

**POCONO MOUNTAIN REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
11 July 2023**

**PRESENT:**

DAVID W MOYER	-TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP	-CHAIRMAN
FRANCIS DePIANO	-TUNKHANNOCK TOWNSHIP	-VICE CHAIRMAN
WILLIAM WEIMER	-COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP	-TREASURER
KURT CUMMINGS	-COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
BRENDON CARROLL	-TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
CRAYSON CHEUNG	-TUNKHANNOCK TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
CHRIS WAGNER		-CHIEF OF POLICE

**ABSENT:**

JOHN SEESE	-BARRETT TOWNSHIP	-SECRETARY
TRACY FOX	-COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
DAVID CARBONE	-TOBYHANNA TOWNSHIP	-MEMBER
RANDY ALTEMOSE	-MOUNT POCONO BOROUGH	-MEMBER
DON STRUCKLE	-MOUNT POCONO BOROUGH	-MEMBER
HARRY COLEMAN		-HARRY COLEMAN LAW

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

The Regular Business Meeting of the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Commission was held at the Pocono Mountain Regional Police Building, called to order on July 11, 2023, at 7:17 p.m. by Chairman Moyer and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

**APPROVE MINUTES:**

**Motion:**

Fran DePiano made a motion to adopt the minutes of 13 June 2023, seconded by William Weimer. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVE BILLS:**

**Motion:**

Fran DePiano made a motion to approve the Bill-pack of 13 June 2023 in the amount of \$295,727.53, seconded by William Weimer. The motion passed unanimously.

## **POLICE REPORT:**

Total calls for the month of June were 1177, consisting of 1104 Complaints and 73 Accidents. There was a total of 88 Criminal Arrests, 204 Traffic Arrests, 175 Traffic Warnings and 18 Ordinance Arrests. Mr. Cummings asked the Chief if he thought the Air BnB's contributed to the calls. There was a brief explanation.

### **Motion:**

Fran DePiano made a motion to accept the June Police Report, seconded by Crayson Cheung. The motion passed unanimously.

## **VEHICLE REPORT:**

The Chief went over the high and low mileages of vehicles. There are no updates on the 2023 vehicle order.

### **Motion:**

Fran DePiano made a motion to accept the June Vehicle Report, seconded by Brendan Carroll. The motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Speed Study – The Chief stated that the trailer is up and running. He stated that he usually runs the speed trailer in the Spring through the Fall. He noticed some mechanical issues with it last Fall where it wasn't holding a charge and then shut down. He replaced all the batteries and that seemed to fix the issue. The Chief went over the speed trailer locations and reports.

## **UPDATE:**

- **Member Municipality Concerns**

Tobyhanna Township - Thank you for the coverage and the officers at meetings.

Tunkhannock Township - Thank you for the officers at the meeting. Thanks again for the great job.

Coolbaugh Township - Appreciates the follow up with the gas station issue. Mr. Weimer asked the Chief about the different fines. The Chief gave a brief explanation on the differences. Mr. Weimer also commented on an incident in Pocono Farms and that the officers did an outstanding job.

Mount Pocono Borough -

- **American Recovery Act Grant**

Chief Wagner advised that the department recently received an updated quote from SSI and in the interim sought out two additional vendors due to the excessive delays. With the final quote from SSI the Chief is hoping to receive the two other quotes in the next two weeks. Once those quotes are received, all of the other quotes for the grant will have to be updated. Hopefully, by the next meeting this can move forward.

- **2023 Hiring Process**

Cody Peters, Ryan Thomas and Adam Bond, cadets who were approved for employment last month, have started the Act 120 program. The fourth cadet, Michael Sabastianelli, graduates the Act 120 program at the end of July.

- **Pension**

There is no new information update to the pension. The next meeting is August 15, 2023.

- **Community Events / Letters of Support**

The Chief received a letter of gratitude from an incident that Officer Michael Cinamella handled.

6/11/23 – Officer Cinamella assisted St. Maximillian Kolbe Church in Pocono Pines with celebrating the feast of Corpus Christie and the procession around town.

6/16/23 – Officer Smelas spoke to the children at Coolbaugh Mountain Center about being a police officer.

6/24/23 – Sergeant Posluszny and Corporal Chaffee spoke to Lake Naomi camp employees about active shooters.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Edward Tutrone from Tobyhanna Township asked the Board if they have a Code of Conduct policy for the Commission Members. The Chief stated he knows a Code of Conduct policy was worked on but the municipalities would not agree to it. Mr. Tutrone related the reason he was asking was due to an incident he had with Commissioner Carbone.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was a break for an Executive Session on personnel. The Executive Session started at 7:53 p.m. and ended at 8:14 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion:**

Fran DePiano made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by William Weimer. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



William Weimer  
Pocono Mountain Regional Police  
Commission Treasurer