

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
May 8, 2006

PRESENT: Commissioner Brad Johns, Chair
 Commissioner Gloria McCluskey
 Commissioner Linda Mosher
 Commissioner James Perrin
 Commissioner Ernestine Gouthro
 Commissioner William White

STAFF: Chief Frank Beazley, HRP
 Supt. Gordon Barnett, RCMP
 Ms. Julia Horncastle, Legislative Assistant

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m.

2. **PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF MERIT**

At this time Chief Beazley presented Certificates of Merit to Mr. Greg Gillis, Mr. Lance Moore and Mr. Mike Frosst.

3. **MINUTES - March 20 & April 10, 2006**

MOVED by Commissioner McCluskey, seconded by Commissioner Gouthro, that the minutes of March 20 and April 10, 2006, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

Additions

- 6.1 Commissioner White - Clarification of status of HRM board of police commissioners as a police advisory board for the Halifax detachment of the RCMP
- 6.2 Commissioner Mosher - Park Patrol

it was requested that item 5.1 be moved to the In Camera session.

MOVED by Commissioner Gouthro, seconded by Commissioner McCluskey, that the Order of Business be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **REPORTS**

5.1 **Nova Scotia Provincial Policing Agreement Budget Overview**

This item was moved to the In Camera session under the approval of the Order of Business.

5.2 **Update Pan Handling By-law**

Chief Beazley advised Council had looked at putting together a safe streets act which would deal with all of these issues which was sent to the provincial Department of Justice. He advised he had had a meeting with Minister Scott wherein he had requested the Minister examine the Act. He noted that he had also had a meeting with Ingrid Brody and Alex Steeves and they have assured him that they are looking into the matter.

Ms. Tracy Hannah advised it was her understanding the Act was reviewed by Minister Baker and it was decided at that time not to proceed. She noted there is now a new Minister and suggested the Board write to Minister Scott requested he review the Act.

MOVED by Commissioner McCluskey, seconded by Commissioner Perrin that the Board send a letter to Minister Scott requesting he review the Safe Streets Act. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. ADDED ITEMS

6.1 Commissioner White - Clarification of status of HRM board of police commissioners as a police advisory board for the Halifax detachment of the RCMP

In response to Commissioner White as to whether or not this Board was also for the Halifax District Detachment, Supt. Barnett advised that until the Police Act was enacted the role of the Superintendent attending these meetings was largely by invitation as there was no legislative requirement for the RCMP to appear before the Board. He noted that as a result of the changes that occurred in policing in the last number of years with the integrated modelling it works better for him to attend and participate. He advised the new Act does create the requirement for a police advisory board and from the RCMP perspective there is no objection to this Board carrying out the duties of an advisory board.

6.2 Commissioner Mosher - Park Patrol

Chief Beazley requested discussion on this matter be moved to the In Camera session.

7. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 12, 2006.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned into the In Camera session at 1:00 p.m.

Julia Horncastle
Legislative Assistant