



**Southern Police Commission
Monthly Meeting
May 4, 2016**

A public meeting of the Southern Police Commission was held on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at the New Freedom Borough Council Chambers, 49 East High Street, New Freedom, PA 17349.

COMMISSION MEMBERS: Roy Burkins, Jeff Blum, John Trout, Jeff Halapin, Buck Buchanan, Ben Wetzel, Peter Schnabel, Robert Herzberger, Chief Boddington

Solicitor: Peter Ruth

Alternate members present: Nate Kirschman, Bruce Merrill

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence for all police officers, firefighters, and EMT's who were killed in the line of duty.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- The focused enforcement on West Forrest Avenue has been greatly appreciated by residents, per Nate Kirschman. Thank you to SRPD for the effort.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF APRIL 2016 MINUTES

- The April 2016 minutes were approved as submitted. Motion: Jeff Halapin; Second: Buck Buchanan

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF APRIL 2016 EXPENDITURES

- Monthly expenditures for April totaled \$156,140.12, utilizing checks 10031-10073. Motion to approve: Buck Buchanan; Second: Ben Wetzel

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

- The two new officers are still on FTO
- Two requests for increased enforcement in:
 - Glen Rock*
 - ✓ To monitor speed and running of stop sign on Hanover Street. As of Monday, May 2: 10 citations and 3 warnings were issued.
 - ✓ To monitor posted No Parking areas due to street sweeping. As of Monday, May 2: 16 parking tickets and twice this amount in warnings were issued.
 - Shrewsbury*
 - ✓ To monitor speed on West Forrest Ave. As of Monday, May 2: 5 citations and 8 warnings were issued.
- As part of the Drug Take-Back Program sponsored by the DEA, 16 boxes totaling 480 lbs. of drugs were picked up from the department on April 30.
- New Freedom Borough will be offering an area of the building's parking lot as a Safe Zone for Cariglist transactions. Posted signs will designate this area for buyers and sellers to meet while being monitored via security cameras.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Facilities

- Carpet installation is projected to be completed in June.

Review of Expenditures

- Overall balance = \$467, 449.03; accounts receivable = \$242,915.52

Finance and Budget

- Buck will send an increase recommendation for Southeastern School District [SESD] to Peter Ruth, who will then share with the SESD solicitor to inform their school board.

Formula

- Recommendation made for two proposals to be presented to the municipalities:
 - A funding formula based on 60% police hours, 20% population, 20% mileage
 - A funding formula based on Robert Herzberger's recommendation as follows:
 - 2017 - 1/3 police hours, 1/3 population, 1/3 mileage
 - 2018 – 60% police hours, 40% mileage
 - 2019 – 80% police hours, 20% mileage
 - 2020 & beyond – 100% police hours
- Motion made by Buck Buchanan for municipalities to review and accept one of the two above proposals - or present a counter proposal – at the June Commissioners meeting.
Second: Jeff Halapin
- Buck will send a letter to the municipalities detailing the two recommended formula proposals.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Peter Ruth reviewed the Southern Regional Police Commission Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy document:
 - Permission is required with a majority vote - before travel arrangements are made; meal reimbursement will be approved at this time.
 - Reimbursement is limited to Commission Members and Alternates only.
 - If attending a seminar, an overview presentation of the event to the Commissioners is required upon return.
- Motion to approve: Jeff Halapin; Second: Roy Burkins

NEW BUSINESS

- National Night Out – August 2, 2016. 6-9 PM. Marie Halapin and Bill Hanson gauged interest for helping out. If anyone would like to participate, please contact Marie or Bill.

ADJOURNMENT

- A motion was made by Jeff Halapin, with a second by Roy Burkins, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM.