

**Southern Police Commission
Monthly Meeting
June 7, 2017**

A public meeting of the Southern Police Commission was held on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at the New Freedom Borough Council Chambers, 49 East High Street, New Freedom, PA 17349.

Commission Members Present: Rollin Apgar, Jeff Blum, Buck Buchanan, Roy Burkins, Jeff Halapin, Robert Herzberger, John Trout, John-Paul Whitmore (Seated Alternate)

Solicitor: Peter Ruth

Police Chief: James Boddington

Alternate Members Present: Victoria Riberio

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Trout at 19:00 with the pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence for fallen police officers, firefighters, and EMT's who lost their lives in the line of duty.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were several members of the public present, including family and friends of Officer Mike Storeman. Some of them stated they were glad to be able to come to the meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Chairman Trout asked Chief Boddington to make his presentation.

CHIEF'S PRESENTATION to OFFICER STOREMAN

Chief Boddington recognized extraordinary service and performance by Officer Michael Storeman. A year and a half ago, Officer Storeman was injured while on duty making an arrest. Officer Storeman returned to light duty work as soon as possible. There were numerous investigations requiring attention and other office work that needed to be done. He reported every day between therapy sessions, surgery, and dealing with pain. Chief Boddington specifically recognized Officer Storeman performance as an inspiration for all of us. For any person considering law enforcement as a career, he's to be considered as the epitome of a Police Officer. Chief Boddington expressed that he's very proud to have Officer Storeman as a Police Officer with the Southern Regional Police Department.

Chief Boddington also recognized the other Police Officers in the Department who provided call-related assistance and moral support to Officer Storeman. Our Police Officers have reported for work under adversity, including illness, to assure that our communities receive police services.

Chief Boddington welcomed Officer Storeman "back to work" returning to full duty, and awarded Officer Storeman with the Police Law Enforcement Purple Heart for his courageous service to the community and the Southern Regional Police Department.

Chief Boddington also recognized Mrs. Storeman for her support and care of Officer Storeman during his recovery from the injuries.

Officer Storeman recognized his fellow Officers for their assistance and support at the time of the incident as well as during his recovery, and recognized his wife for her support.

CONSULTANT'S REPORT

Chairman Trout asked Consultant Chief Ron Smeal to present clarifying information regarding the new measurement processes. As the consultant was preparing to present, Chairman Trout announced that all of the member municipalities had passed the required ordinances to put the changes into effect. A document that is to be signed by all of the municipalities has started distribution as of this meeting.

A copy of the document to be reviewed by Ron Smeal was distributed to the Commissioners present to facilitate the discussion and a copy is attached to, and made a part of, these minutes. Changes include PPU adjustments to take into consideration the PPU's, incidents, and hours attributable to the "contracted" non-member municipalities.

There were a considerable number of questions, answers, and discussion.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MAY MEETING MINUTES

- A motion was made by Commissioner Blum, seconded by Commissioner Buchanan, to approve minutes of the previous meeting as published and amended. That motion carried.

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MARCH 2017 EXPENDITURES

- Expenses for March 2017 were presented and reviewed. The discussion included a clarification request regarding the Health Care rebate for May having been received. A motion was made by Commissioner Halapin, seconded by Commissioner Blum, to approve expenditures for check numbers 10427 through 10461 in the amount of \$154,959.86. A motion carries with an Aye vote unanimously.

CHIEF'S REPORT

- Sgt. Smuck has prepared the May report in conjunction with supporting the preparation of Mr. Smeal's presentation. This timely report was possible also due to the amount of time from the first of the month to the current meeting date. The report format is being updated and changed to reflect the PPU measurement system including incidents and hours. Sgt. Smuck provided clarification. There was more discussion regarding report content. Commissioner Buchanan requested changes in the labeling of the information in the reports.
- Chief Boddington reported on the highlights of May:
 - On the 12th there was a bank robbery in New Freedom. Within 2 minutes SRPD Officers had both the suspect and accomplice in custody and they are currently in York County Prison awaiting trial.
 - Officer Blaise came in on his day off to work as a detective on the robbery to get the charges done.
 - Evidence was found in the suspects' vehicle indicating that they'd been involved in another bank robbery in Maryland.
 - Officer Blaise responded to an attempted burglary at Saubel's Market in Shrewsbury during 2012. An arrest was made with DNA evidence with support from the FBI who had been working on another case.
 - Glen Rock Brewfest went OK.
- Sgt. Smuck reported that crime solvability in York County averages approximately 33%. Records show SRPD solvability to be approximately 50% for last year and 65% this year to date.

INSURANCE & PENSION

- No report

PERSONNEL

- No report.

FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT

- No report

REVIEW OF EXPENDITURES - FINANCE & BUDGET

- Chief Boddington has been reviewing accounts receivable and payable. Expenses appear to be where they should be. Legal charges appear to be up a little. Overtime is down.
- Expenses for training are a bit higher resulting in higher travel expenses.
- Commissioner Herzberger observed that Professional fees seem a bit higher than usual. Most of this expense is attributable to Consultant Smeal's charges and expenses.
- There was more discussion about expense control details.

CONTROL AND TRACKING DOCUMENT

- No report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Chairman Trout prefaced the Solicitor's Report by say that Officer Hefner, representing the Officers Association (bargaining unit) had just given him a letter to extend the bargaining agreement per previous informal commitments. That document has been given to Solicitor Ruth.
- Three things are included within the amended in the agreement:
 - Contact term will be extended for one year commencing January 1, 2018, and ending on December 31, 2018.
 - There will be a zero percent pay increase for the year covering this period of time.
 - Commission is to agree to not lay off or furlough any officers during this period.
 - The contract terminates December 31, 2018 unless it is specifically re-entered into by the Commission.
 - Solicitor Ruth has examined the document. There are grammatical points of refinement to be cleared up, and he requests that the Commission to approve the agreement subject to final Solicitor review. A motion was made by Commissioner Buchanan, seconded by Commissioner Herzberger, for the agreement to proceed. That motion carries by unanimous Aye consent and the required signatures were obtained at the meeting.
 - With reference to the amended and restated IGA, the respective Council Commissioner members will transport and circulate all of the "originals" for signature.

OLD BUSINESS

- None, due to discussion recorded above.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Commissioner Halapin, seconded by Commissioner Blum, for adjournment. The motion passed by Chairman's acclamation.