

**MINUTES OF THE STROUD AREA REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 12, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Stroud Area Regional Police Commission was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at 7:00 p.m., in the Stroud Area Regional Police Meeting Room. Commission members in attendance were: Rick Staples, Sonia Wolbert, Mary Pat Quinn, Armand Martinelli, Daryl Eppley, Joanne Kochanski and Tarah Probst. Brian Bond and Rod Baechtold were absent. Also in attendance: Chief Jennifer Lyon, Captain Paul Gasper and Solicitor John Prevoznik.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Martinelli called the February 12, 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.

RATIFY HIRING OF MATTHEW CONDRAD

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski, to ratify the hiring of new Officer Matthew Condrad to the Stroud Area Regional Police Department retroactive to his starting date of February 10, 2020. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

OATH OF OFFICE – MATTHEW CONDRAD

Mr. Martinelli administered the Oath of Office to Officer Matthew Condrad. Chief Lyon issued him his badge.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2020 COMMISSION MEETING

Motion by Ms. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. Probst to accept the January 8, 2020 Commission Meeting Minutes as submitted. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2020

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Operations Committee

No Report

Personnel

Solicitor Prevoznik reported he had items for Executive Session.

Safety

Mr. Staples reported there was a meeting and there were a few minor injuries but no accidents to report. He reported Safety Committee Training was held and the department received the 5% discount which was \$8,025.00 off the workers' compensation policy.

Police Pension Board

Mr. Staples reported there would be a quarterly Police Pension Board meeting on February 26th.

Non-Uniform Pension Board

No Meeting

Capital Improvement Committee

No Meeting

Budget/Finance

No Meeting

Negotiation Committee

Solicitor reported there may be a meeting pending toward the end of the month

SARPC Foundation

Ms. Kochanski reported there was a Foundation meeting. There was one recommendation for the SARP to purchase firearms for the SWAT team, from donations to cover that in the amount of \$11,393.00, the cost of the guns is \$7,199.92. After discussion, motion by Ms. Probst seconded by Ms. Wolbert to approve funding the purchase of 4 Thompson Center LLR308 rifles with scopes for the SARPD SWAT team, utilizing monies donated by the Pocono Irish American Club to the SARPC Foundation in the amount not to exceed \$7,500.00. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Kochanski reported the balance in the foundation after the bills are paid is \$80,120.82, some of this is already earmarked for certain items.

Solicitor

Solicitor Prevoznik reported he had items for Executive Session.

OLD BUSINESS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

The Statement of Financial is due by May 1, 2020.

TREASURER'S REPORT

After discussion, motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to table the Treasurer's Report until the next meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

BILLS PAYABLE THROUGH FEBRUARY 12, 2020

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to accept and pay the bills payable through February 12, 2020 as submitted. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Statement of Financial Interest

Mr. Martinelli reminded the Commission Members that their Statement of Financial Interest is due by May 1, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

2020 Records Destruction

Motion by Ms. Probst, seconded by Ms. Kochanski to move forward with the 2020 police records destruction schedule as presented. Schedule attached to minutes. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of Firearms

Motion under SARPC Foundation

PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Probst reported some the artists from Stroudsburg are not happy with the outcome of the charges for the individuals who damaged the Snowmen. Solicitor Prevoznik recommended that they contact the District Attorney's office. He stated that once the charges are handed over to the Court, it is the District Attorney's office who handles the disposition of all charges.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Ms. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. Wolbert to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:24 p.m. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Joanne Kochanski, seconded by Ms. Wolbert to reconvene into Regular Session at 7:48 p.m. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Prevoznik reported personnel matters were discussed in Executive Session. No decisions were made.

DEPARTMENTAL DISCIPLINE

Motion by Ms. Kochanski, seconded by Ms. Probst to approve the Departmental Discipline for Officer Badge #0604 as presented and recommended by Chief Lyon and as accepted the Officer and union. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Wolbert, seconded by Ms. Joanne Kochanski to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. All voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Daryl Eppley, Secretary