

**TOWN OF ANNAPOLIS ROYAL
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
July 27, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.**

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| 1. Call to Order | Chair Droy called the meeting to order at 10:03 am |
| 2. Present | Don Droy (Chair), Mike Bernard (Vice-Chair), Mayor Boyer, Deputy Mayor Power, CAO Millett-Campbell, Police Chief Mark Kane, and Recording Secretary Krista Gear. |
| 3. Regrets | |
| 4. Additions to the Agenda | Business Arising 10.I. appointment of Don Droy by Department of Justice update |
| 5. Approval of the Agenda | MOTION #BoPC202-07-27-01 It was regularly moved and seconded to approve the agenda with addition. Motion carried. |
| Edits to the Minutes | Correction in Business Arising: Chief Potter, not Porter |
| 6. Approval of the Minutes | MOTION #BoPC2022-07-27-02 It was regularly moved and seconded to approve the minutes of June 8, 2022 with corrections. Motion carried. |

7. PRESENTATIONS: None

8. PUBLIC INPUT

9. NEW BUSINESS:

10. BUSINESS ARISING:

i. Update from Council

- Lovely event at Parks Canada, the addition of an Indigenous work of art to the tapestry room with Chief Potter in attendance. The Town is looking forward to reestablishing relationship with Bear River First Nation.
- Tidal power project is in its final review with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and anticipate the Town will soon know when the next stage of the project can continue
- It was noted that there will be upcoming consultations regarding future of the wharf
- It was further noted that Deputy Mayor Power will be in attendance for Natal Day Weekend in Mayor Boyer's absence

ii. Appointment of Don Droy by Department of Justice Update

- a. It was noted that there has been another follow up regarding the new application by Chair Droy to the Department of Justice, about two weeks ago. It seems that there was confusion in that the Department thought Chair Droy was appointed as a civil member and as such couldn't be the Department of Justice member. Hopefully with clarification the application will go through. Mayor Boyer noted that the Town did file a protest/formal complaint and notified the MLA that this was acceptable. This process was started in 2019. Advertising for another civil member of the BoPC will commence shortly.

11. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

i. Chief's Reports

- Chief Kane gave a verbal report as he had recently returned from leave due to COVID. Chief Kane noted that the Officers have been getting COVID, as such quite busy working short staffed frequently, but everyone is back now.
- Chief Kane noted that there have been lots of meetings with Dept of Justice and that recommendations are now coming forward from the Mass Casualty Commission, that police departments across the province are starting to shuffle towards what is anticipated to come while awaiting final recommendations.
- The Federal Government has reorganized Organized Crime Units and the unit serving Nova Scotia is now located in Quebec
- New MOUs will be forthcoming as the Province is setting standards for policing services. Police departments will be expected to create MOUs with agencies that provide required services not usually provided by own department. Currently exploring a tiered level for identifying crimes to be assigned to that 'level approved' agency
- RCMP are now associate member with the Police Chiefs association and are not voting members. This created some tension, but needed to happen to allow for fuller communication of issues
- Officer per ratio vs policing needs being investigated as an option for funding policing services provincially, e.g. exploring the potential for increased overtime vs hiring staff
- Pride parade went well, one heat-related minor emergency encountered. Antique store sold an antique sabre/dagger without any packaging and customer was walking around with it out in the open, discussion was held with the shop owner and customer
- 80-90 hours per month Police Auxilliary
- Preparing for Natal Day Weekend events, to ensure appropriate staffing and on Monday some police from Kentville will be assisting
- Couple of incidences working with agencies, social services, to address a couple of individuals in the community who need other assistance/services
- Finishing off minor renovations to ensure Victim's services is complete
- Youth ambassador position funding, Chief Kane will meet with Chief Potter next week after Natal Day to discuss
- Will invite Chief Potter or Band Elder to do a ceremony for the new station, this has been delayed due to the fire at Band Office
- Want to get some trilingual signage for the station, and perhaps a patch for their uniforms
- Yesterday a man came in to thank Chief Kane, his husband had died a couple of days after the Pride parade and Chief Kane was able to find a photo of them and send it to him
- Question regarding any issues of parking at the wharf? Answer: a few parking tickets have been issued and complainants are informed that if they get a ticket, they can either pay it, or challenge it in provincial court. One of the vendors claimed they had written permission from the Town to park on the wharf but couldn't provide this. CAI Millett-Campbell noted that a number of folks have called or come into Town Hall thinking they can challenge it here, or that the Town can cancel it and that is not ture

ii. Departmental Financials

- a. Chief Kane noted that in the budget there are a few lines were a little above and the

bottom few lines are a bit below projections

- b. Cst. Janet Sheppard is moving back to Ontario but will be here until September
- c. One of the auxiliaries can step in as an officer as needed as he was an officer elsewhere with 30 years' experience
- d. Chief Kane noted that there is an increasing number of mental health calls
- e. Getting 6-7 people a day (walk-ins) at the new location, whereas at the old location maybe 1 per month
- f. Chief Kane noted that Training costs fluctuate as there is a requirement for all department members to access and use the Pros computer system, as such any time there is a new person the department will encounter this cost

12. CORRESPONDENCE:

13. IN CAMERA: Under Section Under Section 22(2) of the Municipal Government Act

MOTION #BoPC2022-07-27-03

It was regularly moved and seconded to move in camera at 10:30 am to address the in camera minutes of June 8, 2022. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #BoPC2022-07-27-02

It was regularly moved and seconded to move out of camera at 10:34 am. **Motion carried.**

14. NEXT MEETING: September 14, 2022 @ 10:00 am.

15. ADJOURNMENT

It was regularly moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 am