

KENTVILLE POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES March 16, 2018

- PRESENT** Chairman Gerrard, Commissioner Maxwell,
Commissioner Mahoney, Commissioner Candow,
Commissioner Pearl, Commissioner Andrew, CAO
Phillips, Chief Julia Cecchetto, Inspector Brown and
Recording Secretary Dawn Fitch.
- CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL
CALL** Chairman Gerrard called the meeting to order at 9:00 a m
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** It was moved by Commissioner Candow and seconded by
Commissioner Pearl
that the agenda be approved.
MOTION CARRIED
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES
January 19, 2018** It was moved by Commissioner Candow and seconded by
Commissioner Pearl
that the minutes be approved.
MOTION CARRIED
- Commissioner Maxwell arrived.
- BUSINESS ARISING FROM
THE MINUTES** (a) **Discipline Matter**
Chairman Gerrard advised that a letter of apology should
have been received by now from Commissioner Andrew
regarding this matter but it has not been complied with.
Some discussion took place in that the Commission had
given the direction of a reprimand and a letter of apology
by Commissioner Andrew and a mediated meeting.
- Commissioner Andrew left the meeting at 9:13 am.
- The Commission reviewed the motion for the disciplinary
action with further discussion on the behaviour, actions
of all parties involved as well as policy. The Chair will
issue the reprimand next week including advice on how

to deliver the letter of apology, continuing the process. It was noted that the original parking issue is continuing.

It was moved by Commissioner Candow and seconded by Commissioner Maxwell

That a supplementary paragraph be added to the letter of reprimand advising of the Commission's concern regarding the code of conduct and expected behaviour of Commission members as well as the ongoing parking issue

MOTION CARRIED

(b) Recognition – Nola Folker-Hill

Chief Cecchetto advised there are several options for honoring Nola but suggested planting a tree at Kentville Police Service as her name already appears on a plaque for the opening of the building. A ceremony close to Apple Blossom was suggested.

(c) Traffic lane near Post Office, Main St.

Chief Cecchetto advised this has been looked into. There is a yield sign and a broken line there now. This will be changed to a solid line in the spring.

NEW BUSINESS

(a) Bike Patrol

Chief Cecchetto advised she is bringing back the bike patrol. She had our bicycles looked at by Valley Stove & Cycle noting they are not in great shape. She is getting a price on a new bike to replace one for the members and on fixing the other one for the auxiliaries to use. It should be approximately \$700 and the new bike may be partially sponsored by them. Some equipment will be needed; shorts, reflective coat, some training. 3 officers are interested, ideally one per shift would be good. It is hoped to stat this up by May.

(b) Budget

Chief Cecchetto went over the budget line by line. It appears we will be down approximately \$214,000 in the budget mostly due to members being off on LTD.

Training has been increased mostly due to the new marihuana laws but there is other training as well. There

has been a lack of training the past little while. Equipment costs, which is put in capitol, is expensive. With the proposed efficiency upgrade to our building, heating costs should drop by 1/3. Chief Cecchetto noted that the mentoring program is now going forward as a sponsor has come forward. There is a \$40,000 cost for clothing but that may drop as the members now must show what is wrong with their current uniform. New LED lights have been replaced for the outside of the building.

It was moved by Commissioner Candow and seconded by Commissioner Maxwell

That we approve endorsement of the budget as presented by Chief Cecchetto

MOTION CARRIED

It was noted that included in capitol costs are:

Replace our current truck with a car, approximately \$50,000.

The 2011 CRV has low mileage but it should be replaced.

The body cams are approximately \$7,800 for the first year.

The new roadside screeners for cannabis (2) for \$9,000 possible \$3500 - \$5000 plus the swab kits at \$25 - \$40 per use

Electrical upgrades \$23,000

IN CAMERA

Commissioner Mahoney seconded by Commissioner Pearl moved at 10:40 am

To go in camera on a personnel matter

Personnel Matters

(a) Grievance update

Motion to come out of in camera at 11:15 am

NEXT MEETING

June 8th 2018 12 noon

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

APPROVED