

**1847 Southern Police Commission  
Continuation Meeting  
2017 Budget  
November 15, 2016**

A public continuation meeting of the Southern Police Commission was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at the New Freedom Borough Council Chambers, 49 East High Street, New Freedom, PA 17349.

Commission Members Present: Roy Burkins, John Trout, Bruce Merrill, Buck Buchanan, Jeff Halapin, Rob Herzberger, Doug Young and Nate Kirschman

Commission Members Absent: Jeff Blum, Pete Schnabel, and Adam Rettig

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**FINANCE**

- Buck Buchanan reviewed the amended draft of the 2017 budget with the commissioners. Jeff Halapin made a motion to approve the 2017 budget in the amount of \$1, 883, 074, pending any insurance increases; second: Rob Herzberger. Motion carried.
- The Finance Committee has a scheduled meeting on December 5 at 3:00 pm to review the reported sick leave referenced in the auditor's report, in the amount of \$23,792.

**CONSULTANT RECOMMENDATION**

- Sergeant Smuck requested a neutral, third party to assist with negotiations between the Commissioners and Southern Regional Police Department, as decisions are made about the future of the department.
- Sergeant Smuck presented to the Commissioners information on Police Management Consultant, William Smeal. This information included his resume, an introduction to his service, and a Consultant Agreement outlining his fees: \$75/hr or \$6,750.00 (whichever is less).
- Buck Buchanan made a motion for the Commission to approve entering into a contract with William Smeal pending (1) established price (2) defined objectives; second: Nate Kirschman. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- 8:20 PM - Nate Kirschman made a motion to adjourn; Second: Buck Buchanan. Motion carried.