

Pennridge Regional Police Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 21, 2024

The regular business meeting of the Pennridge Regional Police Commission was held at 5:00pm on November 21, 2024 in the meeting room at the Pennridge Regional Police Headquarters, 200 Ridge Road, Sellersville, PA 18960.

Present:	Jay Keyser	Commissioner
	Gary Volovnik	Commissioner
	David Collingwood	West Rockhill Township Supervisor
	Paul T. Dickinson Jr.	Chief
	Matt Hoover, Esq.	Solicitor
	Dave Nyman	East Rockhill Township Supervisor
	Greg Lippincott	West Rockhill Township Manager
	Marianne Morano	East Rockhill Township Manager

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Mr. Keyser with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Citizen Comment #1

There were none.

Announcements

There were none.

Consent Agenda

- A. October 23, 2024, Meeting Minutes
- B. November 21, 2024, Financial Report
- C. November 21, 2024, Payment of Bills totaling \$83,930.29
- D. October 2024 Department Activity Report

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Collingwood, to approve the November 21, 2024, Consent Agenda. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Solicitors Report: Matthew Hoover

There was none.

Business

Consideration in adopting Resolution 2024-03 & 04

Chief Dickinson presented the Commission with Resolutions 2024-03 and 2024-04, for authorization to apply for grant funding for replacement of fleet equipment and to update the department's body worn and in car camera systems. Chief Dickinson estimated each grant to most likely exceed the amount of \$100,000 and suggested the possibility of supplementing with 10% match funds.

Mr. Keyser inquired about how the department/commission would meet that funding match requirement if the department was awarded the grants. He asked if they would be paid for by splitting cost between townships, use of capital reserve funds or from budget.

Chief Dickinson expressed that he believed that the funding could be budgeted for in the 2026 budget and added that we would only be made aware of the funding in October of next year, so incorporating the costs could be a possibility.

Mr. Volovnik expressed that he would believe that including match funds, shows the commitment the department is making towards grant application and program.

Mr. Nyman also added that East Rockhill Township would be able to provide funding if the grant was awarded.

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Collingwood, to approve **Resolution 2024-03** and **Resolution 2024-04** granting the authority to apply for DCED LSA Grant Funding, with the Commission committing 10% funding to each grant application. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

2025 Meeting Dates January 22, February 26, March 26, April 23, May 28, June 25, July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22, November 20, and December 18:

On Motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Collingwood, to approve and advertise the 2025 meeting dates at 5:00pm on the fourth Wednesday of the month except for the months of November and December to be held the third Thursday of the month as presented by the Chief of Police. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Consider Entrance into the Act 1033 Program.

Chief Dickinson presented Commission with information regarding the Act 1033 program and the possibility of receiving Department of Defense equipment. The Chief believed there could be some benefit and explained the application fee of \$600 to enter the program.

On Motion by Mr. Collingwood, seconded by Mr. Volovnik, to permit the Chief to enter the Act 1033 program thorough the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. With no additional discussion, all present voted in favor.

Chief Dickinson reminded the Commission and public that the next meeting was Thursday, December 19, 2024 at 5:00 PM.

Public Comment #2

Mr. Lippincott, along with others in attendance, commended the Chief on the new artwork that was displayed in the meeting room.

Chief Dickinson presented the Commission with communication from PMRS in regards to the distress score of the department's pension plans. He explained that the funds distress score was 0 and that was an indicator of the pension being funded at 90% or better.

Adjournment

On motion by Mr. Volovnik, seconded by Mr. Keyser, to adjourn the meeting. With no additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul T. Dickinson Jr. Chief of Police