



**Item No. 10.3.4**  
**Board of Police Commissioners for the Halifax Regional Municipality**  
**November 12, 2025**

**TO:** Chair O'Malley and Commissioners of the Board of Police Commissioners for the Halifax Regional Municipality

**FROM:** Bill Moore, Commissioner of Public Safety

**DATE:** October 14, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Board of Police Commissioners 2026 Meeting Schedule

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**ORIGIN**

Staff-initiated report.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

An annual schedule for the Board of Police Commissioners is adopted each fall the upcoming calendar year.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Police Commissioners for the Halifax Regional Municipality approve the proposed meeting schedule for 2026 as outlined in Attachment 1 of this report.

**BACKGROUND**

The Board of Police Commissioners for the Halifax Regional Municipality (BoPC) currently meets the first Wednesday of each month starting at 1:00 p.m. in-person at the HEMDCC Meeting Space, Main Floor Alderney Landing, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth. The BoPC's monthly meetings are currently scheduled for five hours, with a scheduled end time of 6:00 p.m.

**DISCUSSION**

The recommended meeting schedule [Attachment 1] provides for ten regular meetings in 2026 held at the Harbour East Marine Drive meeting space beginning at 1:00 p.m. The meetings are scheduled for five hours

in duration, with a scheduled end time of 6:00 p.m. The BoPC typically meets on the first Wednesday of the month, however the Board's February and March 2026 meetings are scheduled to be held on Mondays to accommodate the schedule of the BoPC's 3 Councillor appointees who are scheduled to attend Budget Committee meetings on Wednesdays during these months. The BoPC's 2026 regular meeting dates satisfies the *Police Act* requirement that the BoPC meet every three months [*Police Act*, 2004, S.N.S. 2004, c. 31, section 49].

The recommended meeting schedule [Attachment 1] includes a meeting on Monday February 23, 2026 in case the Budget Committee after its February 4-6, 2026 review of the Halifax Regional Police (HRP) and the Royal Canadian Mount Police Halifax Regional Detachment (RCMP HRD) budget presentations asks the Board to further review HRP's 2026/2027 operating budget and RCMP HRD's 2026/2027 staff complement request.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

No financial implications at this time.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

No community engagement was required.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

The Board of Police Commissioners for the Halifax Regional Municipality could choose not to approve the recommendation.

### **LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

*Police Act*, 2004, S.N.S. 2004, c. 31, section 49, states:

49       The board must hold a board meeting at least every three months.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Proposed Board of Police Commissioners 2026 Meeting Schedule

## Proposed 2026 Meeting Schedule

### BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

**Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the Month \*when possible, at least every three months

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. \*when possible

**Location:** Meetings may be held virtually or in-person (HEMDCC Meeting Space, Main Floor Alderney Landing, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth) depending upon Board needs. Meeting locations will be posted with each meeting's agenda which can be found at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/agendas-meetings-reports>.

Month	Date
January	January 14
February	Monday February 2
February	Monday February 23 HRP and RCMP HRD 2026/2027 Budget Update (If required)
March	Monday March 2
April	April 1
May	May 6
June	June 3
July	No meeting
August	No meeting
September	September 2
October	October 7
October	October 28 (Due to NSFM)
December	December 2

**Notes:**

- Additional meetings for the purposes of Budget consideration and public consultation may be scheduled during September to November, 2026 as required in consultation with Finance staff.
- Some of these sessions may require evening meetings.

Please be advised that meeting times and locations are subject to change

**Other Dates:**

• January 1 – New Years Day	• May 18 – Victoria Day	• September 30 – National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
• February 16 – Heritage Day	• June 4 - 7 – FCM	• November 3 – NSFM
• March 16 - 20 – March Break	• July 1 – Canada Day	• November 11 – Remembrance Day
• April 3 – Good Friday	• August 3 – Natal Day	• December 25 – Christmas
• April 6 – Easter Monday	• September 7 – Labour Day	• December 26 – Boxing Day