

ALLEGHENY VALLEY REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT



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POLICE COMMISSION MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Rick Stoneburner at 4:34 p.m. at the Cheswick Borough Building located at 220 S. Atlantic Avenue, Cheswick, Pennsylvania followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Ric

Rick Stoneburner – Chairperson

Amy Kuhns – Vice Chairperson Robert Kristof – Commissioner Brad Stanzione – Commissioner Anthony Taliani, Jr. - Commissioner

Brad Yaksich – Commissioner Michael Naviglia – Chief of Police Pamela Manning – Secretary Jaclyn M. Shaw, Esq – ABSENT

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

No citizens were present.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Discussion of Federal Grant. Tri-Star to be making arrangements for delivery of 2023 Ford Explorer. New vehicle will be loaded with equipment from other cars and balance of federal grant to be used for additional equipment.

GENERAL OFFICE:

Motion by Commissioner Kristof to approve the payment of bills listed through the end of May 2023.

BUDGET & FINANCE:

Motion by Commissioner Yaksich to purchase a 2023 Ford Explorer from TriStar in the amount of \$38,343.38, 2nd by Commissioner Kuhns. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Yaksich to cancel Comcast phone/fax contract for the Cheswick station, 2nd by Commissioner Taliani. Motion passed unanimously

Motion by Commissioner Yaksich to contract phone/fax lines with Full Service Network along with Cheswick Borough, 2nd by Commissioner Kristof. Discussion by Chief explaining the new phone service, an improvement from current one, that the Department will have the ability to transfer in the event the station moves to a different location in future. Cheswick

Borough is making the change that required the Police Department to follow. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion regarding the health insurance benefits for the four full-time officers.

Motion by Commissioner Yaksich to accept insurance services for full-time officers through Municipal Benefits Services, 2nd by Commissioner Kuhns. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Yaksich to cancel the contract with UPMC for health insurance for the full-time officers, 2nd by Commissioner Kristof. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Taliani to obtain Performance Blue, Highmark health insurance for the full-time officers, 2nd by Commissioner Kristof. Discussion to confirm with the Chief that the officers were okay with changing health care providers. He stated yes. Motion passed unanimously.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

Motion by Commissioner Kuhns to hire Erik Brannock as a part-time officer, effective immediately, 2nd by Commissioner Yaksich. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Kuhns to acknowledge the letter from the full-time officers accepting the Commissioners' wage proposals, extension of the current contract through December 31, 2027 and the removal of Section 2, under Article VI-Wages, in the Allegheny Valley Regional Police Department Employment Agreement, 2nd by Commissioner Yaksich. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion tabled regarding the effective date to begin wage increases.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Two Applicants to Civil Service Test / One Background Test

ADJOURNEMENT:

Motion by Commissioner Yaksich to adjourn, 2nd by Commissioner Kuhns. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Approved on the 13th day of June, 2023.

ATTEST: