

MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
June 18, 2020

Media Borough Council met via Zoom and streaming live on YouTube on the above date with the following officials present: Mayor McMahan, President Hall, Vice-President A. Johnson, Councilmen Boyer, Robinson and Williamson, Councilwomen Dixon and L. Johnson. Also present were Manager Smith and Solicitor Scott.

President Hall called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

President Hall made a motion to approve the May 21, 2020 Council meeting minutes. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hall mentioned in an effort to observe social distancing and while we remain in the yellow phase this meeting is being held remotely and streaming live via YouTube. President Hall mentioned that public comment will take place at the end of the meeting and can be made via email (comments@mediaborough.com) and/or phone (610-566-5210 x243). Council will be advised of any comments at the end of the meeting. President Hall mentioned that he anticipates some comments concerning an incident with a Media Police Department officer's social media comments. Borough Council has taken this incident seriously and has authorized a disciplinary investigation which will be completed soon, once the investigation is complete Council will decide upon the appropriate disciplinary action.

President Hall made a motion to approve Resolution #2020-33 for an inter-municipal transfer of a liquor license for 11-13 W. State Street. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to approve Resolution #2020-34 for the submission of a PA DCNR grant application for enhancements to the Plum Street Mall. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to accept a bid from MOR Construction in the amount of \$244,366.21 for the 2020 road resurfacing program. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to ratify the approval to close State Street on Sundays and Wednesdays for outdoor dining and retail sales. Councilman Williamson seconded the motion. The motion passed 6 -1, with Councilman Robinson casting the dissenting vote.

President Hall made a motion to accept the resignation of Mike Kinsley from the Planning Commission. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to approve payment of the bills for May as follows:

General Fund	\$ 556,147.47
Recreation Fund	1,021.37
Liquid Fuels Fund	0.00
Capital Fund	<u>245,266.39</u>
Total	\$ 802,436.23

Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

President Hall announced that Public Works Director, Ralph DeRosa will be retiring after 47 years.

President Hall announced that Borough Manager Jeff Smith will be leaving his position and moving out of state.

President Hall asked Mrs. Repino to provide the public comment that was received via email and/or phone. Mrs. Repino mentioned the comments are as follows:

Comments thanking Council for declining the request of Sunoco Pipeline for a temporary easement and returning the check to Sunoco:

Terry Rumsey – W. 4th Street on behalf of Keep Media Green
Chris Dietrick – South Avenue
Fred Shalmian – Gayley Street
Linda Healy – W. 2nd Street
James Ziegelhoffer and Jeanne Wordley – W. 3rd Street
Sari Steuber on behalf of TTM
Jennifer Nichols – Nether Providence
Rosemary Shearer – Upper Providence
Joann Williams – Judith Lane, Middletown
Eric Friedman – Thornbury Township
Abby Wyser – N. Jackson Street
Roserita Fratoni – no address
Ron Joines – no address
Emily Petrucci – no address
Jane Sleutaris – no address

Comments were received relating to a police personnel matter:

Ellen Morfei – 24 Vet Square
Gloria Shepard – W. Front Street
Jennifer Davis – W. State Street

No addresses were provided for the following:

San Holo

Audrey Amaro

Megan Reilly Keeler

Melissa Small

Barbara Walsh

James Peters

Tamara Nolan Megine

Jennifer Walsh

Aubrey Reinmiller

Michele West

Andrea Hunt

Lisa Gelman

Sara Tomaszewski

Marion Yaglinski

Skip Shuda

Kate Karasel

Kelly & Aimee Yiadom

Sara McKay

Christopher Shelton

Debbie Portone

Lucy Jimenez

John Randolph

Copies of all emailed comments were provided to Council and are attached to these official minutes.

Michael Straw of W. Jefferson Street thank Council for allowing Pride flags to be flown at two locations in the Borough in celebration of Media Pride Week.

Walt Batog – N. Olive Street – requested traffic calming devices be installed on his street

Councilman Robinson made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting at 7:57 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeffrey A. Smith

Borough Manager/Secretary

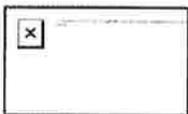
Karen Repino

From: Ellen Morfei [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 12:45 PM
To: comments
Subject: Public Comments for Council Meeting this evening

Dear Media Borough Council Members,

I reside at 925 Second Avenue in Upper Providence and operate my business Progressive Conflict Solutions from 45 Veterans Sq in Media Borough. I write to you today to implore you to take timely and appropriate action for the abuse of power exercised by Media Borough Police Sargent Skippy Carroll. Sargent Carroll has abused his position as a borough law enforcement officer and peacekeeper by intimidating local businesses, has violated the right of the public to free speech, and conflated support of the Black Lives Matter movement as an attack on police. These are gross violations of his oath as an officer as well as dangerous belief systems which have demonstrably clouded his ability to do his job. I respect that Media government is conducting a thorough investigation before taking formal action, but given the preponderance of publicly available evidence, I expect the Borough to relieve Sgt Carroll of his job.

Best Regards,
Ellen Morfei



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Karen Repino

From: Megan Reilly Keeler [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:01 PM
To: comments
Subject: Comment for tonight's Council Meeting

Hello,

I am a small business owner in Media and am writing to express my concern and ask that action be taken regarding the recent egregious and threatening behavior of Media Borough Police Sgt Skippy Carroll. Sgt. Carroll made it clear that he views his position of privilege as one in which a business owner with different views is a threat that needs to be "destroyed." This conduct is unacceptable and as a business owner I find it worrisome to say the least. Media is no place for this behavior, let alone by a Police Sgt. Please show all who are concerned that you agree and fire Mr. Carroll. His non-apology was clearly intended to placate the public and obviously insincere.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Megan Reilly Keeler

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Megan Reilly Keeler, M.Ed

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Don't let the perfect be the enemy of the good. Voltaire

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Karen Repino

From: San Holo <american4peacenow@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:01 PM
To: comments
Subject: Skippy Carroll

Members of Media Borough Council — it is a sad day when our own law enforcement officers step across the line into intimidation. Words, particularly made by those in authority with the apparent backing of an entire police patrol, have dire consequences. When those in power seek to divide through intimidation rather than seek to understand, then we need new leadership to take its place. The "us vs them" mentality that Mr Carroll exhibited decries an already existing consensus within our local police force. This telling overstep should not go unpunished or it will fester in the police community for decades. Such rogue "opinions" have already eroded the trust that we have in those who are sworn to protect us – all of us, even businesses that do not support their particular ideology. After-the-fact, public apologies and timid reprimands will not suffice.

We are writing this email with great reservations for fear of reprisal or future intimidation by the police themselves. As a matter of public record, we assume that someone in the police force will have access to this email, our names and addresses, and could use this matter as vigilante judgement against us even though we are model long-standing citizens. If the police already feel this way, then it is not a stretch to suspect that the majority of concerned residents will stay silent on this matter for the same reason. In light of this new cloud of intimidation, you should consider with great care the few dissenting emails you receive on this matter as they represent many voices in our community who are not as forthcoming.

We rely on Borough Council to find the best path forward for our collective community safety. Thank you for your time and consideration,

Media Borough Residents

<names and addresses redacted for fear of intimidation>

Karen Repino

From: Audrey Amaro <mamaowlphotography@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 1:26 PM
To: comments
Subject: Please remove Skippy Carroll

I am resident of Media and was repulsed by the recent social media posts made by Sergeant Skippy Carroll. This viewpoint of his, his disdain for anyone who speaks ill of police while police all over our country have repeatedly participated in murder due to their racism, shows his true heart on this issue- And his motives, are not ones that any council should back or employ. Remove him. Don't be a part of the broken system that needs dismantling. Media Borough, do what's right here. Don't participate in the belief that officers like Skippy " didn't mean what he said" or that he is sorry. He has a history choosing racism. Removal of the rot is the first step in healing- Don't look the other way on this.

Thank you
Audrey Amaro

Karen Repino

From: Liss Small [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:16 PM
To: comments
Subject: public comment re: misconduct by Sgt. Carroll

I join with others calling for Sgt. Carroll's immediate termination from the Media Borough Police Department. Sgt. Carroll used the power of his office to attempt to bully and intimidate business owners into silence. Do not let this get minimized into just a misunderstanding between two citizens - Skippy Carroll and sandwich shop owner. Sgt. Carroll used his personal, public social media as well as the FOP page to send a message to anyone and everyone that read it. And the message was for small business owners to be aware that if we speak out against police brutality or excessive use of force, or perhaps even simply post a "Black Lives Matter" sign in our window, he and his friends will "destroy" our businesses. I am a lifelong resident of Media and operate a small business here in the borough as well. I have zero trust in Sgt. Carroll's professional integrity and having someone who demonstrates such biased and extortionist behavior in our police department makes me feel decidedly unsafe, both at home and at my business.

Thank you,
Melissa Small

Karen Repino

From: Barbara Walsh [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:17 PM
To: comments
Subject: Skippy Carroll

In regards to Skippy Carrols public threats against business owners:

Officer Carroll should no longer be in a position of great power, nor training those upon whom power will be bestowed. He has exhibited judgement that is not only illegal but he has lost trust in the very community he is supposed to serve and protect. If he is allowed to remain, he poses a threat to our community member's well being and safety.

Sincerely,
Barbara Walsh

Karen Repino

From: James Peters [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:31 PM
To: comments
Subject: Officer Robert "Skippy" Carroll

My wife and I are residents of Media Borough; we own our home and pay taxes here. My wife also owns a small business in the borough and manages another small business in a closely neighboring community within Delaware County. We find the recent social media comments by Officer Robert "Skippy" Carroll to be repugnant and completely contradictory to the ideals upon which this country was founded. It is absolutely imperative that our public officials be good stewards of those ideals. While his comments were appalling, the notion that these were expressed as hostile intentions by someone whom we, as taxpayers, pay to protect us, our property and our freedoms is in no way acceptable. It is clear that Mr. Carroll's hatred is a malignant presence within our community, one that makes us feel unsafe in our homes, in our places of work; it seeks to deny our freedom of expression - whether it be the placement of a Black Lives Matter sign on our property or place of business, attending a rally or simply speaking publicly. While we are pleased that Mr. Carroll has made public expressions of remorse, we do not believe that he has earned the right to be in a position of power in this community. This is not the person whom we would choose to employ to safeguard our freedom. We urge that his employment be terminated.

Actions speak louder than words. Trust must be earned. Let Mr. Carroll demonstrate that he can be a good neighbor to all the people of the community, regardless of their experiences and viewpoint. Perhaps at that point he may be considered for employment in some capacity.

Sincerely,

James C. Peters

Tamara Nolan Mengine

Karen Repino

From: jenniferwalsh001 [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:46 PM
To: comments
Subject: Sergeant Skippy

Good Afternoon,

Hoping you will address and handle the situation regarding Sergeant Skippy and the comments he made regarding destroying businesses. He should be released from his position . He has made other well documented remarks in the past and the behavior is unacceptable. Change needs to happen regarding police and removing him is a much needed first step toward progress.

Thank you for your time

Jenn

[REDACTED]

Karen Repino

From: Aubrey Reinmiller [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:57 PM
To: comments
Subject: Re: upcoming meeting

Hello,

I emailed the council already but would like to remind the council that I am very concerned about the comments and behavior of Skippy Carrol. I do not believe he is remorseful or even understands the depth of hurt his comments have on the community. In a time when many of our community members are less than trustful of the police, he proceeded to threaten local community members and business. The community should see the police as support and on our side, not a threat. I believe this needs to be taken very seriously. This type of behavior and comments should be addressed to stop this from happening. And our police force needs to be held accountable and at a very high standard. There should be no tolerance of this behavior.

Thank you,
Aubrey Reinmiller

Karen Repino

From: michelle west [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:57 PM
To: comments
Subject: Skippy Carroll

Greetings Councilmembers,

Thank you for taking public comments ahead of tonight's meeting. My husband and I live in the borough and have a small business here. I want to share with you how it felt for me to read Sergeant Carroll's Facebook posts threatening retaliation against my business if I chose to protest police violence and support Black Lives Matter. First, I felt afraid. We have been very vocal in our support of BLM and have taken our children to protests against police brutality, and I felt that he was addressing us very pointedly. Although I acknowledge that taking a stand might involve personal and professional risk, my business is very vulnerable in this strange economy. The fact that an officer of the law was the one making the threat was terrifying, both because of the menacing tone and because of the very real influence he wields here in Media. Second, I felt angry. How could someone in his position use his authority to intimidate the citizens and the rights he is sworn to protect? How could I feel safe knowing that my business is patrolled by a man who pledged to destroy it? I recognize that there was a particular business that Sergeant Carroll was attempting to destroy, but his threat was clearly intended for ANY business owner who spoke against police brutality. I also recognize that the business owner in question chose to accept the apology in a public way. Mr. Wolf, however, is not authorized to accept an apology on my behalf. Nor is District Attorney Stollsteimer.

I am writing to ask you to terminate Sergeant Carroll from the Media Police Department. As a business owner I will not feel safe exercising my Constitutional rights until he is gone. I also feel that his termination is the only way to send a strong message to the rest of his department and the FOP in Delaware County that police intimidation will not be tolerated. My father was a Philadelphia police officer for 21 years, and I believe in good police and good police work. To earn the title "good police," officers must call out those in their ranks who would abuse their power and shirk their responsibility to protect all citizens equally.

Thank you,
Michelle West

Karen Repino

From: Andrea Hunt [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:51 PM
To: comments
Subject: Comment for tonight's Council meeting

Dear Media Borough Council,

I wrote to you earlier this month upon learning about Officer Robert "Skippy" Carroll's social media posts targeting business owners who speak out against police. I understand that you are accepting public comment tonight on this topic in advance of tonight's meeting, so I am writing to reiterate the main concerns I continue to have about this officer remaining on the force in Media Borough or anywhere.

I continue to see arguments in defense of Officer Carroll's actions saying, "It was just a social media post, he didn't mean anything by it." It boggles my mind that this supposedly excuses the officer's several social media posts demonstrating very poor judgement and lack of self-awareness. How would Officer Carroll respond in-the-moment to a remark that he deems offensive while walking around town, if his *thoughtful* responses on social media were to make vaguely threatening posts, while also invoking the might of the entire Delaware County F.O.P.? This is the officer in charge of training other officers about personal bias? As I said in my initial email, I should not need to know Officer Carroll personally to interpret the meaning of these posts, to understand that he didn't mean any real harm to anyone. By wearing the uniform of our police force, he takes on powers and authority no one else but other police have. We know there are officers everywhere who abuse their powers, who are corrupt, and who hurt others. The uniform does not distinguish who is a "good" or "bad" cop--so it's only reasonable to assume the worst about every officer I encounter, for my own and others' safety.

Authority comes from the people, not from the state. I do not want to be threatened with violence to comply with the law. I want the law to be responsive to the needs of all its citizens, and an agent of help for victims of crime. Officer Carroll's actions reinforce the concept that violence or threats will keep the populace in line. I am done with this concept of policing. It is high time that we, as a nation, revisit policing and what our communities need. Removing Officer Carroll from the Borough force does not fix the inherent biases against Black people and other people of color in our society, or the authoritarian mentality in police culture. But doing so is a necessary first step to re-visioning our police to ensure that their work is in partnership with Media residents, their authority truly invested "by the people."

Officer Carroll certainly has a right to due process and, should he be removed, I expect he will pursue every path possible to retain his position. But his actions and non-apologies for them have eroded my trust in him as an officer in our force. The meaning of the saying of "a few bad apples..." is that *one* bad apple spoils the entire barrel. Keeping Officer Carroll on this or any other police force will contribute to the continued spoiling of our police. We must have accountability for all officers, and I ask Media Borough Council to not only remove Officer Carroll from his post, but to pursue all avenues to keep him off the force. I also demand a review of all disciplinary actions and procedures, which must include input from key stakeholders such as the Delaware County Black Caucus and the Delaware County NAACP. We must have a solid, transparent process in place to ensure that we can trust and respect every officer on our force.

Media is *Everybody's* Hometown. As President Brian Hall and Mayor McMahon noted at the NAACP rally in Media on June 6, we need to work to live up to that ideal. I believe that it is absolutely possible to achieve. And I believe you have the support of the people of Media to ensure the police earn our trust again.

Sincerely,

Andrea Hunt
126 E 6th St.
Media, PA

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Andrea McGraw Hunt, PhD, MT-BC

Karen Repino

From: Judy Fowler [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 3:57 PM
To: comments
Cc: Brian Hall
Subject: Affordable Housing Group Public Comments on Policing
Attachments: Policing bullet points.docx

Email to: comments@mediaborough.com

June 18, 2020

Dear Borough Council,

We are the Affordable Housing Group of Media and are working on this aspect of racial justice and equality, but we see an immediate need to speak out on current events that have magnified the urgency of addressing police practices.

- The Borough partner with pertinent organizations like Media Fellowship House and NAACP to form a Citizens Council to implement best practices to ensure a safe and equitable community and opportunities for black and brown people.
- The Borough establish a Citizens' Police Department Oversight Committee that will include Borough residents and will review the Police union contract and yearly budget.
- Police adopt and actively practice the campaign outlined in [#8CantWait](#)
- Police partner with mental health organizations, addiction organizations, other local and County support services to receive training and call upon their services to deescalate situations and provide the help people may need during a police encounter.
- A percentage of the police budget be rededicated to support services.
- Police go through the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association certification process every 3 years. See: <https://www.pachiefs.org/pcpa-accreditation-program>.
- The Mayor and Borough Council commit to the Obama Foundation's Pledge to a call for action (<https://www.obama.org/mayor-pledge/>)

Judy Fowler
Jeanne Wordley
Addie Ciannella
Karen Taussig-Lux

Karen Repino

From: Skip Shuda [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 4:16 PM
To: comments
Subject: Police Matters

Dear Borough Council -

Please enter the following statement into the record for tonight's meeting:

As a resident of the borough, I wanted to weigh in on the issue regarding Sgt Skippy Carroll and the broader question of criminal justice and police reform currently sweeping our country.

I am hoping that Media Borough is ready and willing to engage in this important conversation about how we reform our policing and criminal justice administration to provide a more equitable, accountable and community-centered police department. I believe all police departments should now be reviewing their use of force policies, mandating body cameras, providing anti-bias and de-escalation training and providing full transparency and oversight by civilian authorities.

I personally believe that our police should be "peace officers" and not "law enforcement officers". Focusing on enforcing laws creates incentives for quotas and poor decision making by police.

I believe that re-focusing our police on keeping our community safe and healthy will lead to the best outcomes for our community.

As for Sgt Carroll's social media comments and threats against local business owners, this appears to clearly represent a member of our force expressing his true beliefs of our police force as an untouchable and all-powerful entity that should not be questioned. This kind of belief lies at the heart of our required reforms. I find his comments disappointing and intimidating. At the same time, I believe true healing in our communities across the US requires compassion and opportunity to make amends when we learn to do better. I do not know Sgt Carroll's previous record of service or his heart and, therefore, am not in a position to call for his resignation based on this incident alone.

I do believe, however, that his social media statements should be clearly condemned by the Borough and Police Department and the Sgt should, at a minimum, be part of the re-training of our force to adopt a stance as accountable and community-centric servants of our borough.

thank you -

Skip Shuda
[REDACTED]

Karen Repino

From: Katie Karasek [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 4:26 PM
To: comments
Subject: Borough Council Meeting Comment

Hello,

As a resident of Media, I am glad that the borough is treating this case with the attention it deserves. Sgt. Carroll should be swiftly removed from his position without pension. He is not an example of what protecting and serving the community looks like. Additionally, his removal from the position and termination of his pension would set an example to Media and all neighboring communities in Delaware County. Police officers and residents will see that police in our region recognize a purpose for meaningful and thoughtful police reform.

It is concerning to me that the Media Borough Police Chief, Martin Wusinich, describes the Sgt. Carroll's threatening commentary as "inconvenient timing" and unrelated to the race issues. I think his threatening remarks are extremely timely and indicate that we have so much more work to do. The fact that a small business was not supportive of the police demonstrates a cry for change. It demonstrates that so many people in the community are aching for police reform to ensure that all community members can feel safe. In addition to Sgt. Carroll's termination, an investigation into all of Media's police officers needs to take place so we can be proactive, not reactive.

Mayor McMahon and Media Borough Council, you have the opportunity to take action and demonstrate that Media truly is "Everybody's Hometown". Terminate Sgt Carroll without pension and show that you do stand with the people of Media. Failure to do so will demonstrate that this town is not for everybody.

I have faith in you as you take these first big steps for our community.

With appreciation,
Katie Karasek
[REDACTED]

Karen Repino

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 4:43 PM
To: comments
Subject: Concerning Robert "Skippy" Carroll

Dear Media Borough Council,

I am a resident of Delaware County who is concerned about the recent events regarding Robert "Skippy" Carroll, whom I understand is a police officer (Sgt) with the Borough. I have seen the posts that Sgt Carroll made, both on the official social media channels of the Fraternal Order of Police, and on his personal webpage, threatening business owners with retribution for any comments against the police. I am also aware, and it is public record, that Sgt Carroll complained about the distribution of Martin Luther King t-shirts by the Rose Tree Media School District in 2018.

Through these actions, Sgt Carroll has compromised the effectiveness of the Media Borough Police Department in the safe, efficient, and effective accomplishment of its mission. I ask that, should the Council have the opportunity, that they remove Sgt Carroll from his duties as a Media Borough Police Officer.

Thank you,
Christopher Shelton
Haverford Township, Delaware County

Karen Repino

From: Sarah McKay <sarahmckayphoto@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 5:08 PM
To: comments
Subject: Message for Public Comment at tonight's mtg 06.18.20

To Council and Mayor McMahon,

Sargent Skippy Carroll used his position for blatant public intimidation. His facebook comments that the FOP will destroy any local business (therefore any resident) that speak out against the police are at the root of our country's toxic police culture. At the very least this toxic culture can silence people through intimidation, at its worst it can be lethal. As a small business owner I no longer feel safe and protected here. As a resident to know that someone as high up as Sargent Carroll embodies these feelings, I no longer feel safe here. Anything less then firing him is unacceptable. Anything less then firing him will not make me and countless others feel safe. And to do anything less then fire him is to be 100% complicit to this toxic system.

To say that your hands are tied, that you have no power to truly get rid of him is to be complicit. No person can go unchecked. If you, as the council and the Mayor, do not have the power to fire him, who is holding the power in our county? Who are you answering to? While our county is overwhelmingly white, life could go on as normal for most if Sargent Carroll is here or Sargent Carroll is not. But what message does that send to our black and brown residents? Who are you telling them you are willing to protect? Sargent Carroll or them? Sargent Carroll or our hard working small business owners he is threatening?

People make mistakes. There are still repercussions for mistakes. This was not a mistake. His slip up was not one of stress and emotions. He knew what he was doing and he has done it before. There were over 20 some 1 star reviews on the business he was attacking during the very same 24 hours he posted threats. Coincidence, I think not. Many of them have since been deleted, but I have screen shots of them all. These acts are calculated and dangerous. It shows he is unfit for the power he wields. It shows he ego takes precedence over the people he has been sworn to protect. To not fire him is to say that you are ok with what happened. Are you ok with the way he has behaved? Are you going to protect him and this toxic police culture here in our beautiful town?

Sarah McKay, Resident and Business owner in Upper Providence

I will provide my exact address upon request, I do not want it read aloud on your youtube mtg

Sarah McKay

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Karen Repino

From: Kelly & Aimee Viadom & Rubin <helpingfamiliesinneed2020@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 5:32 PM
To: comments
Subject: Sgt. Carroll

Dear Media Borough Council,

I am an 8 year resident of Media, and I am appalled by the threatening comments, "Try us. We will destroy you," among many others, made by Sergeant Skippy Carroll. When he took the oath to protect and serve, he made the decision to promote and ensure the safety of this community. What does it say about leaders of law enforcement, in charge of funding for anti-bias training, when they spew this aggressive language? This is also not the first time, Mr. Skippy has been caught doing this.

Can you please reaffirm our trust in the borough by firing the Sergeant and showing us that there is a no tolerance policy for this behavior. There honestly is no other way to spin this. Not a lack of sleep, poor judgement or anything else. Sergeant Carroll showed his true colors at a time when racism, race relations, and protests against police brutality are at an all-time high in our country.

Please restore our faith and fire Sergeant Carroll.

Signed,
A Very Concerned Citizen

Karen Repino

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 6:02 PM
To: comments
Subject: Tonights streaming

I support fully Carroll's removal!

The fact that he rose to such an elevated position reflects a deeply disturbing and broken system. Do we reward abusive behavior with promotion? There is no place for racists and bullies in any form of public service, let alone a role to serve and protect.

Thank you,
Debbie Portone

Sent from my iPhone

Karen Repino

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 6:17 PM
To: comments
Subject: Tonight's Meeting

Dear council members,

I am a resident of Media Borough and would like to express my disgust regarding sgt Carroll's Facebook comments. The individual who openly threatens this community can not be trusted to protect us. I request that you release him from this position as I do not feel he is fit and our community is less safe with him as a member of our police force.

Jennifer Davis
401 w state st apt c
Media, PA 19063

Karen Repino

From: Lisa Gelman [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 6:18 PM
To: comments
Subject: Sgt Skippy Carroll and police training

As a media resident, I am not comfortable having Sgt Carroll be in a position where he is protecting and serving our borough and definitely not training other officers. I do not approve of his behaviors or his apology.

Please remove him from his duties.

In addition, I feel a complete overhaul of officer training is necessary so that the officers understand race relations and respect to all persons of color and also deescalation of force in the line of duty.

Speaking out about these issues is not the same as being against the police. Please do not misunderstand my intentions- we all want our borough to be everyone's hometown. I want everyone to feel safe and secure in our town.

Thank you so much,
Lisa Gelman

Karen Repino

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 6:57 PM
To: comments
Subject: Skippy Carroll

Police sgt Skippy Carroll's comments on FB are a disgrace. He is not fit for office and should be removed.

Marion Yaglinski

Karen Repino

From: Lucy Jimenez [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:01 PM
To: comments
Subject: Sgt Carroll

As a Media resident, I would like to see Sgt. Carroll removed from his position immediately.

Thank you,

Lucy Jimenez

Lucy Jimenez
Director Power Pathway Project
[redacted]

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Karen Repino

From: John R. [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:25 PM
To: comments
Subject: Public Comment

Good evening,

In light of the actions of Sgt. Robert "Skippy" Carroll, does the Media Borough Council plan to fire Carroll or continue to allow him to be employed and collect a paycheck?

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From: gloria [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:28 PM
To: comments
Subject: Sgt. Carroll

Hi Media Borough Mayor and Council,

I own and run a small business in the borough (The Imperfect Journey, Mindfulness & Parenting Support on Front and Lemon), and write to urge that you release Skippy Carroll from all borough policing duties.

As a small business owner, I find his attack on Wolf's Sandwich Shop chilling. I hope that you agree with me that each of us must feel free to speak our truth. I am very concerned about police brutality and systemic racism in our country and locally. These issues are reflected in a less violent way in Sergeant Carroll's remarks and actions.

I care about fair borough policing also as a long time resident of Upper Providence just a couple of blocks from the borough, a parent of young adults who are often in the borough, and a person who cares about the health of our community.

A police officer who uses his position to threaten, bully, and hurt one person is a threat to all of us. Please make the wise choice to make our streets safer by releasing him. Please also consider how to shift the police culture to one that will not stand for this behavior from one of their own.

I thank you,
Gloria Shepard
The Imperfect Journey
401 West Front Street
Media



Karen Repino

From: Sara Tomaszewski [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:29 PM
To: comments
Subject: Accountability for Robert Carroll

Dear members of the Media Borough Council,

There is no place for police officers who threaten first amendment rights of communities they are sworn to serve and protect. I live in nearby Springfield, and support the local Media economy through dining and social events, and would be inclined to take my business elsewhere if this is the type of behavior the Council would let slide.

The time for accountability is now. Robert Carroll should not be allowed to serve, or to influence future officers.

I am confident you will do the right thing.
Thank you for your time,
Sara Tomaszewski

Karen Repino

From: Letitia Jeavons <lmjeavons@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 4:54 PM
To: comments
Subject: Media Police

It's Letitia Jeavons I live at 216 North Monroe. My comment is in 2 parts: 1) Could you explain to everyone what Mayor Bob McMahon's role as head of the Police Department allows him to do? As a borough resident who has been to a few council meetings over the years, I was under the impression that Borough Council has a lot of power, including in personnel decisions. Some people who live in Upper Providence claim I'm wrong based on one or two very general words and phrases on the Borough's website. If you could please explain, particularly as it relates to decisions like the employment of Sergeant Carroll who has the power to make the final decision, it would help to have everyone on the same page. 2) Is there going to be any training or in service for the Media Police Department, or even Borough employees in general, regarding the use of social media, like Facebook and Twitter and are there going to be any policies or guidelines around these relatively new platforms going forward? Many private sector employers have policies about what employees can say and do on social media (for instance, hospitals and clinics often restrict or discourage certain kinds of work related posts on social media to protect the privacy and confidentiality of patients and schools sometimes discourage or restrict social media use by teachers and even substitute teachers to prevent inappropriate exchanges between teachers and students, particularly at the K-12 level).

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