

**MINUTES OF THE STROUD AREA REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 08, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Stroud Area Regional Police Commission was held on Wednesday, July 08, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom virtual conference. Commission members in attendance via Zoom were: Sonia Wolbert, Mary Pat Quinn, Armand Martinelli, Daryl Eppley, Joanne Kochanski, Rick Staples, Rod Baechtold, Tarah Probst and Brian Bond. Also in attendance: Chief Jennifer Lyon, Captain Paul Gasper, and Solicitor John Prevoznik.

SPECIAL NOTE

Mr. Martinelli read the following prepared statement at the beginning of the meeting: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and to meet the requirements established by the Office of Open Records for virtual meetings, this meeting was being audio and video recorded via ZOOM from the initial announcement of the meeting until its end. The meeting was also streamed live on the SARPD's Facebook page where the public could interact and ask questions in real time.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Martinelli called the July 08, 2020 regular meeting of the Stroud Area Regional Police Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. and Mr. Eppley called roll.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Martinelli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 2020 COMMISSION MEETING

Motion by Mr. Eppley, seconded by Ms. Quinn to accept the June 17, 2020 Commission Meeting Minutes with a correction added on page 2 (Old Business; Executive Administrative Position motion) "All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously." All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2020

Motion by Ms. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. Quinn to accept the Department Report for June 2020 as submitted. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Operations Committee

No Meeting. Meeting in reference to policies to be scheduled in the next month.

Personnel

No meeting.

Safety

No Meeting.

Police Pension Board

No Meeting.

Non-Uniform Pension Board

No Meeting.

Capital Improvement Committee

No Meeting.

Budget/Finance

No Meeting.

Negotiation Committee

Mr. Eppley reported that they had a meeting on June 18th and June 26th for negotiations and will be meeting with the SARPD Association again on July 23rd.

SARPC Foundation

No Meeting.

Solicitor

No Report.

OLD BUSINESS

Extensions of COVID-19 Declaration of Disaster Emergency and Policies.

Motion made by Ms. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. Quinn, to extend the SARPC Declaration of Disaster Emergency effective March 27, 2020 to the shorter of December 9th 2020 at 9 P.M. or until the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania lifts all emergency orders pertaining to the Covid-19 pandemic; nothing herein shall preclude the Commission from extending, modifying or terminating the order by further action at an open meeting if necessary. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Baechtold, seconded by Mr. Bond, to extend the SARPC Teleworking Policy effective March 27, 2020 to the shorter of December 9th 2020 at 9 P.M. or until the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania lifts all emergency orders pertaining to the Covid-19 pandemic; nothing herein shall preclude the Commission from extending, modifying or terminating the order by further action at an open meeting if necessary. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Mr. Eppley, to extend the SARPC Covid-19 Personnel Use Policy effective March 27, 2020 to the shorter of December 9th 2020 at 9 P.M. or until the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania lifts all emergency orders pertaining to the Covid-19 pandemic; nothing herein shall preclude the Commission from extending, modifying or terminating the order by further action at an open meeting if necessary. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to accept the unaudited Treasurer's Reports as submitted. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

BILLS PAYABLE THROUGH JULY 08, 2020

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to accept and pay the bills payable through July 08, 2020 as submitted. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

SARPD Online Account Access

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert seconded by Mr. Eppley to ratify the actions of the Chair in consultation with the Chief to provide online/ view only account access to the SARPD financial accounts at PNC and ESSA banks to the Chief and Executive Administrative Assistant. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Perdue Pharma L.P. Bankruptcy Case; Proof of Claim

Motion made by Ms. Probst, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to authorize the solicitor in consultation with the Chief and Vincent Rubino, bankruptcy counsel, to research and if warranted to file a proof of claim in the Perdue bankruptcy matter. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Probst received a letter from the Republican Women of Monroe County requesting that the police force is not defunded. Ms. Probst stated that she did not have a way to contact them and wanted them to know that defunding was not a topic of discussion and she supports the SARPD.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Mr. Staples to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.