



## BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS for the HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

### **DRAFT MINUTES December 18, 2024**

**PRESENT:**

Commissioner Becky Kent, Chair  
Commissioner Gavin Giles, Vice Chair  
Commissioner Tony Mancini  
Commissioner Virginia Hinch  
Commissioner Yemi Akindoju  
Commissioner Greg O'Malley

**STAFF:**

Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer  
Martin Ward, K.C., General Counsel  
Andrea Lovasi-Wood, Legislative Assistant  
Krista Vining, Team Lead, Legislative Assistants

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## **1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

### **1.1 Swearing In of Commissioner Tony Mancini**

Tony Mancini was sworn in as a Commissioner of the Board of Police Commissioners for the Halifax Regional Municipality.

## **2. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – NONE**

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 4, 2024**

MOVED by Commissioner Giles, seconded by Commissioner Hinch

**THAT the minutes of December 4, 2024 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

## **4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Additions: None

Deletions: None

Deferred to a future meeting of Board of Police Commissioners:

- Item 10.1 Halifax Regional Police/Royal Canadian Mounted Police Halifax Regional Detachment Chief Updates

MOVED by Commissioner Hinch, seconded by Commissioner Giles

**THAT the agenda be approved as amended.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

Later in the meeting, it was MOVED by Commissioner O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Akindoju

**THAT the following item be deferred to a future meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners:**

- Item 10.2.2 Royal Canadian Mounted Police Halifax Regional Detachment Resource Request 2025/2026

**MOTION TO DEFER PUT AND PASSED.**

## **5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE**

## **6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE**

## **7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE**

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

### **8.1 Correspondence**

Correspondence was received and circulated for item 10.2.2.

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For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

**8.2 Petitions – None**

**8.3 Presentations – None**

**9. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD**

**9.1 Commissioner O'Malley - Update on HRP Actions to Enhance Psychological Safety and Trauma Supports Including Consideration of Budgetary Implications**

The following was before the Board:

- Information report dated November 21, 2024
- Extract from the December 4, 2024 Board of Police Commissioners draft minutes
- Presentation dated December 18, 2024

Superintendent Stephanie Johnson, Halifax Regional Police gave a presentation.

Johnson, Chief Don MacLean, Halifax Regional Police, and Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer responded to questions of clarification from the Board.

**10. REPORTS/DISCUSSION**

**10.1 HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE/ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE HALIFAX REGIONAL DETACHMENT CHIEF UPDATES**

This matter was deferred during the approval of the Order of Business.

**10.2 STAFF**

**10.2.1 Halifax Regional Police Proposed 2025/2026 Operating Budget**

The following was before the Board:

- Report entitled: Halifax Regional Police Proposed 2025/26 Operating Budget
- Presentation dated December 18, 2024

Chief Don MacLean, Halifax Regional Police gave a presentation.

MacLean, Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer, Bill Moore, Executive Director of Community Safety, Craig Horton, Financial Business Partner, and Superintendent Stephanie Johnson, Halifax Regional Police responded to questions of clarification from the Board.

Jerry Blackwood, Executive Director Finance & Asset Management/Chief Financial Officer responded to questions of clarification from the Board respecting the deferral of item 10.2.2.

**10.2.2 Royal Canadian Mounted Police Halifax Regional Detachment Resource Request 2025/2026**

The following was before the Board:

- Report entitled: RCMP Halifax Regional Detachment Funding Request for Resources 2025/26
- Report entitled: RCMP Halifax Regional Detachment 2024/25 Annual Performance Plan, Second Edition
- Correspondence from Brian Sauvé

This matter was deferred; refer to the Order of Business.

**11. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**12. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE**

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**13. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE**

**14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – January 8, 2025**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Krista Vining  
Team Lead, Legislative Assistants