

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSION

MINUTES

January 12, 2009

PRESENT:

Commissioner Russell Walker
Commissioner Bill Karsten
Commissioner Gloria McCluskey
Commissioner James Perrin
Commissioner Kenneth Hill
Commissioner Beverley Peters
Commissioner Doug MacDonald
Mayor Peter Kelly

STAFF:

Mr. Dan English, CAO
Darrell Beaton, RCMP, Acting Superintendent
Chief Frank Beazley, HRP
Allan Way, Executive Officer to the Chief
Deputy Chief Chris MacNeil, HRP
Deputy Chief Tony Burbridge, HRP
Ms. Barbara Coleman, Legislative Assistant
Ms. Barbara St. John, Assistant to Chief, HRP

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:14 p.m. in the Meisner Room, at Halifax Regional Police Department, 1975 Gottingen Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

2. **SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF NEW MEMBER**

Councillor Bill Karsten was affirmed as a member of the Board.

3. **PRESENTATION: Chief's Commendation**

Chief Beazley presented Chief's Commendations to Sergeant Greg Mason. This officer was recognized for his actions in addressing a potentially life-threatening situation for a number of citizens of HRM caught in a burning building this past fall.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - November 10, 2008**

MOVED by Commissioner McCluskey, seconded by Commissioner Perrin, that the minutes of November 10, 2008 be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. **APPROVAL OF NEXT YEARS SCHEDULED DATES**

MOVED By Commissioner McCluskey, seconded by Commissioner Karsten, that the schedule for meeting dates for 2009 be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

6. **APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

MOVED By Commissioner Perrin , seconded by Commissioner McCluskey, that the order of business be approved as presented. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 **Membership: Canadian Association of Police Boards - Memberships fees due January 30, 2008**

Chief Beazley advised these memberships would be

MOVED By Commissioner McCluskey, seconded by Commissioner Perrin that when

one attends outside meetings or conventions that a report be brought back to the Commission. MOTION PUT AND PASSED

Commissioner Peters will bring a report back on the Canadian Association of Police Boards 2008 for the next meeting.

9. REPORTS

9.1 The Mayor's Roundtable on Violence Report

Mr. Allan Way, Executive Officer to the Chief, gave an update on the Mayor's Roundtable with Chief Beazley and other staff answering the questions of the Commission noting that:

- When the report is completed, a hard copy will be distributed;
- The report is 95 to 97% finished;
- Dialogue with the Province has not been completed;

Chief Beazley advised that Dr. Clairmont when writing this report would not have had the information available to him that is available to HRM and HRP today because of the ongoing dialogue. He further advised that strategies that are being put in place over the last period of time have had Dr. Clairmont's report in mind. Dr. Clairmont, at the time of his writing the report would not have what external organizations and initiatives that are available in HRM.

Commissioner MacDonald entered the meeting at 2:11 p.m.

Mr. Way reviewed the external organizations and initiatives. In response to Mayor Kelly's question of costing out these initiatives, Mr. Way responded that it could not be easily done. It would be costly and he is not sure how many of the organizations would allow HRM to have the information.

Chief Beazley explained that the lead for the initiative indicated in today's report may not necessarily be correct. Talks have not taken place with Directors of the various departments to confirm that they would take the lead on any particular initiative.

Mr. Way explained that once the document has been populated with any changes that the Board may have it, it would then go on to SMT and EMT. After their review it would then go to Council. Commissioner Walker advised Mr. Way that the report would need to come to the Commission again before going to Council. Since it is expected to go to Council on January 26, 2009, a tentative date was set for the Commission to meet to review the final document.

9.2 Police Business Plan

Chief Beazley advised that the Police Business Plan would take about an hour . Due to time limitations, the Business Plan was deferred to another date. The Chief reviewed the timelines with the Committee. He inquired if he could have a separate meeting some time in January to review the Business Plan. A tentative date of January 28 was reached pending everyone checking their calendar and a quorum being reached.

10. ADDED ITEMS

11. NEXT REGULAR MEETING - February 9, 2009

12. SET NEXT POLICE RESOURCING MEETING

Staff will need to check to see when the Commissioners as well as Brightwood Golf and Country Club is available and set a date for that time. It will need to be the entire day.

13. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to move In camera at this time was heard.

MOVED BY Commissioner McCluskey, seconded by Commissioner MacDonald to move In Camera at this time. MOTION PUT AND PASSED

The meeting adjourned to In Camera at 2:55 p.m.

Barbara Coleman
Legislative Assistant