

**MINUTES OF THE STROUD AREA REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 9, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Stroud Area Regional Police Commission was held on Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Stroud Area Regional Police Meeting Room. Commission members in attendance were: Armand Martinelli, Daryl Eppley, Mary Pat Quinn, Joanne Kochanski, Brian Bond, Rick Staples, Tarah Probst, and Sonia Wolbert. Absent was Rod Baechtold. Also in attendance were: Chief Jennifer Lyon, Captain Scott Raymond, Tracie Kresge, and Solicitor John Prevoznik. Commission members Rick Staples and Tarah Probst attended via Zoom.

SPECIAL NOTE

Mr. Martinelli announced that 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 Zoom link was posted on the SARPD's website where the public could join the Zoom meeting, interact, and ask questions in real time.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Martinelli called the February 9, 2022 regular meeting of the Stroud Area Regional Police Commission to order at 7:03 p.m. and called roll.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Martinelli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2022 COMMISSION MEETING

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Quinn to accept the January 12, 2022 Commission Meeting Minutes. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to accept the Department Report for January 2022 as submitted. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Operations Committee

Chief Lyon reported that the draft polices Use of Force, Reporting Use of Force, Conducted Energy Weapon, and Officer Involved Shootings were completed and would be presented to the Operations Committee and Union for their recommendation to the Commission.

Personnel

No meeting.

Safety

No meeting.

Police Pension Board

Mr. Staples stated that he provided the Commission with a document from PFM on a portfolio update. He asked that members review the document and contact him with any questions. Mr. Staples reported that a quarterly pension meeting is scheduled for 2/23/22.

Non-Uniform Pension Board

No meeting.

Budget/Finance

No meeting.

Negotiation Committee

No meeting.

SARPC Foundation

No meeting.

Solicitor

Solicitor Prevoznik reported that there are no updates regarding the PHRC case. The Dales lawsuit is being handled by insurance and there are outstanding motions to dismiss.

OLD BUSINESS

None

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 FEBRUARY 9, 2022

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Quinn to accept and pay the bills payable through February 9, 2022 as submitted. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Statement of Financial Interest.

Mr. Martinelli stated that the statement of financial interest is due by May 01, 2022.

Officer Joseph Britt Resignation.

Motion made by Ms. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. Wolbert to ratify the Chief's acceptance of Officer Joseph Britt's resignation from the SARPD effective 02/03/22. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Accrued Benefits- Joseph Britt.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Mr. Bond to approve payment of the audited accrued benefits of 57 hrs. Memorialized sick time at 50% at \$39.5567 per hour as per the CBA, for Joseph Britt in the total amount of \$1,127.37 to be paid out of the PLGIT undesignated funds. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Joseph Susinskas DROP Request

Motion made by Ms. Probst, seconded by Ms. Wolbert to approve Detective Joseph Susinskas entering into the DROP for a 5 year period on 4/01/22 contingent upon him signing the DROP settlement agreement and Release of Claims contract. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Promotion to fill 1 Vacant Sergeant Position.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to promote Corporal John Miller to the position of Sergeant, salary as per CBA. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Promotion to fill 3 Vacant Corporal Positions.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to promote Michael Sampere to the position of Corporal, salary as per CBA. Officer Sampere shall be promoted first. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Ms. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. Wolbert to promote Brandon Fenner to the position of Corporal, salary as per CBA. Officer Fenner shall be promoted second. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to promote George Dobson to the position of Corporal, salary as per CBA. Officer Dobson shall be promoted third. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Swearing in Ceremonies for the Sergeant and Corporals to be held Thursday 2/10/22 at 6 PM in the Commission Meeting Room.

Secretary Position.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to hire Bianca Corrado as a full time police secretary at the rate of \$18.27 per hour and all other benefits as provided to the civilian personnel. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Suppression System Fail.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Mr. Epply to authorize Target Fire Protection, Inc to supply and replace a 4 inch Watts 909 LF back flow preventer in an amount not to exceed \$6900.00 in order to pass the Fire Protection Inspection. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

SARPD Tow Policy.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to adopt the revised Towing Policy #4.608 and to rescind any former Towing Policy currently in effect and authorize the solicitor to revise the Hold Harmless Agreement to incorporate changes to Towing Policy. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

MDJ Court Lease.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to approve addendum #4 to the commercial court lease agreement between the Monroe County Board of Commissioners and the SARPC to extend the lease for MDJ Muth office for a 5-year period from 4/01/22- 03/31/27 as follows- Year 1- \$51,751.81, Year 2- \$53,304.37. Year 3- \$54,903.50. Year #4- \$56,550.60. Year #5- \$58,247.12. Conditioned upon Monroe County Commissioners approval and execution of Addendum #4. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of Three (3) new Patrol Vehicles.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Quinn to purchase three (3) patrol ready 2022 Ford Interceptors from Ray Price Ford (COSTARS) at a cost not to exceed \$65,000.00 per vehicle and as per the budgeted line items. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of Body Cams.

Motion made by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Quinn to enter into a 5 year agreement with WatchGuard Inc (COSTARS, Vendor #310471) for the purchase of 40 body worn cameras and evidence management software for body cameras and in car dash cameras at a cost of \$36,521.40 per year. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Quinn to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.
All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.