

BOROUGH OF RED BANK
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
RESOLUTION NO. 17-153

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE-TIME HONORARIUM PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500.00, IN LIEU OF TUITION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS, TO PATROLMAN GARRETT FALCO AND DETECTIVE JAMES DEPONTE FOR THEIR SUCCESSFULLY OBTAINING HIGHER EDUCATION DEGREES

Councilman Whelan offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Borough of Red Bank and P.B.A. Local 39 calls for the reimbursement of tuition and other related expenses for continuing education undertaken by the police officers serving the Borough of Red Bank; and

WHEREAS, Patrolman Garrett Falco expressed to his superior officers in the Borough Police Department that he was seeking to pursue a Master's Degree; and

WHEREAS, Detective James DePonte expressed to his superior officers in the Borough Police Department that he was seeking to pursue a Bachelor's Degree; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Red Bank finds that the obtaining of high education degrees by officers of the Borough Police Department is in the best interests of the Borough and its Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Patrolman Garrett Falco and Detective James DePonte both agreed to accept one-time honorarium payments of \$2,500.00 each, upon the successful completion of their higher education studies in lieu of seeking reimbursement of tuition and related expenses from the Borough during the course of their studies; and

WHEREAS, such arrangement with the Patrolman Garrett Falco and Detective James DePonte was financially advantageous to the Borough and its resident-taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of the Red Bank Police Department has certified to the Governing Body of the Borough of Red Bank that Patrolman Garrett Falco has successfully completed his course of study and obtained a Master's Degree; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of the Red Bank Police Department has certified to the Governing Body of the Borough of Red Bank that Detective James DePonte has successfully completed his course of study and obtained a Bachelor's Degree;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Red Bank does hereby congratulate Patrolman Garrett Falco and Detective James DePonte on their educational achievements and does hereby authorize payment in the amount of \$2,500.00 to each of the police officers as a one-time honorarium; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Administrator, Chief of Police, Patrolman Garrett Falco, and Detective James DePonte.

Seconded by Councilman Zipprich and adopted on roll call by the following vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Councilman Yngstrom	(x)	()	()	()
Councilman Zipprich	(x)	()	()	()
Councilwoman Horgan	(x)	()	()	()
Councilwoman Schwabenbauer	(x)	()	()	()
Councilman Taylor	(x)	()	()	()
Councilman Whelan	(x)	()	()	()

Dated: June 28, 2017