

KENTVILLE POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES SEPTEMBER 25, 2020

PRESENT Chairman Gerrard, Commissioner Mahoney, Commissioner Pearl, Commissioner Walker, Commissioner Maxwell, and Recording Secretary Dawn Fitch.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL Chairman Gerrard called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA It was moved by Commissioner Pearl and seconded by Commissioner Mahoney
that the agenda be approved
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES August 28th, 2020 Minutes approved

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (a) **Department of Justice**
Chief Cecchetto advised that there is a representative coming to our next meeting. The November meeting may be moved to early December due to the municipal election.

NEW BUSINESS No New Business

REPORTS (a) **Chief's Report (attached)**
Chief Cecchetto highlighted her reports. The Auxiliaries are consistent. The most active are Harlon Wood and Brady Atwater. SOTs are coming up. Calls for service in August are consistent. July 2020 are down over 100 from July 2019 which was unusually busy. They are back where they should be. The Chief highlighted the meetings she attended noting that she has passed some committees onto Deputy Chief Smith. Premier McNeil selected Chief Cecchetto for design team regarding Black Lives Matter. She has also

been selected to be on the committee regarding the Wortly report concerning street checks. This is along the same lines as Black Lives Matter. This affects everyone but it is mostly an HRM issue. Chief Cecchetto has been selected to be on the Alert Ready System committee. There was some discussion on how this system currently works. The Restorative Justice Program was discussed. Mental Health is still an issue. It is trying to be proactive, what can police do better? There are 275 mental health calls per year in this area for police. We are trying to reduce police as the first responder to be MHA or EHS.

(b) S/Cst Wood's Report (July, August attached)

Chief Cecchetto highlighted the by-law report noting there is a fair amount of unsightly premise complaints. Parking is coming back slowly as we don't want to hurt the downtown businesses more. It was requested to have Sp/Cst. Harlon Wood at the next meeting. The noise by law is currently under revision as well as the animal bylaw.

(c) Chair's Report

Chairman Gerrard advised he has no report.

(d) Financial Report August (attached)

Chief Cecchetto advised the target for this period is 41.7% and we are at 42% overall. She advised remuneration is up slightly due to retro pay and that insurance is over budget a little but that is paid up for the year. We should have the RCMP radios soon and have had to buy batteries for them. The telephone account is up a little as we had to buy 2 phones. The OTHER account under building maintenance is cleaning, the OTHER account under Office Expense is tax payments, also breathalyzer/roadside calibration and inspection, ammo, taser cartridges, cocaine swabs, flag with new crest, bike maintenance, etc. It was requested that the Finance Department break this down in the future. Some extra cleaning was done due to COVID. There was some discussion on interdepartmental charging of accounts. We are not buying Crime Prevention items due to COVID.

Commissioner Maxwell seconded by Commissioner Pearl moved

to accept the Reports

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IN CAMERA

Commissioner Pearl seconded by Commissioner Maxwell moved

to enter in camera session

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Commissioner Walker seconded by Commissioner Mahoney moved at 14:30 pm

to come out of in camera session.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 14:40 pm

APPROVED