

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING July 19, 2021

PRESENT: Commissioner Lindell Smith

Commissioner Carole McDougall, Vice Chair

Commissioner Lisa Blackburn Commissioner Becky Kent

REGRETS: Commissioner Carlos Beals

Commissioner Anthony Thomas

STAFF: Brad Anguish, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Martin Ward, Solicitor Andrew Gough, Solicitor

Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police

Chief Superintendent Chris Leather, Halifax Royal Canadian Mounted Police District

Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk

Andrea Lovasi-Wood, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 12:36 p.m. and adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, who are the original peoples.

2. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners noted community announcements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - June 21, 2021

MOVED by Commissioner Kent, seconded by Commissioner McDougall

THAT the minutes of June 21, 2021 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions: None Deletions: None

MOVED by Commissioner Blackburn, seconded by Commissioner Kent,

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

- 5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES NONE 6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS - NONE
- 7.CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS NONE

8. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

8.1 Correspondence

Correspondence was received and circulated for items: 10.2.1.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

- 8.2 Petitions NONE
- 8.3 Presentation NONE

9. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD - NONE

10. REPORTS

10.1 STAFF

10.1.1 Board of Police Commissioners Annual Report - 2020

The following was before the Board of Police Commissioners:

- A draft information report from the Chair of the Board of Police Commissionaires dated July 15, 2021
- Motion Memo dated July 19, 2021

MOVED by Commissioner McDougall, seconded by Commissioner Kent

THAT the Halifax Board of Police Commissioners:

- 1. Approve the 2020 Board of Police Commissioners annual report as presented; and
- 2. Direct that the approved 2020 Board of Police Commissioners annual report be forwarded to Halifax Regional Council for information.

Commissioners Lindell Smith, Chair and Carole McDougall, Vice Chair, gave a presentation on the draft Board of Police Commissioners Annual Report – 2020.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.2 HRM Wortley Report Recommendations - Update

Preparation for Two Year Wortley Report Summary

Councillor Lindell Smith, Chair, gave a presentation on the preparation for Two Year Wortley Report Summary.

Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police, and Chief Superintendent Chris Leather, Halifax Royal Canadian Mounted Police District (Halifax RCMP District), gave a presentation on the preparation for Two Year Wortley Report Summary.

10.1.3 Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Halifax Regional Police Crime Statistics

The following was before the Board of Police Commissioners:

- A staff report from Halifax Regional Police dated July 19, 2021
- A staff report from Halifax RCMP District dated July 19, 2021

Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police, gave a brief presentation on HRM Policing Services 2020/21 1st half comparison and responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

Chief Superintendent Chris Leather, Halifax RCMP District, responded to questions of clarification from The Board of Police Commissioners.

10.1.4 Halifax Regional Police and Royal Canadian Mounted Police Financial Reporting

The following was before the Board of Police Commissioners:

- A staff report from Halifax Regional Police dated July 19, 2021
- A staff report from Halifax RCMP District dated July 19, 2021

Chief Superintendent Chris Leather, Halifax RCMP District, gave a brief presentation on Royal Canadian Mounted Police Financial Reporting Year by Year Budget Analysis and responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police, gave a brief presentation on Halifax Regional Police 2020/21 – 4th Quarter Financial Update and responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

Martin Ward, Solicitor, responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

10.1.5 Halifax Regional Police and Royal Canadian Mounted Police Strategic Plan Updates

The following was before the Board of Police Commissioners:

- A staff presentation from Halifax Regional Police dated July 19, 2021
- A staff presentation from Halifax RCMP District dated July 19, 2021

Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police, gave a brief presentation on Halifax Regional Police 2015-2025 Strategic Plan Update and responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

Chief Superintendent Chris Leather, Halifax RCMP District, gave a presentation on RCMP Halifax District Key Deliverables 2021/22 April 2021 - June 2021 and responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

Copies of the staff presentations are on file.

10.1.6 Alternative Approaches to Public Intoxication: Feasibility of Sobering Centres and Managed Alcohol Programs

Commissioner Smith, Chair, gave a presentation on a recent discussion at Regional Council regarding Alternative Approaches to Public Intoxication: Feasibility of Sobering Centres and Managed Alcohol Programs.

Amy Siciliano, Public Safety Advisor, responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police, responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

Chief Superintendent Chris Leather, Halifax RCMP District, responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

10.2 MEMBERS OF BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

10.2.1 Commissioner Smith – BOPC Committee to Define Defunding Police

The following was before the Board of Police Commissioners:

• Correspondence from Steven Kaszab

Commissioner Lindell Smith, Chair Board of Police Commissioners, gave a presentation on the progress of the Board of Police Commissioners - Subcommittee to Define Defunding Police and responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

10.3 COMMISSIONER UPDATES - NONE

10.4 HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE/ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE CHIEF UPDATES

Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police, gave an update on recent Halifax Regional Police initiatives and responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

Chief Superintendent Chris Leather, Halifax District RCMP, updated the Board on recent initiatives and responded to questions of clarification from the Board of Police Commissioners.

11. ADDED ITEMS - NONE

12. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION - NONE

13. IN CAMERA (In Private)

13.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes - June 21, 2021

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Commissioner Blackburn, seconded by Commissioner Kent

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of June 21, 2021 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Private and Confidential Information Items

- 1. Private and Confidential Correspondence dated February 8, 2021
- 2. Private and Confidential Correspondence dated June 6, 2021 and June 18, 2021
- 3. Private and Confidential Correspondence dated June 30, 2021

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Meeting scheduled for August 16, 2021 is postponed to September 20, 2021

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Andrea Lovasi-Wood Legislative Assistant