NORTHERN REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT JOINT POLICE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 31, 2024 Township of Pine Community Center

The meeting of the Northern Regional Police Department Joint Police Board was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chair, Donna L. Snyder.

Members in attendance were Chair; Donna L. Snyder, Dan Dimond, Raymond Kendrick, John Marshall, Jack Candek, Marshall Township alternate Philip Troy, Pasquale D. Avolio, and Ryan Colombo. Also in attendance were Captain Bryan DeWick and Solicitor Jonathan Whalen. Casey White and Chief John A. Sicilia were not in attendance.

<u>Comments from the Public</u>- A large crowd of people, including NRPD officers and community members, attended the meeting. The following people addressed police board members directly in support of Captain Bryan DeWick being promoted to NRPD Chief of Police:

- NRPD Sergeant and Franklin Park Borough resident Michael Dorsh- Sergeant Dorsch spoke on behalf of NRPD Officers
- Mr. Chris Ruldolph- Richland Township resident
- NRPD Detective Timothy Hohos- Pine Township resident
- Mr. Billy White- Richland Township resident
- Mr. Paul Chedwick- Richland Township resident
- Retired NRPD Sergeant William Engeman- Marshall Township resident

<u>Comments from Police Board Members</u> – Pasquale Avolio and Jack Candek spoke favorably regarding the show of support for Captain Bryan DeWick by NRPD officers and community members.

<u>Discussion Regarding Appointment of Successor or Acting/Interim Successor to Role of Department Chief of Police and Compensation/Benefits/Terms and Conditions of Employment for Successor or Acting/Interim Successor-</u>Discussion moved to Executive Session

New Business

1. <u>Motion to accept the notice of retirement, effective August 9, 2024, of Northern Regional Police Department Chief of Police John A. Sicilia.</u>

Donna Snyder requested a motion to accept the notice of retirement, effective August 9, 2024, of Northern Regional Police Department Chief of Police John A. Sicilia. Motion was made by John Marshall, seconded by Raymond Kendrick. Donna Snyder, Dan Dimond, Raymond Kendrick, John Marshall, Jack Candek, and Marshall Township alternate Philip Troy voted aye. Pasquale D. Avolio and Ryan Colombo voted nay. Motion carried.

2. Motion to appoint an "Acting Chief" to serve on an interim basis effective August 9, 2024 and until a permanent appointment to the position of Chief of Police is made.

OR

3. <u>Motion to appoint a successor Chief of Police of the Northern Regional Police Department</u> effective August 9, 2024.

John Marshall made a motion, seconded by Raymond Kendrick, to appoint Bryan DeWick as Chief of Police of the Northern Regional Police Department, effective August 9, 2024. The aye vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

<u>Executive Session-Discussion/Update Regarding Collective Bargaining Negotiations</u> – Donna Snyder requested a motion to enter Executive Session at 7:22 P.M. Motion was made by Raymond Kendrick, seconded by John Marshall. The aye vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Donna Snyder requested a motion to return to public session at 7:52 P.M., seconded by John Marshall. The aye vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

New Business-Continued

4. <u>Motion to establish compensation/benefits/employment package for "Acting Chief" or successor Chief of Police.</u>

Donna Snyder requested a motion to establish compensation/benefits/employment package for successor Chief of Police, Bryan DeWick, to reflect the same amounts as approved for former Chief of Police, John A. Sicilia. Motion was made by Dan Dimond, seconded by John Marshall. The aye vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Pasquale Avolio made a motion to adjourn at 8:08 P.M., seconded by Raymond Kendrick. The aye vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Norma Ann M. McMichael

Administrative Assistant to Chief of Police, Bryan S. DeWick

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