

Beaver Valley Regional Police Department

Regular Meeting Minutes

803 First Avenue, Conway, PA 15027

Thursday, March 12th, 2026, at 6:00 PM

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Scott Levenson, Chairman of Beaver Valley Regional Police Department Commission, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

The following members of the commission were present:

Baden: Andy Gall, Becky Gallagher

Conway: Scott Levenson, Debbie Giska-Rose

Freedom: Kim Farrow

Rochester Twp: Paul Abbott

Also Present: Chief Michael Priolo, Tori Forster (Admin Assistant), David Mitchell (solicitor), Officer Dunmyer, Ken Newmyer (Wells Fargo)

Public Comment

No Public Comment

Minutes

Commission reviewed the regular meeting minutes from 2.12.2026

MOTION was made by Debbie Giska-Rose, seconded by Kim Farrow, carried unanimously to approve the regular meeting minutes from 2.12.2026 as presented.

Administrative Assistant's Report

Ken Newmyer: Ken from Wells Fargo met with the commission to go over what happens now that all the pension funds are moved over to Principal. They start with 65% exposure and will make changes as necessary. Will meet again in July at the half year mark and at the end of the year to make sure everything is at it should be. Ken Newmyer will also meet with the Officer's Association for a Q/A with the officers to answer any questions they may have.

No Motion Needed

Monthly Reports:

List of bills: Commission reviewed the list of bills from 2.12.2026 to 3.11.2026 and discussed a few of the bills on the list and asked if we will receive a refund for a previous purchase made.

MOTION was made by Kim Farrow, seconded by Paul Abbott to approve the list of bills from 2.12.2026 to 3.11.2026, carried unanimously.

Budget: Commission Reviewed the 2026 Budget Report.

Treasurer's Report: Commission reviewed the Treasurer Report attached to the agenda packet. Available bank account balances as of February 28th, 2026: General Fund \$440,011.61, Payroll \$20,332.64, Misc/Debit \$1,484.77, Drug Fund \$16,624.77, K9 Fund \$2,255.53, Grant Money \$107,000.00

Pension: Report attached to the agenda packet, while meeting with Ken from Wells Fargo earlier in the meeting, he explained what the report meant and answered any questions the commission had in it.

FNB Bank Accounts: Commission discussed who is listed on the bank accounts and decided to leave them as is instead of changing them yearly.

No Motion Needed

K0 501c3 Bank Account: Commission discussed opening a new account to have the same name as the 501c3 and eventually move the funds over to the new account.

MOTION made by Kim Farrow and seconded by Debbie Giska-Rose to open a 501c3 bank account to be managed by the K9 board members, carried unanimously.

Chief's Report

Monthly Call Report (+ YTD):

See website: <https://bvrpd-pa.gov/monthly-crime-statistics>

408 calls in February

Freedom Borough approved the BVRPD using their internet for License Plate Readers in Freedom.

K9 Summary: Commission reviewed the report.

Ballistic Vests: Officers need 4-5 Ballistic Vests, Rochester Twp still has an open grant to cover part of the costs of them, it is open till June. They would need to purchase them using the grant and the BVRPD would reimburse them.

MOTION made by Kim Farrow and seconded by Debbie Giska-Rose to purchase the ballistic vests needed, not to exceed 2k per vest, carried unanimously.

Discussion took place about ESU & AG: Commission discussed Pros & Cons of the Officers being on ESU & AG.

Follow- Up- Towing Agreements: Commission reviewed agreement and asked the Solicitor to review and make necessary changes and will review at the next meeting. This agreement is only for when the BVRPD is having a vehicle towed outside of a crash, there would be a set price between all towing companies that agree.

Solicitor's Report

FASD update + Discussion—Short term intergovernmental agreement: Discussion took place amongst the commission on the meetings that have taken place with the district and if we will help them find a grant to cover SRO costs. The Chief will put together how many calls there were to the school last year for the next meeting.

Old Business

Fuel system: Still waiting for work to be completed.

Pulaski Update: Pulaski voted to rescind proposal to BVRPD and signed on for another five years with New Brighton.

AASD: No update

Discussion/ review of proposed GF Annual Surplus Policy: Policy reviewed by Commission.

MOTION made by Paul Abbott to accept the new Annual Surplus Policy and seconded by Kim Farrow, carried out unanimously.

Grants

Station renovation-have grant and looking into a second grant.

Norfolk Southern- moving forward

New Officer: Discussion took place on hiring a new officer, there are 28 open shifts next month. Two officers are injured. The commission has been talking about going to 19 Officers for some time. There is some concern that this is not necessary because the two Officer's that are out will be back eventually and we will be fully staffed.

MOTION made to hire new officer made by Paul Abbott and seconded by Kim Farrow, this vote was 5 to 1 with Debbie Giska-Rose voting no.

MOTION was made by Kim Farrow to hire Officer Cody O'Sche with a start date of April 6th, 2026, and seconded by Debbie Giska-Rose, carried unanimously.

Correspondence

No Correspondence

New Business

State of emergency policy: Motion was tabled until next meeting.

Discussion took place about having a policy in place in case there is another state of emergency declared, and the Chief is off that day he would be required to come in and get paid time and a half. Chief's contract needs to be amended; Dave will write something up for the next meeting.

Baden Substation: Andy and Mike went to the Baden Substation; it is not being used by Officer's. Baden council wants to use the space for their own purposes. BVRPD only needs the garage and can remove police related items out of space. BVRPD would also like the lockers that are in there, Baden would want to get a quote to have the flooring replaced under the lockers. Andy will talk to the Baden Council and discuss it again with the commission at the next meeting.

No motion necessary

Executive Session

No Executive Session Needed

Personnel

Adjournment

MOTION made to end the meeting at 9:25pm was made by Debbie Giska-Rose and seconded by Becky Gallagher, carried unanimously.

Minutes prepared by:

Tori Forster, Administrative Assistant

Michael Priolo, Chief of Police – Scott Levenson, Commission Chairman