

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to legislation signed by Governor Phil Murphy in 2020 and Directive 2021-5 issued by the Attorney General (NJOAG), Chief of Police Keith Brown has issued a General Order within the Pine Beach Police Department mandating the use of Body Worn Cameras (BWCs).

NJOAG Directive 2021-5, and the accompanying Body Worn Camera Policy, requires all uniformed patrol officers be equipped with body worn cameras (“BWCs”), expands the law’s mandate to additional officers, and ensures appropriate use of BWCs.

In accordance with this legislation and the accompanying directive and policy promulgated by the NJOAG, the Pine Beach Police Department is currently employing the use of Body Worn Cameras (BWCs).

BWC recordings are an invaluable asset to law enforcement for evidential purposes. BWCs have demonstrated their value in providing unbiased evidence for the prosecution of criminal, traffic, and other related offenses and to protect civilians and personnel from false claims of misconduct.

Additionally, this equipment will provide valuable instructional material that can be utilized for in-service training programs as outlined in the current policy.

The BWC initiative is designed to continue the process of building public trust by promoting professionalism, enhancing transparency, and ensuring accountability across the law enforcement profession.

