

**POCONO MOUNTAIN REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
12 JUNE 2018**

PRESENT:

DAVID W MOYER	-TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP	-CHAIRMAN
FRANCIS DePIANO	-TUNKHANNOCK TOWNSHIP	-VICE CHAIRMAN
KURT CUMMINGS	-COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP	-TREASURER
BRENDON CARROLL	-TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
DAVID CARBONE	-TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
JUAN ADAMS	-TUNKHANNOCK TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
LYNN KELLY	-COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
ALMA RUIZ-SMITH	-COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
CHRIS WAGNER		-CHIEF OF POLICE
HARRY COLEMAN		-SOLICITOR

ABSENT:

FREDERICK COURTRIGHT	-BOROUGH OF MOUNT POCONO	-SECRETARY
CLAUDETTE WILLIAMS	-BOROUGH OF MOUNT POCONO	-MEMBER
JOHN SEESE	-BARRETT TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER

CALL TO ORDER:

The Regular Business Meeting of the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Commission was held at the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Building and called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Moyer with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

APPROVE MINUTES:

Motion:

David Carbone made a motion to adopt the minutes of 8 May 2018, seconded by Kurt Cummings. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion:

David Carbone made a motion to adopt the minutes of 21 May 2018 Special Meeting, seconded by Lynn Kelly. The motion passed with Alma Ruiz Smith abstaining.

APPROVE BILLS:

Motion:

Francis DePiano made a motion to approve the Bill-pack of 12 June 2018 in the amount of \$445,913.51, seconded by Juan Adams.

Alma Ruiz Smith questioned Check 15895 Legal Services – Chief indicated it was Law Suit deductible.

With no additional comments or questions, the motion passed unanimously.

POLICE REPORT:

Total calls for the month of May were 1206 consisting of 1121 Complaints and 85 Accidents. There were a total of 83 Criminal Arrests, 310 Traffic Arrests, 177 Traffic Warnings and 11 Ordinance Arrests.

Chief Wagner went over the monthly and year to date activity numbers per municipality as well as the UCR Crime Stats.

Motion:

Francis DePiano made a motion to accept the May Police Report, seconded by Juan Adams. The motion passed unanimously.

VEHICLE REPORT:

Chief indicated that the 2 new sedans are in and currently being upfitted. These vehicles will be replacing Car 12-2010 Chevy Tahoe that will be donated to Mount Pocono and Car 8-2014 Dodge Charger will be retired and looking for motion to get bids to sell.

Motion:

David Carbone made a motion to advertise for bids for Car 8, seconded by Brendon Carroll. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief reviewed the mileage and expense report for May.

Motion:

David Carbone made a motion to accept the May Vehicle Report, seconded by Juan Adams. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE:

- **Member Municipality Concerns**

Tobyhanna Township – Thanked the Chief and Officers for the Memorial Day traffic control.

Tunkhannock Township – Proud at the job the Officers did at the race.

Coolbaugh – Invited Commission Members and public to Veterans Day Memorial Service – PCP Road Construction Traffic Control

Mount Pocono – N/A

Barrett Township – N/A

- **Pension**

Chief stated the Quarterly Pension meeting was on May 14 and he reviewed the 1st Quarter Performance. 1st Quarter beginning Market Value was \$21,556,673 with net flows of (\$150,313) and loss on investments of (\$106,699) for an ending 1st quarter market value of \$21,299,662.

Motion:

Francis DePiano made a motion to accept the 1st Quarter Pension Report, seconded by Juan Adams. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Re-Paving Project**

Re-Paving Project is complete. Special Meeting on May 21 regarding the additional crack and base repair that was needed at an additional cost of \$19,448.00 at which time a motion was made to approve the additional work pending legal review. Attorney Coleman did review the request and sent a Legal Opinion letter to the Commission stating he felt it appropriate to move forward with the vote and suggested that the minutes of this meeting reflect the approval.

Change Order #1 - Chief stated that once the work started they did find the ground to be very spongy and recommended excavating and adding between 6 and 12 inches of additional stones at an estimated cost

between \$2,500 and \$4,000. He received confirmation from Attorney Coleman that it would be appropriate to have them move ahead with the work. The Change Order actually came in at \$2,900.

Motion:

Brendon Carroll made a motion to accept Attorney Coleman's Legal Opinion for the Amendment and Change Order and approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$2,900.00, seconded by Francis DePiano. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Sidewalk Project**

Sidewalk Project is complete.

- **Community Events / Letters of Support**

May 1 – Chief and multiple officers – Lunch with students at Swiftwater Elementary

May 6 – Cp. Nero and Ofc. Michaels assisted with Friends for Scouting Charity Motorcycle Ride

May 7 – Sgt. Larue escorted Kyle Petty Charity Motorcycle Ride to Pocono Raceway

May 8 – Cpl. Mertz attended Monroe County Children's Community Night

May 12 – Sgt. LaRue, Cpl. Nero and K9 Creed attended PA State Police Sunny Day Camp at Pocono Raceway

May 12 – PMRPD Officers vs PMW Basketball Team – Proceeds benefit PMW Booster Club

May 19 – Ofc. Chaffee met with Pocono Community Church Security regarding Active Threat

May 20 – Assisted Red Cross Run for the Red Marathon

May 22 – Cpl. Miller spoke at Clymer Library to Seniors regarding Identity Theft and Fraud

May 24 – Cpl Nero and K9 Creed at Swiftwater Elementary to accept K9 donation in memory of K9 Niko

May 25 – Cpl Nero & K9 Creed and Ofc. Lutkowski & K9 Hilo @ Tobyhanna Elementary to accept K9 donation

May 27 – Cpl Nero & K9 Creed and the PMRPD Honor Guard attended the Mt Pocono Fly In Breakfast

May 28 – Sgt. LaRue, Ofc. Michaels, Ofc Smelas and Ofc. Burk assisted and attended the American Legion Parade in Pocono Pines

May 30 - Letter from UD Dept of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) thanking us for our participation in the Drug Enforcement Task Force

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Personnel**

Chief stated that he received a resignation letter from Officer Amanda Healy effective May 21, 2018 and would like a motion to accept her resignation.

Motion:

David Carbone made a motion to regretfully accept the resignation of Amanda Healy, seconded by Francis DePiano. The motion passed unanimously.

- **2019 Hiring**

Chief stated that with the resignation of Officer Healy and our list about to expire he requested a motion to start a new hiring process and advertise to test to establish a new list.

Motion:

Francis DePiano made a motion to advertise to start a new hiring eligibility list, seconded by Kurt Cummings. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Speed Study**

Chief review stats from 6 different speed studies in different areas throughout our jurisdiction that were conducted with the Speed Trailer.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Vincent Massaro – Coolbaugh Township – commended officers for the great job they do. He also raised concerns about the new firework laws and how they will be enforced.

Alma Ruiz Smith commented about addressing the Opioid situation

Deatra Cummings – Coolbaugh Township – questions on the Speed Trailer Study.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion:

Francis DePiano made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Juan Adams. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned approximately 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Frederick Courtright
Pocono Mountain Regional Police
Commission Secretary