

CENTRAL BERKS REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
September 5, 2024

The Septmeber 5, 2024, meeting of the Central Berks Regional Police Commission was called to order at 6:30PM by John Theodossiou. The meeting opened with the pledge to the flag.

Commissioners answering roll call included, John Theodossiou, Troy Goodman, Ryan Maurer, and Todd Weikel. Also, in attendance was Mark Merolla, Solicitor; Raymond Serafin, Chief of Police; and Christeena Hauck. Absent: Tom Baer and Jim Oswald

Members of the audience in attendance are Mayor of St. Lawrence Corrie Zana, Codes Enforcement Administrator Arthur Kelly Jr.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION TO: approve the August 1, 2024, meeting minutes as presented.

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

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

MOTION TO: Approve Accounts Payable & Payroll Invoices from General Fund as August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$297,721.54.

MOTION BY: Mr. Maurer SECONDED BY: Mr. Weikel VOICE VOTE: All in favor

MOTION TO: Approve Treasurer's report for August 2024 in the amount of \$634,257.52.

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

SOLICITORS REPORT:

MOTION TO: Approve Resolution 12-24 establishing employee contributions to the pension fund.

MOTION BY: Mr. Weikel SECONDED BY: Mr. Maurer VOICE VOTE: All in favor

MOTION TO: Approve the SRO agreement with Oley Valley Area School District.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Theodossiou SECONDED BY: Mr. Weikel VOICE VOTE: All in favor

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration/Personnel:

1. Discussion was held regarding the hiring of a full-time patrol officer to replace the SRO officer for Oley School District.

MOTION TO: Hire the new patrol office effective immediately to replace the SRO Officer.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Goodman SECONDED BY: Mr. Maurer VOICE VOTE: All in favor

MOTION TO: Approve the Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police job description.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Maurer SECONDED BY: Mr. Theodossiou VOICE VOTE: All in favor

MOTION TO: Regretfully accept the Resignation of Rochelle Gresh as Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police effective August 31, 2024.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Theodossiou SECONDED BY: Mr. Maurer VOICE VOTE: All in favor

MOTION TO: Appoint Raymond Searfin as the Right to Know Officer.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Theodossiou SECONDED BY: Mr. Weikel VOICE VOTE: All in favor

MOTION TO: Conditionally offer employment for Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police pending background check.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Maurer SECONDED BY: Mr. Goodman VOICE VOTE: All in favor

MOTION TO: To retroactively approve the assignment of the SRO to Oley Valley School District pursuant to the agreement.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Theodossiou SECONDED BY: Mr. Goodman VOICE VOTE: All in favor

Finance:

1. Chief Serafin reported the budget is in process.
2. Mr. Weikel reported the 2024 audit was complete and clean.

MOTION TO: Authorize the signature on the representative letter from the auditor.

MOTIONED BY: Mr. Maurer SECONDED BY: Mr. Weikel VOICE VOTE: All in favor

Insurance/Pension: The Pension Committee will meet to discuss review the non-uniform pension plan.

Building/Equipment: Mr. Weikel reported the roof is complete and has a ten-year warranty.

REPORTS OF THE CHIEF AND SECRETARY:

Chief: Chief Serafin presented his monthly report for August 2024 and reviewed the parking permit program in Mount Penn. Twenty-two citations were issued on the first day, each day after has become less.

Chief reported the residual cost for the body cameras will be less than originally thought. This cost will be \$25-30,000.

Secretary: No Report

UPDATES:

Lower Alsace Township: No Report

Mount Penn Borough: No Report

St. Lawrence Borough: No Report

Police Association: No Report

Codes: No Report

OLD BUSINESS: No Report

NEW BUSINESS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Was held from 7:19 PM-8:00 PM to discuss personnel. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2024, at 6:30PM at the Mount Penn Borough municipal building.

MOTION TO: adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM

MOTION BY: Mr. Weikel

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Christeena Hauck