PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2019  
6:30 P.M.  
MIDDLETOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT  
(COMMUNITY ROOM)

1. Chairman Robert Santangelo Calls Meeting to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT:  Councilman Robert Santangelo, Chairman  
Councilwoman Mary Bartolotta  
Councilman Carl Chisem  
Councilwoman Deborah Kleckowski  
Councilman Philip Pessina

STAFF PRESENT:  Michael Timbro  – Deputy Chief of Police  
Capt. John Lozefski – Administrative Commander

STAFF ABSENT:  William McKenna  – Chief of Police

2. Approval of Minutes – January 22, 2019

(Correction: Councilman Philip Pessina noted that on the February 25, 2019 Public Safety Commission [PSC] Agenda, it incorrectly had the day as Tuesday instead of Monday. Deputy Chief Michael Timbro stated, “So noted.”)

Councilman Pessina moved for approval of the PSC Minutes for January 22, 2019; Seconded by Councilwoman Deborah Kleckowski. There being no further discussion or objection, Motion approved.

3. Public Hearing – Matters on the Agenda Only  
None

4. Correspondence  
None

5. Monthly Reports

Deputy Chief Timbro advised that with respect to the Overtime Lines, they still do not anticipate a need for an appropriation this year; that it looks like they’re going to stay within the budget. He reiterated that Private Duty (road jobs) has been in the negative; that this occurs every year; that by the end of the year the difference is made up; and that this is a money-maker for the City.

6. Old Business

a. Animal Shelter

Chairman Santangelo said they haven’t had a meeting, but should have one soon. Captain John Lozefski stated that they looked at the plans that were initially sent them; and that they sent them back with some critiques on them; and that they were going to draw something else and come back, but he hasn’t heard anything yet. A brief discussion followed.
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7. New Business
The topic of the food pantry came up (which had been discussed at the last PSC Meeting), Deputy Chief Timbro advised that to the best of his knowledge, they haven’t received any complaints of E-mails. Chairman Santangelo said that parking is limited there; that there are cars double-parking on High Street; that there’s a big parking lot on the other side of the food pantry, off of Oak Street, and that’s where they should be parking. It was agreed that this is traffic concern. After a brief discussion, Deputy Chief said he would check into the parking/traffic issue. Councilwoman Kleckowski said the Health Department was supposed to check into it because of the food pantry; but the meeting was cancelled due to a snowstorm.

Councilman Pessina asked if the Police Department had submitted a dollar amount associated with their coverage of the LBGTQ (Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, and Transgendered) Parade. Deputy Chief Timbro said that Christopher Smidick (Assistant General Counsel) is organizing the event; that Sergeant Douglas Clark believes it will be in the $9,000.00 range, maybe a little over, for Police Services – between providing coverage for the Parade as well as the after events. When asked how many events would take place, Councilman Pessina said that there would be one at South Green and Harbor Park, with the possibility of the Lady Katherine (Cruises), but that was still in negotiations. Deputy Chief Timbro advised that he doesn’t have the exact figure; that this is an approximate, obviously based on what they’re anticipating; adding that if they end up anticipating more as it gets closer to the event, the amount will increase.

Councilwoman Bartolotta advised that the Council had a request $75,000.00 with no back-up to it, and that’s why they’re trying to figure it out. A brief discussion followed regarding Special Events.

8. Public Hearing Reopened – Other Matters

9. Meeting Adjourned...
Councilman Pessina made a Motion to adjourn; Seconded by Councilman Chisem. There being no further discussion or objection, Motion approved.

Next Public Safety Commission Meeting: Monday, March 18, 2019, 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]

Rosa B. Perichi
Recording Secretary