

Report from Nova Scotia Association of Police Governance (NSAPG)

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#### BACKGROUND

The Nova Scotia Association of Police Governance (NSAPG) is a provincial organization, established 1991, that exists to support Municipal Boards of Police Commissions and Advisory Boards in the province. Goals include collecting and sharing police governance information, identifying training opportunities to inform civilian members of their role and responsibilities, providing networking opportunities for civilian members and discussing policy concerns that have a provincial impact affecting police services in Nova Scotia. The NSAPG board meets at least three times a year and co-hosts an annual conference with the Nova Scotia Chiefs of Police Association in September, each year.

The NSAPG board is composed of a member from each of the ten Municipal Board of Police Commissions and five Advisory Board members - one from each of the five zones established by the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities. These five represent the 29 Advisory Boards from across the province. The Executive Committee, elected at the Annual General Meeting held in conjunction with the conference, meets at least three times per year or as needed.

#### UPDATE

The board met April 8 and agreed to begin virtual monthly meetings to discuss issues concerning board effectiveness:

- training module being developed by DOJ for boards,
  - reappointments under DOJ responsibility
  - regular meetings with DOJ representatives to ensure timely information is received
- The next meeting of the NSAPG board will be in mid May.