

**BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES**

August 10, 2009

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

STAFF: Deputy Chief Tony Burbridge, Halifax Regional Police
Sergeant Steve Merrick, RCMP
Ms. Shawnee Gregory, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:28 p.m. in the Meisner Room, Halifax Regional Police Headquarters, 1975 Gottingen Street.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - July 13, 2009

MOVED BY Commissioner McCluskey, seconded by Commissioner MacDonald, that the minutes of July 13, 2009, be approved as presented. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

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

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - NONE

6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

6.1. Correspondence - None

6.2 Petitions - None

6.3 Presentations - None

7. REPORTS

7.1 RCMP Reports

C Copies of the July 2009 RCMP reports were before the Board.

Sergeant Steve Merrick advised that he was sitting in for Superintendent Beaton who was attending a conference. He noted that there were no stand out differentiating numbers in the second quarter RCMP statistics for 2009. He reviewed the statistics as per the July 2009 RCMP reports.

The Chair requested an update on those members who would be attending the Vancouver Olympics at the next meeting.

7.2 HRP Reports

C Copies of the July 2009 HRP reports were before the Board.

Deputy Chief Burbridge indicated that 20 HRP members had volunteered to attend the Olympics; noting that it would not effect HRP coverage in HRM and the members would be going to Vancouver approximately one week to ten days prior to the Olympics and leaving several days after the closing ceremonies. He stated that all expenses and overtime was being paid for by the Federal Government.

Deputy Chief Burbridge indicated that the statistics were relatively positive as per the overall picture, however there had been an increase in violent crimes in two categories and there were concerns regarding robberies as they were up by 22%. He stated that it was harder to control the youth person to person robbery than store robberies and advised that despite the increase this quarter there had only been 172 robberies to date which was down from two years ago when robberies topped out at approximately 600.

Chief Burbridge advised that he would provide copies of the 2008 robbery apprehension record for the Commissioners.

8. ADDED ITEMS - NONE

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, September 14, 2009.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Shawnee Gregory
Legislative Assistant

