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**Board of Police Commissioners**  
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**Report on work of the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG)**

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**Background**

The Canadian Association of Police Governance is a national organization dedicated to excellence in police governance. Founded in 1989, it is the national voice of civilian oversight of municipal police. CAPG serves its members with training and networking opportunities, collaborates with police service leaders and associations as well as federal, provincial and municipal governments. The Board of Directors of CAPG is made up of two members from each province (three from Ontario) as well as three First Nations members, all focused on governance of police services in their province. First Nations members are focused on the role of governance for Self-Administered Police Services on reserve. Each province proposes members who are elected for two-year terms at the annual general meeting held in August or late September.

Nova Scotia's two representatives are chosen and recommended by the NSAPG. Generally, one member represents Halifax or Sydney (the two largest commissions) and the other is from another municipal commission. Currently, Wayne Talbot, Deputy Mayor, Truro and Chair of the Truro Police Commission and Carole McDougall, Vice Chair, Halifax Board of Police Commissioners, represent Nova Scotia on the national board.

**October 2021 Update**

The National First Nations Conference and CAPG conference were held during the week of September 27-30, 2021.

All Halifax BoPC were registered for both conferences and can access any sessions they missed by linking on the national CAPG website and using the password they were provided in the original email received to log into the conference. Despite the virtual format, sessions were well attended. Evaluations are being compiled. There is hope that the 2022 conference to be held in Saskatoon, will be in-person.

During the Annual General Meeting on September 30, new board members were elected from across the country. At a subsequent meeting, members elected Wayne Talbot, Deputy Mayor in Truro and Chair of the Truro BoPC, to serve as President for the next year.

**Reminder of monthly webinars available to Halifax BoPC**

**CAPG Monthly Information/Education Webinars**

CAPG offers a webinar series each year and as the BoPC is a member, we are able to purchase the series for \$1000. This will allow any member of the BoPC or police service, access on the day of the webinar or to the archive if schedules conflict with the date of the live webinar. The list of topics for 2021 are below.

## **2021 Sessions**

Tuesday, January 26, 2021, at 12 EST

### **Victims Rights and Police Governance: What should Police be Doing?**

with *Heidi Illingworth, Federal Ombudsman for Victims of Crime*

Tuesday, February 2, 2021, at 12 EST

### **Effective Evaluation of Police Leadership**

with *Ryan Teschner, Executive Director, Toronto Police Services Board*

March

### **A Conversation with Ontario's First Inspector General of Policing**

with *Devon Clunis (TBC)*

April

### **Responding to a Call to Defund Police**

with *Akwasi Owusu-Bempah, University of Toronto (TBC)*

May

### **Privacy Issues & Technology in Policing**

with *Teresa Scassa, University of Ottawa, Canada Research Chair in Information Law and Policy (TBC)*

June

### **Manitoba Police Act Review & Recommendations**

with *Andrew Minor, Executive Director Manitoba Police Commission*

*Rick Linden, University of Manitoba*

and

*Cal Corley, CSKA*

July

### **Municipal Council & Police Governance – Legal Boundaries, Guidelines & Ethics**

with *Glenn Christie (TBC)*

August

### **Tiered Policing in Canada**

with *Dr. Dennis Cooler, former Executive Director of the Law Commission of Canada (TBC)*

September 20

**Leadership and Decision Making in Policing**

with *Tullio Caputo and Tarah Hodgkinson (TBC)*

October 12

**Shifting the RCMP to a Municipal Service – Lessons Learned on the Way**

with *Melissa Granum, Executive Director, Surrey Police Board (TBC)*

November

**Police Recruiting – Developing the most Effective Strategy for a Reflective Service**

*Speaker to be announced*

December

**Police Board Governance – A Primer to Brush up on your Basics**

with *Andrew Graham, Queen's University*