

# BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS MINUTES June 18, 2018

PRESENT: Commissioner Steve Craig, Chair

Commissioner Carole McDougall, Vice-Chair

Commissioner Waye Mason Commissioner Tony Mancini Commissioner Natalie Borden Commissioner Anthony Thomas

REGRETS: Commissioner Carlos Beals

STAFF: Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, HRM Legal Services Chief Jean-Michel Blais, Halifax Regional Police

Chief Superintendent Lee Bergerman, Halifax District Detachment, RCMP

Inspector Robert Doyle, Halifax District Detachment, RCMP

Martin Ward, Solicitor, HRM Legal Services Duncan Reid, Solicitor, HRM Legal Services

David Perusse, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 12:35 p.m., and the Board adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

Round table introductions were held for the benefit of new members.

# 1.1 Swearing in of Commissioner Anthony Thomas

Anthony Thomas was sworn-in as Commissioner of the Halifax Board of Police Commissioners.

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 28, 2018

Commissioner McDougall noted an error in the name of the Management Employee Relations Committee.

MOVED by Commissioner Mason, seconded by Commissioner Mancini

THAT the minutes of May 28, 2018 be approved as amended.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

# 3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Deleted item:

9.1.1 Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs in HRM – Presentation

It was noted the Item 9.1.1 "Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs in HRM – Presentation" will be deferred to the July 16, 2018 meeting of the Board.

MOVED by Commissioner McDougall, seconded by Commissioner Mason

# THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two thirds majority vote required.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

- 4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES NONE
- 5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS NONE
- 6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS NONE
- 7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS
- 7.1 Correspondence None
- 7.2 Petitions None
- 7.3 Presentations

# 7.3.1 SIRT Presentation - Felix Cacchione, Executive Director, SIRT

Felix Cacchione, Executive Director, SIRT, provided the Board with a presentation on the Serious Incident Response Team (SIRT), and its role and mandate relating to policing services within the Province and across Canada.

The Chair thanked Felix Cacchione for the presentation.

#### 8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD - NONE

#### 9. REPORTS

#### **9.1 STAFF**

#### 9.1.1 Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs in HRM - Presentation

Item was deferred to the July 16, 2018 meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners.

#### 9.2 MEMBERS OF BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

#### 9.2.1 Board of Police Commissioners Annual Report to Regional Council and 2018 Work Plan

The following was before the Board:

Draft Board of Police Commissioners Annual Report to Regional Council and 2018 Work Plan

Commissioner McDougall spoke to the Board about the draft report and work plan, noting that it reflects the work completed by the Board over the previous year, and outlines the Board's work plan for the coming year. They further noted that the work plan is a result of the special working session of the Board held on June 12, 2018.

MOVED by Commissioner Mancini, seconded by Commissioner McDougall

#### **THAT the Board of Police Commissioners:**

- 1. Approve the Board of Police Commissioners 2017 annual report to Regional Council, as well as the Board of Police Commissioners work plan for 2018;
- 2. Direct that the annual report and work plan be forwarded to Regional Council for the July 17, 2018 meeting.

Chief Jean-Michel Blais, Halifax Regional Police, citing "Interest Earned from Seized Drug Money" on page 5 of the draft report, noted that the report should state that the interest is turned over to HRM general revenue accounts, rather than to the Halifax Regional Police.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

#### 9.3 COMMISSIONER UPDATES

#### 9.3.1 Management Employee Relations Committee - Update - NONE

Commissioner McDougall provided the Board with an update on the Management Employee Relations Committee, which met on June 13, 2018.

# 9.3.2 Canadian Association of Police Governance 29th Annual Conference in Winnipeg, MB, August 7-11. 2018 - Update

David Perusse, Legislative Assistant, provided the Board with an update on the annual Canadian Association of Police Governance Conference taking place in Winnipeg, Manitoba, in August. They noted that Commissioners Craig, McDougall, Beals and Borden have been registered to attend.

#### 9.4 HRP/RCMP CHIEF UPDATES

Chief Blais provided the Board with an update on the HRP's ongoing cadet recruitment campaign which will be open until September 1, 2018.

Responding to questions from members of the Board, Chief Blais further spoke to the HRP's involvement in the 2018 Halifax Pride Parade. They noted that after consulting with Halifax Pride, it was agreed that representatives from the HRP would not be walking in the parade, but would be providing security and support for the event.

Chief Blais further updated the Board on the "Coffee with a Cop" event held locally at MacDonalds. The event provided an informal community environment for members of the community to come and speak with HRP officers.

Chief Superintendent Lee Bergerman, Halifax District Detachment, RCMP, noted that following the special working meeting of the Board on June 12, 2018, staff of the HRP and the RCMP, Halifax District will be working together to review the information that is coming before the Board in their Dashboard information reports.

Chief Superintendent Bergerman further spoke to the Board about increased instances of cybercrimes within the Municipality, noting that an information report with more detail will be forthcoming in the future.

The Chair thanked Chief Blais and Chief Superintendent Bergerman for their updates.

- 10. ADDED ITEMS NONE
- 11. IN CAMERA (In Private) NONE
- 12. NOTICES OF MOTION NONE
- **13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –** July 16, 2018

After a brief discussion, members of the Board agreed to cancel the August 20, 2018 meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners.

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

David Perusse Legislative Assistant