

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

January 14, 2002

PRESENT: Comm. S. David Bryson, Chair
Comm. Ann MacVicar
Comm. Bruce Hetherington
Comm. Bob Harvey
Comm. Stephen Adams

ALSO PRESENT: Police Chief David McKinnon, HRP
Supt. Chris McNeil, HRP
Supt. Stan Ferguson, RCMP
Inspector Vern Fraser
Mr. Dennis Kelly, Director of Operations, NS Dept. of Justice
Ms. Lynne Le Boutillier, Assistant Municipal Clerk

REGRETS: Comm. Eartha Monard

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1.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

The following items were added to the agenda:

Under Business Arising (HRP):

- 3.1 Rewards for Major Unsolved Crimes
- 3.2 Bryony House

Under New Business (HRP)

- 4.0 Cops for Cancer Ironman Triathlon

Under Statistics:

- 8.1 Juristat - Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics - Crime Comparisons between Canada and the United States
- 8.2 National Police Services Bench marking Survey - Final Project Report - KPMG

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the December 10, 2001 meeting were adopted, as circulated, on motion of Comm. Hetherington and Comm. Harvey.

3.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3.1 REWARDS FOR MAJOR UNSOLVED CRIMES

Comm. Hetherington questioned Chief McKinnon on the status of the report to address concerns and questions raised by Councillor Smith. The Chief explained that some additional information is required before the report can be finalized.

3.2 BRYONY HOUSE

In addition to the copies of correspondence from the Board to the Ministers of Justice and Community services and the reply of the Minister of Community Service, circulated as information items, copies of a response from the Minister of Justice were circulated at the meeting.

The Chief briefly referred to assistance the Province has provided Bryony House to help write off debt. Cathy Love of Bryony House has confirmed the situation has improved.

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

4.1 COPS FOR CANCER IRONMAN TRIATHLON

Chief McKinnon and Judy Pal advised the Board of the above noted fund raising initiative and sought approval for the fund raising effort. The plan is to solicit funds to help pay for the five member team's expenses of approximately \$20,000 and to raise a similar sum for the Canadian Cancer Society. Part of the fund raising will involve the raffling of a HRP Harley Davidson motorcycle. The Chief explained how the raffle would work, noting that HRM will receive, off the top, the value of the motorcycle and anything above would be directed to the Cancer Society. He has already discussed the proposed raffle with George McLellan and the idea was received positively.

MOVED BY Comm. Adams and seconded by Comm. Hetherington that the Board give approval to proceed with the fund raising efforts associated with the Cops for Cancer Ironman Triathlon. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES (RCMP)

5.1 REPORT TO WESTERN REGION COMMUNITY COUNCIL RE STAFFING RATIOS TANTALLON

A copy of a letter dated December 19, 2001 to Councillor Rankin, Chair of the Western Region Community Council from Supt. Ferguson, in response to correspondence dated December 10, 2001 to the Board was circulated in the agenda package. Supt. Ferguson advised the Board that he has also spoken to Councillor Rankin.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS (RCMP)

None.

7.0 ADDED ITEMS

8.0 STATISTICS

The Board was advised that the 2001 year-end statistics for the HRP should be available for the February 2002 meeting.

8.1 JURISTAT - CANADIAN CENTRE FOR JUSTICE STATISTICS

Circulated at the meeting for information was the above named report from Statistics Canada. The report provides crime comparisons between Canada and the United States for 2000.

8.2 NATIONAL POLICE SERVICES BENCH MARKING SURVEY - KPMG

CONSULTING

Copies of the Final Project Report dated November 6, 2001 were circulated at the meeting as an information item. It was noted that the HRP had participated in the survey with nine other Canadian Police Services. It was noted that information gathering exercise, which the consultants propose doing every second year, is conducted for a relatively small fee of \$3,000.00. The Chief identified some of the information which can be gleaned from the survey.

The Chief noted that there are a number of mistakes in the report. A series of meetings are to be held later in the month to rectify them.

9.0 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 11, 2002.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 to meet in camera on motion of Comm. Hetherington and Comm. Adams.

The meeting reconvened to ratify a motion regarding a budgetary matter at 2:45 p.m.

Lynne Le Boutillier
Assistant Municipal Clerk