

**Information Report from the Chief of Halifax Regional Police for the HRM Board
of Police Commissioners' Meeting on June 19, 2017**

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Personnel:

- HR is currently processing candidates for a promotional routine for the following ranks: Staff Sergeant and Sergeant
- HR completed competitions for the following ranks: Deputy Chief of Police and Inspector

Hires

- One (1) civilian employee was hired: 1 term Functional Analyst
- Three (3) civilians for new challenges within police (1 Admin Support, 1 Intercept Monitor, 1 Supply Assistant II)
- Nine (9) new sworn police officers

Resignations

- Four (4) civilian employees resigned: 1 Intercept Monitor, 1 Disability Case Management Coordinator, 1 Emergency Planning Administrator, 1 Functional Analyst
- One (1) sworn police officer

Retirements

- One (1) Staff Sergeant retired

Training:

- N/A

Operations – notable incidents:

Robbery

On May 16, officers responded to a robbery call at Shopper's Drug Mart on Spring Garden Road where a male handed the pharmacist a note demanding drugs. Suspect was arrested in the area and later charged with one count of Robbery.

Break and Enter

Report received on May 17 of a break and enter into a residence at Kings Wharf by males potentially armed with firearms. The address provided, however, was invalid. Officers secured the area and searched three residential buildings. Through the course of the investigation, a male in one unit was located with a quantity of unsecured firearms. He was charged with seven counts

of unsafe storage in addition to charges for possession of cocaine, possession of MDMA, and possession of marihuana.

Attempted Murder

On May 25, officers attended a vehicle/pedestrian collision on Farrell Street where a car struck a 25-year-old female who suffered life-threatening injuries. The male suspect was taken into custody at the scene. Through the course of the investigation, it was determined that the male and female were known to each other. The male had backed up and struck the female. Suspect was charged with attempted murder, assault causing bodily harm, assault with weapon, impaired driving, dangerous operation of MV, and criminal negligence causing bodily harm.

Crime Trends:

Thefts from Motor Vehicles East Division

Thefts from motor vehicles in Dartmouth continue to be an issue. A media release was issued on May 26 as a public advisory because since May 2 there were 20 reports of thefts from vehicles in the areas of Portland Estates, Portland Hills, Mt Edward Road, Caledonia Road and Montebello area. Patrol and Community Response Officers as well as the Quick Response Unit continued to focus their efforts in these areas.

Break and Enters into Laundry Rooms – East Division

There were five incidents between May 12 and May 31 in East zones including Victoria Road area, Jackson Road, and Galaxy Avenue. Incidents occurred between Wednesdays and Saturdays and there have been no suspects or charges on these incidents at this point. There have been no new incidents since May 31 in East Division.

Outreach Initiatives/Projects:

- The PR Unit supported various campaigns including Police Week, Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month, Safe Boating Awareness Week and Bike Week.
- On June 2, a media release was issued to announce the start of the annual targeted patrols in downtown Halifax that will occur from June to October. This is part of the Downtown Safety Strategy that launched in June 2012, which helps to reduce assaults and alcohol related incidents in the area.

Communications:

- Constable Stephanie Glendenning is the 2017 Community Service Award recipient presented by the International Association of Women Police (IAWP). In an effort to

highlight our employees, a media release was shared on HRP's website and social media channels.

- HRP invited its employees to an Employee Recognition Ceremony on June 6 to present Letters of Recognition, Chief's Compliments and Commendations for their outstanding work. A Chief's Commendation bar is now a standard feature on HRP uniforms.

Audits:

- There is nothing to report at this time.

Buildings:

Facility Review Project:

- There is nothing to report at this time.

Policy:

Policies in final stages:

- Drugs
- Report to Justice and Detention Orders

Upcoming policies:

- Sexual Assault Investigations
- SBOR
- Strip Search
- Use of Force
- Spit Hood
- Use of the Safety Smock
- High Risk Prisoners
- Major Crime/Cold Case/Homicide