

## **MINUTES OF MEETING FOR NORTHERN REGIONAL POLICE BOARD**

**FEBRUARY 25, 2026**

**MARSHALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER (7:00 PM)**

Chairman Ryan Colombo called this Northern Regional Police Board meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **NRPD SWEARING IN OF NEW OFFICER**

Prior to the regularly scheduled agenda items, Police Board Chair, Ryan Colombo, administered the Northern Regional Oath of Office to Austin D. Steele.

### **ROLL CALL**

Members in attendance: John Marshall, Richland Alternate George "Skip" Allen, Donna Snyder, Dan Dimond, Ryan Colombo, J. Tracy, Audrey Mackie, and Jack Donahue. Jason Bragunier attended remotely. Also in attendance were Chief Bryan DeWick, Captains Jeff Jones and Matt Blough, and Solicitor Jonathan Whalen.

There were six members of the public present.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Marshall Township resident Earl Brugunier addressed the Board and expressed his concerns regarding speed enforcement in his neighborhood and the lack of lane markings on the roadway. He suggested that NRPD officers utilize his driveway as a location to monitor traffic and conduct speed checks. Mr. Brugunier also stated that he would like to see better public communication from the NRPD via social media and the department's website, including giving residents advance notice of speed enforcement times and locations.

Mr. Brugunier also voiced concerns regarding the department's budget and anticipated cost to residents associated with the new station project. While he praised NRPD officers for their overall service, he commented on a few of them and the department's internal promotion process. He stated his opinion that the Chief of Police position and others should be up for public posting and consideration, with residents having a role in the selection process.

### **MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING**

The motion was made by Audrey Mackie seconded by Dan Dimond to approve the Board meeting minutes from January 28, 2026. Board member Jack Donahue abstained from the vote. Motion carried with seven aye votes.

### **REPORTS**

#### **CHIEF REPORT**

Chief DeWick presented his report.

The motion was made by John Marshall and seconded by Skip Allen to approve the Chief's report for

January 2026. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

### TREASURERS REPORT

J. Tracy presented the Treasurer's report and noted increases in overall General Fund assets, revenues, and operating expenses from January 2025 to January 2026, along with a decrease in police service expenditures. He stated that many of these changes were attributable to a difference in quarterly workers' compensation premiums. J. Tracy concluded by reporting that operating surplus was in line with 2025 levels.

The motion was made by John Marshall and seconded by Dan Dimond to approve the Treasurer's report for January 2026. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

### **COMMENTS FROM POLICE BOARD MEMBERS**

No public comments were made.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### UPDATE ON AGREEMENT WITH SHARP PERFORMANCE TO PROVIDE OFFICER WELLNESS SERVICES

Chief DeWick reminded the Board of the previous discussion on partnering with Sharp Performance to provide officer wellness services to department personnel and their spouses. He mentioned that Solicitor Jonathan Whalen had reviewed the agreement and approved it for Chief DeWick's signature, and the document was included in the meeting packet for reference.

#### PRESENTATION ON BHA PROPOSAL NO. 36067 PHASE 1: PROGRAMMING AND CONCEPT DESIGN, AND PHASE 2: SCHEMATIC DESIGN

Buchart Horn Architects presented the results of Phase 1: Programming and Concept Design and Phase 2: Schematic Design and distributed schematic design plans to the Board. BHA explained that the proposed designs anticipated growth to a 60-officer department within the next decade to avoid the need for another rebuild in the near future. They noted that the renovation would improve separation between public, staff, and detainee areas, enhance vehicle security, MEP systems, building fixtures, and safety. BHA also stated that the station is currently lacking about 3,000 square ft of space, and the proposed options focused on remedying the situation with flexible layouts for improved circulation and access. Overall, the presented designs prioritized short-term goals and allowed room for future expansion.

BHA indicated that they planned on starting construction while personnel remained on-site, requiring the project to be completed three phases. Five developed concept options were presented, with Concept 5 recommended as the preferred option. Concept 5 included establishing a secure perimeter, separate staff and public parking, expansion of the north lot, a covered structure for 30+ vehicles, and approximately 16,504 square feet of assignable space, which they noted was less than previously anticipated. They discussed the reorganization of detective offices and locker rooms, adding a central meeting room and a sally port, updating fire alarm and sprinkler systems and other major alterations. The room renderings were presented with a construction cost estimate broken down by category. The project estimate totaled \$12.3 million, or about \$13.7 million with additions. BHA clarified that the next steps included gathering feedback, proceeding with design development, conducting parking and operational studies, and updating the project cost and schedule. They added that costs were

calculated on a cost-per-square-foot basis.

Board member Jack Donahue inquired about the anticipated construction timeline and construction constraints. BHA replied that they intended to begin construction by end of the year 2026 and proceed in three phases beginning with the front portion of the building, although the timeline would depend on coordination with Pine Township, utility companies, and building wide-mechanical systems. Chief DeWick affirmed that minimizing the number of departmental moves during construction was necessary to uphold the evidence chain of custody and to counter current compliance issues related to juvenile and female holding areas. When asked about the most significant challenges from BHA's perspective, they identified access to the sanitary sewer and coordinating construction activities with Pine Township and police schedules.

Pine Township Manager Jason Kratsas approached the Board to question whether relocating Pine Township staff would assist in furthering the project, and BHA responded that doing so would reduce construction from three phases to two. Chief DeWick emphasized that relocating the evidence in a single move would be preferable. BHA stated that the three-phase approach would remain a fallback option if Pine staff were unable to temporarily relocate and Chairman Ryan Colombo confirmed that everyone would meet again before next board meeting. Jason Kratsas also discussed the lease, letting the Board know that they were working with Acres Real Estate and anticipated having something for the Board within 4-5 weeks. Board member Jack Donahue asked when the final cost figures would be available, and expressed his concerns regarding the project losing momentum based on his real estate experience. BHA responded that updated estimates would be provided on the bid day, with another estimate or two before project-end. BHA agreed with Chief DeWick to keep the Board updated and provide thumb disks containing the information discussed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **MOTION TO APPROVE PHASE 3: DESIGN DEVELOPMENT, PHASE 4: SITE DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN, AND PHASE 5: CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS OF BHA PROPOSAL NO. 36067**

Chairman Ryan Colombo questioned if the managers required additional time to review the BHA presentation materials. Jason Kratsas stated that the managers had only reviewed the previous version, but BHA pointed out that the addition size and related costs presented at the Board meeting were congruent with that version. Chairman Colombo inquired about tabling phases 4 and 5 while proceeding with phase 3 design development. BHA responded that they would like to continue engineering design development but would need approval for phases 4 and 5 as well or else would pause work. Jason Kratsas expressed concern about moving forward without a complete understanding of site development impacts on Pine's side, but indicated support provided sufficient time was allowed for decision-making. Chief DeWick confirmed the NRPD's satisfaction with the schematic design plans and emphasized that they reflected the department's true operational needs over the next twenty years.

Jason Kratsas raised additional concerns regarding access to the mechanics bay in Concept 5 and voiced that the concept would need to be developed as Pine Township recently assumed control over fire department services. Board member Dan Dimond asked and BHA confirmed that Concept 5 was the generally accepted design, as it appeared in the board packet. Captain Blough added that the managers had reviewed the plans already and police department personnel had already started to envision its impact. Richland Township Manager Brian O'Malley agreed that Concept 5 was achievable.

Before finishing the discussion, Chief DeWick mentioned that parking remains an ongoing concern. Board member Audrey Mackie questioned if the temporary relocation of Pine Township staff would resolve this, to which Chief DeWick replied that it would partially, noting current overlap among patrol, visitor, Pine Township and administrative staff vehicles.

The managers agreed to proceed with BHA proposal phases 3 through 5, contingent upon continued coordination and ongoing discussions with BHA. Chief DeWick concluded that approval of these phases would render the NRPD eligible to apply for lobbyist and grant funding opportunities to offset costs.

The motion was made by John Marshall and seconded by J. Tracy to approve Phase 3: Design Development, Phase 4: Site Development and Design, and Stage 5: Construction Documents of BHA Proposal No. 36067. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESIGNATION OF EMPLOYEE #306409, EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2026

The motion was made by Audrey Mackie and seconded by Dan Dimond to approve the resignation of Officer Trevor Brough, effective March 1, 2026. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

No comments were made.

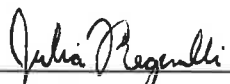
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The board agreed to cancel the executive session listed on the agenda. No additional comments were made.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The motion to adjourn was made by John Marshall and seconded by Jack Donahue. The aye vote on the motion was unanimous. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.

  
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Recording Secretary – Julia Reginelli

  
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Chief Bryan DeWick