



**BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
January 30, 2023**

PRESENT: Commissioner Becky Kent, Chair
Commissioner Harry Critchley, Vice Chair
Commissioner Lindell Smith
Commissioner Lisa Blackburn
Commissioner Yemi Akindoju
Commissioner Gavin Giles
Commissioner Anthony Thomas

STAFF: Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer
Josh Bates, Policy Advisor, Board of Police Commissioners, Government
Relations & External Affairs
Martin Ward, Solicitor
Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk
Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. The Board moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 4:38 p.m. and reconvened at 5:02 p.m. The Board adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

As provided for in section 37 (1) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, Commissioner Blackburn requested that Item 6.1 PERSONNEL MATTER – Private and Confidential Report be considered prior to item 4.

MOVED by Commissioner Blackburn, seconded by Commissioner Smith

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

MOVED by Commissioner Blackburn, seconded by Commissioner Smith

THAT the Board of Police Commissioner convene In Camera (In Private) to discuss Item 6.1 PERSONNEL MATTER.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE 2023/2024 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET

The following was before the Board:

- Revised staff report dated January 10, 2023
- Handout dated January 27, 2023
- Staff presentation dated December 14, 2022
- Staff presentation dated January 16, 2023
- Correspondence from Brian Carter, Hil Hamilton, Jesse Hatch, Kathrin Winkler, Helen Yao, Jim Joskins

MOVED by Commissioner Blackburn, seconded by Commissioner Smith

THAT, having ensured that the proposed Halifax Regional Police Operating Budget for 2023/2024 as presented at the December 14, 2022 and January 16, 2023 meetings of the Board of Police Commissioners is consistent with those matters referred to in subsection 55(3) of the *Police Act*, the Board of Police Commissioners moves the following recommendation:

1. **That Halifax Regional Council approve the proposed increase in the composition of the Halifax Regional Police as set out in the Proposed Service Enhancements described in the Revised Information Report dated January 10, 2023 from Chief Kinsella to the Board; and further**

2. That Halifax Regional Council approve the proposed Halifax Regional Police Operating Budget for 2023/2024.

Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police, Craig Horton, Financial Business Partner and Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer responded to questions of clarification from the Board.

MOVED by Commissioner Giles, seconded by Commissioner Critchley

THAT the Board of Police Commissioner defer Item 4 Halifax Regional Police 2023/2023 Proposed Operating Budget to a future of meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners.

O'Toole, Martin Ward, Solicitor and Jerry Blackwood, Executive Director Finance & Asset Management/CFO responded to questions of clarification from the Board.

MOTION TO DEFER PUT AND DEFEATED.

As provided for in section 90 of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, the motion was separated for voting purposes.

MOVED by Commissioner Blackburn, seconded by Commissioner Smith

THAT, having ensured that the proposed Halifax Regional Police Operating Budget for 2023/2024 as presented at the December 14, 2022 and January 16, 2023 meetings of the Board of Police Commissioners is consistent with those matters referred to in subsection 55(3) of the *Police Act*, the Board of Police Commissioners moves the following recommendation:

- 1. That Halifax Regional Council approve the proposed increase in the composition of the Halifax Regional Police as set out in the Proposed Service Enhancements described in the Revised Information Report dated January 10, 2023 from Chief Kinsella to the Board;**

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED.

MOVED by Commissioner Blackburn, seconded by Commissioner Smith

THAT, having ensured that the proposed Halifax Regional Police Operating Budget for 2023/2024 as presented at the December 14, 2022 and January 16, 2023 meetings of the Board of Police Commissioners is consistent with those matters referred to in subsection 55(3) of the *Police Act*, the Board of Police Commissioners moves the following recommendation:

- 2. that Halifax Regional Council approve the proposed Halifax Regional Police Operating Budget for 2023/2024.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. MEMBERS OF BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

5.1 Commissioner Smith – Halifax District Royal Canadian Mounted Police Resource Request

The following was before the Board:

- Request for Consideration form from Commissioner Smith

MOVED by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn

THAT the Board of Police Commissioners recommend that Halifax Regional Council approve the Halifax District Royal Canadian Mounted Police resource request for an additional 4 front line uniformed resources in the 2023-2024 fiscal year; and that the Halifax District Royal Canadian Mounted Police resource request for additional uniformed resources for the 2024-2025 and 2025-

2026 fiscal years be considered during Regional Council's 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 budget deliberations.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

6. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

6.1 PERSONNEL MATTER – Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

The following was before the Board:

- Private and confidential report dated January 11, 2023
- Private and confidential handout dated January 30, 2023

MOVED by Commissioner Blackburn, seconded by Commissioner Smith

THAT the Board of Police Commissioners adopt the direction provided In Camera (In Private) at the January 11, 2023 Board of Police Commissioners Meeting.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Catie Campbell
Legislative Assistant