

June 21, 2016

City Hall, Room 530 Boardroom 32315 South Fraser Way

POLICE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Henry Braun, Chair
Aman Gill
Mike McWhinney
Barb Schimnowsky
Karen Matty

MANAGEMENT PRESENT:

Chief Constable Bob Rich
Deputy Chief Constable Dave Schmirler – Operations
Wayne Plamondon, Director Support Services
Cst. Ian MacDonald (Public Media Officer)

REGRETS:

Yvon Dandurand
Sukh Sidhu

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Donna Macey

The meeting was called to order at 1205.

1. Adoption Of Agenda

MOTION: *That the Agenda for the Open Meeting of the Abbotsford Police Board be approved.*

Moved: Mike McWhinney | **Seconded:** Aman Gill | **CARRIED**

2. Presentation of Police Board Commendations

Mayor Braun presented Rodger Williams, Jessie Garrison, and Martin Hanle with a Police Board Commendation to formally recognize the incredible efforts of these individuals to attempt to save the life of a person who jumped from the Mission bridge into the water below. A Commendation was also to be presented to Heather Hanle who was unfortunately unable to attend the meeting.

3. Police Board member recognition

Mayor Braun and Chief Rich presented Karen Matty and Mike McWhinney with a framed APD City of Abbotsford Crest to formally recognize them for their dedication and service as Police Board members for the past six years.

4. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of previous meeting - May 24, 2016
- b. Operational Crime Overview - Period 6
- c. Policy Amendment
 - II.D.100 On Duty Travel to the United States (Amendment)
 - II.B.120 Missing Persons (Amendment)
- d. Upcoming Events
- e. BCAPB Correspondence
- f. 2017 Police Board meeting dates (previously circulated)

MOTION: *That the Consent Agenda be approved.*

Moved: Karen Matty | **Seconded:** Mike McWhinney | **CARRIED**

5. Business Arising Out of Previous Minutes

None.

6. Financial Statements – May 2016

The May 2016 Financial Statements were reviewed noting the unfavourable variance in overtime and legal costs, offset by favourable variance in vehicle operating costs which is in part related to lower maintenance costs by having a vehicle bay at the APD and staffing changes that lowered the amount of vehicle use.

The report was received for information.

7. 2015 Audited Financial Statements

MOTION: *That the 2015 Audited Financial Statements be approved.*

Moved: Karen Matty | **Seconded:** Aman Gill | **CARRIED**

8. Presentation – 2016 Operational Plan Update

Chief Rich provided an update on the 2016 Operational Plan. The four priorities for 2016 are:

- #1. Suppress Gang Violence
- #2. Reduce Property Crime
- #3. Foster Employee Wellness
- #4. Increase Employee Wellness

Deputy Schmirler reported on gang conflict and violence. The relationship with CFSEU and APD has been redefined and the team is working on a common goal to reduce violence associated with identified groups. One success of this working relationship is the two recent arrests in a long standing gang-related homicide file that resulted in the death of a gang member's girlfriend. The CIB branch is also reassigning resources to focus on information and operational planning.

Deputy Schmirler reported on Property Crime noting that 2015 was difficult and that issue has continued in 2016. As of June 14th there were signs of reductions in property crime rates. The joint effort by Abbotsford, Mission, and Chilliwack with Project Valley Sweep to fight property crime has been a success at arresting those involved in property crime, with over 90 suspects arrested. The 3 month joint project is concludes at the end of June. The overall impact of the project will be reviewed and reported on in due course.

Chief Rich reported on member wellness and discussed some of the triggers of job stress, including organization stress. He reviewed the initiatives that have implemented or are now underway, including the EAP program that the City and Department are working on together and a Concussion protocol that is being established.

Deputy Schmirler reviewed the efficiency changes to Operations Control Branch, specifically staffing to support first responders, redesign of the General Investigation Section, simplified workflow procedures, and response and investigative thresholds.

Wayne Plamondon reported on Records Management in Policing, noting that BC uses a Computer Aided Dispatch system (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS) – PRIME. The

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system is antiquated and cumbersome to use. It was noted that discussions are starting to occur to modernize the systems; however it is a long term initiative that will involve all police in BC.

Action: Prepare a briefing note regarding the challenges around FOIPPA, voice recognition software, and PRIME.

The update was received for information.

9. Chief's Report

Chief Rich reported on the following:

- Finance Director – Retirement of Shelley Boyce
- 2016 LETR Torch Run for Special Olympics (Tuesday May 31)
- Police Challenge Run (Saturday, June 11, 2016)
- Cops for Cancer Jail Break (Saturday, June 11, 2016)

The report was received for information.

10. BCAPB

Aman Gill reported on the conference in Nelson.

- Speaker, Victoria Maxwell – Crazy for Life Co – her story of living with bi-polar disorder
- Melissa Granum, Delta Police department – Fair and Impartial Police Training
- ADM Clayton Pecknold, Police Services – An overview of Responsibilities of Police Boards & Training

11. CAPG Conference

The conference Agenda was noted.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

None raised.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

None raised.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: That the Open meeting of the Abbotsford Police Board be adjourned.

Moved: Mike McWhinney | **Seconded:** Aman Gill | **CARRIED**

Meeting Adjourned: 1316

“Original signed”

Chair – Henry Braun

Certified Correct:

“Original signed”

Recording Secretary – Donna Macey

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ACTIONS FROM THIS MEETING or BRING FORWARD ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

1. Prepare a briefing note regarding the challenges around FOIPPA, voice recognition software, and Prime. (Wayne Plamondon)