, James Oswald, Todd Weikel, and Joseph Cunliffe. Also, in attendance was Mark Merolla, Solicitor; Raymond Serafin, Chief of Police; and Rochelle Gresh, Executive Asst. to the Chief of Police. Absent was Shannon Billman. Audience members in attendance were Jim Lorah and Mayor Ryan Maurer. Troy Goodman arrived at 7:03PM

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION TO: approve the September 1, 2022 meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION BY: Mr. Theodossiou

SECONDED BY: Mr. Oswald

VOICE VOTE: All in favor

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

MOTION TO: approve accounts payable & payroll invoices and treasurer's report as listed on agenda.

MOTION BY: Mr. Theodossiou

SECONDED BY: Mr. Cunliffe

VOICE VOTE: All in favor

SOLICITORS REPORT: No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration/Personnel: No discussion was held on assistant chief or equivalent position.

MOTION TO: approve 2022 resolution 12-22 for 5% police employee contribution to the pension plan in 2023.

MOTION BY: Mr. Weikel

SECONDED BY: Mr. Oswald

VOICE VOTE: All in favor

Finance: 2023 Police and Codes budget were discussed. The need for the increase in the 2023 police department budget is because of the impact of higher costs from insurance and fuel, impact of inflation, current RMS system phasing out, and from some years of no increase to the police department.

MOTION TO: increase the commissions portion to the police department in 2023 to 18%

MOTION BY: Mr. Oswald

SECONDED BY: Mr. Goodman

VOICE VOTE: All in favor.

MOTION TO: purchase new software with the contract not to exceed \$5,600 a year.

MOTION BY: Mr. Oswald

SECONDED BY: Mr. Cunliffe

VOICE VOTE: All in favor.

MOTION TO: approve the codes 2023 budget as presented.

MOTION BY: Mr. Weikel

SECONDED BY: Mr. Theodossiou

VOICE VOTE: All in favor.

Insurance/Pension:

MOTION TO: retroactively accept the MMO as of September 1, 2022 in the amount of \$355,801.00

MOTION BY: Mr. Theodossiou

SECONDED BY: Mr. Goodman

VOICE VOTE: All in favor

MOTION TO: approve Duda Actuarial Consulting (\$3,100.00) and Feaster Pension Consulting (\$1,500.00) invoices to be paid from the pension fund.

MOTION BY: Mr. Theodossiou SECONDED BY: Mr. Oswald VOICE VOTE: All in favor

Building/Equipment:

Grant was awarded for the garage and discussion was held on what was needed to be done before construction of the garage begins.

REPORTS OF THE CHIEF AND SECRETARY:

Chief: Chief Serafin presented his monthly report for September and October.

Secretary: No Report

UPDATES:

Lower Alsace Township: No report

Mount Penn Borough: No report

Police Association: No Report

Codes: No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion was held on meeting dates for next year and on the Oley Police services contract.

MOTION TO: authorize Theodossiou to execute the Oley Police services contract for five years, 2023- \$765,044.95; 2024- \$809,035.03; 2025- \$849,486.78; 2026-\$883,466.25, and 2027 \$914,387.56.

MOTION BY: Mr. Oswald SECONDED BY: Mr. Cunliffe VOICE VOTE: All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2022 at 6:30PM at the Mount Penn Borough municipal building.

MOTION TO: adjourn the meeting at 8:15PM

MOTION BY: Mr. Oswald SECONDED BY: Mr. Cunliffe VOICE VOTE: All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rochelle M. Gresh,
Executive Assistant to Chief of Police