

Minutes of a Meeting of the Policing Committee held in the Douglas Cardinal Boardroom and remotely via Zoom on the above date at 6:30 p.m.

Present

Councillor MacKay
I. Sanderson - Chair
P. Specht - Vice-Chair
K. Sumners
M. Shuttleworth
B. Turnham

Absent

K. Kalmbach

Staff

E. Cooke, Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief / Staff Liaison
Inspector R. Comaniuk, Officer in Charge, RCMP
K. Droogers, Legislative Officer

Guests

D. Moore, Staff Sergeant, RCMP

Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and the Land Acknowledgment recognizing that we are on Treaty 6 Lands was read.

Welcome & Introductions

The Chair welcomed Committee Members, Staff and Guests in attendance.

Approval of Agenda

The Chair declared the September 10, 2024 Agenda adopted as amended by adding items 13.1 RCMP Matter and 13.2 Member Matter.

Approval of Minutes

The Chair declared the Minutes of June 11, 2024 adopted as presented.

Conflict of Interest Declaration

No member declared a conflict.

Community Engagement & Identifiers

The Committee discussed experiences at community engagement events over the summer and the need for identifiers such as nametags or t-shirts.

Committee Team Building

The Committee discussed holding a team building event at the end of October, to be discussed during the next meeting.

Reports

Officer in Charge Report

Inspector R. Comaniuk noted to the Committee that an online submission was received through the City Website.

Inspector R. Comaniuk presented the Q1 Community Report and Municipal Crime Statistics to the Committee. Highlights included updates on the Tag Your Cat campaign, compliance checks, and patrols. The Committee discussed the Purple Bench Initiative and youth-focused violent crime.

Chair Report

The Chair informed the Committee that the Policing Committee Annual Report would be presented to Council on September 17, 2024. Annual report going to Council.

The Chair noted to the Committee that Kris Wells, the first Policing Committee Chair, was appointed to Senate.

Public Complaints Director Report

The Chair tabled this item until the next meeting.

Administrative Report

E. Cooke updated the Committee on the budget and Peace Officers waiting for appointments.

Council Report

Councillor MacKay updated the Committee on Council matters, including the Community Social Needs Assessment presentation to the Standing Committee of the Whole.

Input from the Public

An email was received from a member of the public and forwarded to the Public Complaints Director.

Policing Committee Subcommittee Updates

Community Engagement Subcommittee

The Chair updated the Committee on the upcoming Chamber Luncheon.

Alberta Association of Police Governance (AAPG) Conference Subcommittee

The Chair updated the Committee on the Interim Policing Advisory Board, regulations on Policing Committees, and the Police Review Commission.

In-Camera Session

RCMP Matter

Moved by Krimsen Sumners

That the Policing Committee move in camera to discuss a matter pursuant to Section 24(1)(b)(i), (ii), and (d) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee went in camera at 8:08 p.m.

Moved by Paul Specht

That the Committee reconvene in Public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee reconvened in public at 8:16 p.m.

Member Matter

Moved by Bill Turnham

That the Policing Committee move in camera to discuss a matter pursuant to Section 24(1)(b)(i), (ii), and (d) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee went in camera at 8:17 p.m.

Moved by Bill Turnham

That the Committee reconvene in Public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee reconvened in public at 8:34 p.m.

Next Meeting

October 8, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

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Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

CHAIR

DESIGNATED OFFICER