



VICTORIA & ESQUIMALT POLICE BOARD

Public Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 5:00pm
VicPD HQ – 1st Floor Briefing Room

PRESENT

Mayor Desjardins
Mayor Helps
S. Dhillon
S. Powell
E. Southern
B. Smith

P. Stockton
Chief Cst. Manak
DC Laidman
Insp. C. Brown
Insp. M. Brown
Insp. Lindner

Insp. Parks
S/Sgt. Jones
S/Sgt. King
S. Hurcombe
M. MacIntyre
D. Perry

Recording Secretary: Collette Thomson

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adoption of the Public Agenda of July 16, 2019

19-97 **MOTION:** *To adopt the Public Agenda of the July 16, 2019 meeting as presented.*
MOVED/SECONDED/CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

a. Adoption of the Minutes of the Public meeting of May 21, 2019

19-98 **MOTION:** *To approve the Minutes of the Public meeting of June 11, 2019 as presented.*
MOVED/SECONDED/CARRIED

3. PRESENTATION

a. Restorative Justice (G. Lindquist)

Refer to the document provided. Ms. Gillian Lindquist, Executive Director, provided an update regarding their work with VicPD in 2018 and highlighted the members of the department who have been especially instrumental in the partnership and success.

4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

FOR INFORMATION

a. Chief Constable Monthly Activities Report

Refer to the document provided – for information.

b. Chief Constable Update

- Operational updates were provided on significant files and calls for service including numerous protests which are police resource intensive
- The final report for the national inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women has been released publicly (<https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report/>)

c. Crime Statistics

Refer to the document provided – for information.

d. VicPD Commendations

Refer to the document provided – for information.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. BC Association of Police Boards Director's Update

- Police Services is conducting a high level environmental scan on police board governance and oversight in BC in order to better understand the gaps, challenges and opportunities to strengthen board effectiveness, governance, and accountability
- Recent meeting took place with Minister Farnworth regarding the resolutions which came out of the recent BCAPB annual general meeting
- An interim Police Services Director of Governance will be identified to fill Mr. Pilling's position during his leave of absence

b. Update re: CACOLE Conference

Board member Smith recently attended the Canadian Association of Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement conference. He provided highlights on the following agenda items discussed:

- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
- Excited Delirium, Conducted Energy Weapons and Positional Asphyxiation
- Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls – an indigenous perspective
- Cannabis
- Police use of video technology
- De-escalation techniques
- Oversight and the media

6. GENERAL

a. 190628 Email from Councillor Loveday re: Communication with Council

Refer to the email provided. Chief Manak advised that in circumstances where it is expected that a VicPD action/decision will generate media interest, VicPD will endeavour to email an embargoed copy of the relevant information and/or media release to both Councils at least 1-2 hours in advance of providing it to the media or earlier if practicable. The Police Board and VicPD staff will be notified in advance of both Councils as soon as practicable. Mayor Desjardins will respond directly to Councillor Loveday regarding his concerns.

b. 190702 Email from Citizen re: Facial Recognition Technology

Refer to the email provided – for information.

c. 190711 Letter from Police Services re: ICD Police Board Training

Refer to the email provided – for information.

7. STANDING ITEMS

a. 2020-2024 Strategic Plan Update

Refer to the PowerPoint presentation provided. DC Laidman advised that both large and small community engagement sessions have been completed and he provided a timeline of events for the rollout of the new strategic plan. Next steps include analysis of the feedback, extrapolation of themes, and the drafting of the objectives/activities for approval. Divisional action plans for 2020 transition will also be developed.

b. Co-Chairs Update

The CRD Mayors continue to discuss options for governance models of integrated units; the Chiefs will be informed as to the considerations they must take into account.

c. Board Member Engagement Update

No update available.

d. 2019 Board Strategic Priorities

Refer to the document provided – for information.

Meeting adjourned at 6:02pm

Barbara Desjardins
Lead Co-Chair

Date

Collette Thomson
Recording Secretary

Date