

**BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES**

April 6, 2009

PRESENT: Commissioner Russell Walker, Chair
Commissioner Gloria McCluskey, Vice Chair
Commissioner Bill Karsten
Commissioner James Perrin
Commissioner Doug MacDonald
Commissioner Kenneth Hill
Commissioner Earl Gosse

STAFF: Chief Frank Beazley, Halifax Regional Police
Deputy Chief Tony Burbridge, Halifax Regional Police
Deputy Chief Chris McNeil, Halifax Regional Police
Superintendent Darrell Beaton, RCMP
Ms. Shawnee Gregory, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:38 p.m. in the Meisner Room, Halifax Regional Police Headquarters, 1975 Gottingen Street.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - January 26 & February 9, 2009

Amendments:

January 26, 2009 - titles will be changed from Councillor, Mr. and Mrs. to Commissioner

MOVED BY Commissioner McCluskey, seconded by Commissioner Perrin, that the minutes of January 26 & February 9, 2009 be approved as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions:

7.1 Mayor's Roundtable - Update from Superintendent Spicer - Chief Beazley

7.2 Off Duty Employment - Chief Beazley

7.3 2008 Canadian Association of Police Board Conference - Former Commissioner Beverley Peters

MOVED BY Commissioner MacDonald, seconded by Commissioner McCluskey, that the agenda be approved as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - NONE

6. REPORTS

6.1 RCMP Reports

C A copy of the April 2009 RCMP reports were before the Board.

Superintendent Beaton advised that there had been a decrease in calls for service which he attributed to the RCMP's reference around crime reduction.

It was noted that impaired driving was up by 5%.

The Board accepted the RCMP Reports as information.

6.2 HRP Reports

C A copy of the HRP reports for April 2009 were before the Board.

As there were no questions, the Board accepted the HRP Reports as information.

7. ADDED ITEMS

7.1 Mayor's Roundtable - Update from Superintendent Spicer - Chief Beazley

Chief Beazley advised that in the short time since being appointed, Superintendent Spicer had been meeting with City Officials and the media regarding his new role. Superintendent Spicer had also met with Dr. Clairmont and Dr. Murphy to see if they would continue to play a role in this study from an oversight perspective. Additionally, Chief Beazley stated that he and Superintendent Spicer had met with the Cape Breton Regional Police and Edmonton Police Service as well representatives from the province, IWK and Community Development. He stated that Superintendent Spicer's next plan was to put together a workshop which he would be coordinating along with Mr. Allan Waye, Executive Officer, and the Commissioners would be invited to attend. Superintendent Spicer will also be working on a strategic plan which staff would be helping him with after budget deliberations. In closing, Chief Beazley indicated that he was pleased with Superintendent Spicer's first month noting that they had made some outreach to the African Nova Scotian Community and were planning to meet with leaders.

7.2 Off Duty Employment - Chief Beazley

Chief Beazley advised that once this policy was approved there had been 42 requests to participate from a wide range of job opportunities as well as volunteer work.

7.3 2008 Canadian Association of Police Board Conference

C An information package was submitted.

Ms. Beverley Peters, former Commissioner, provided a brief summary of her trip to Toronto to attend the 2008 Canadian Association of Police Board Conference. She stated that the 2009 conference would be taking place in Cape Breton in August.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, May 11, 2009.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Shawnee Gregory
Legislative Assistant

The following item was added as information:

1. APB - Volume 13 Issue 3