
Departments continue to improve

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The Borough of Freemansburg Council and Police Department accepted another gift from Northampton County District Attorney John Morganelli April 15, much like the donation last year that allowed the purchase of bicycles for low-speed patrols.

This time Morganelli granted \$2,600 from Drug Taskforce forfeitures that the department will spend

on pistol-mounted flashlights and new holsters.

Later, at a resident's request, Borough Manager Judith Danko reread the minutes from an executive session last month, during which council voted to suspend an officer for five days for neglecting to report for duty.

Danko and Council President said later the incident in no way compromised bor-

ough police protection on the day in question - Feb. 12 - but that Police Chief Todd Pantuso is determined to draw a hard line on unit discipline.

Meanwhile, the borough's equally-determined Volunteer Fire Dept. No. 1 is fulfilling its now multitudinous bureaucratic obligations while courting new members and preparing for a May 31 open house event for the

community. More information may be coming in a borough newsletter.

Firefighter Mike Micolochick Jr. also asked council's permission to move a weatherproofed vending machine out the building so kids playing near borough hall and pedestrians can purchase beverages now that the weather is improving.

Council approved the move unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. May 6 at 600 Monroe St.