

Minutes of a Meeting of the Policing Committee conducted remotely via Zoom on the above date at 6:30 p.m.

Present

K. Wells, Chair
A. Bohachyk, Public Complaints Director
K. Kalmbach
J. Raso
L. Sirdiak
T. Walsh
Councillor MacKay

Staff

Inspector P. Robinson, Officer in Charge, RCMP
D. Leflar, Director, Legal & Legislative Services
R. McDonald, Committee Coordinator

Guests

M. Good, Chief Superintendent Human Resources Officer, RCMP

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:31 p.m. and the Land Acknowledgment recognizing that we are on Treaty 6 Lands was read-by the Chair.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed Committee Members and Staff in attendance. Special welcome to Councillor Ken MacKay, newly appointed 2020/2021 Elected Official Council Representative for the Policing Committee.

OFFICE-IN-CHARGE INTERVIEW PROCESS/QUESTIONS

M. Good, Chief Superintendent Human Resources Officer, Alberta RCMP, provided information regarding the upcoming Officer-In-Charge position, interview questions, selection process and background information. Members had the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback.

Interview scheduled for Friday November 27, 2020 in St. Albert.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Chair declared the November 24, 2020 Agenda approved as amended. Amendments made to the November 24, 2020 agenda were as follows:

ADDED: Item 12.1 - Committee Governance & Succession Planning

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chair declared the Minutes of October 27, 2020 adopted as presented.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

No member declared a conflict.

REPORTS

6.1 Officer in Charge Report

Inspector Robinson provided an update to the Committee on the OIC Report.

- 6.1.1 Q2 Report

Inspector Robinson updated the Policing Committee members on the Officer-In-Charge Report and referenced the St. Albert RCMP Quarterly Report: Q2-2020 of which was previously distributed to the Policing Committee members in the November 24, 2020 Agenda Package.

Inspector Robinson provided an update and answered questions submitted by the members prior to the November 24th Policing Committee meeting.

6.2 Chair Report

The Chair provided an update to members of the Committee on the following items:

- 6.2.1 Annual Priorities Discussion with Council (*Nov 13/20*)

The Chair provided opportunity for members to provide feedback on the November 13, 2020 Annual Priorities Discussion with Council. Appreciation from the Chair to Council and Administration for scheduling this beneficial meeting.

- 6.2.2 City Council Budget Consultation with Committee Chairs (*Nov 19, 2020*)

The Chair provided an overview of the City Council Budget Consultation with Committee Chairs that took place on November 19, 2020. The meeting was informative, beneficial and provided opportunity to share ideas.

Councillor MacKay acknowledged the consultation meeting was an excellent way to connect with members from other Committees, collaborate and learn other ways to work better with Council and share ideas to actively engage with the community.

- 6.2.3 Police Act Review Consultations

The Chair updated the Committee on the Police Act Review consultations conversations continue. Superintendent Good has been part of those conversations and moving the Police Act forward.

A. Bohachyk provided additional details on the process and its final meeting for consultations will be November 30, 2020 where SolGen staff will move forward with different recommendations to their principals within Government.

The Chair updated the Committee on the Annual AAPG Conference scheduled for April 23-24, 2021 in Brooks, AB. Plans have been implemented for an in-person conference, but will be confirmed closer to the date.

The Chair reported 3 survey responses were received on the new Community Engagement Policing Committee page, "Cultivate the Conversation". Inspector Robinson suggested a link on the Policing Committee webpage to access the Community Engagement page be implemented for ease of access and navigation for members of the community

6.3 Public Complaint Director Report

A. Bohachyk stated no inquiries had been received over the past 4 weeks. Nothing to report for the month of November.

6.4 Administrative Report

D. Leflar, Director of Legal & Legislative Services, did not have any further updates to report to the Policing Committee. D. Leflar opened the floor to questions

The Chair advised the members that the Facilitated Process that was engaged with the Consultant is currently on hold until the new Officer-in-Charge has been appointed.

INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no public input.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

8.1 Consultation Page & APP Survey

The Chair provided a detailed summary to the Committee of continuity to promote the Consultation page, implement a link from website to the Public Survey and Cultivate the Conversation Policing Committee page.

L. Sirdiak provided information to the members of the status of the Public Engagement Plan. Normally this task would be well underway, but due to the pandemic, the process has been hindered. The implementation of the Consultation Page has been helpful and its launch was timely.

POLICY MANUAL UPDATE

Inspector Robinson reported no updates.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

10.1 Renewal Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention

The Chair provided information to the Committee and Administration of the Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention (CMNCP) 2021 annual renewal of \$700.

Moved by J. Raso

That the Policing Committee request that the City renew the CMNCP membership of \$700 be paid from the Policing Committee Budget for 2021.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE ANNUAL SELF-EVALUATION FEEDBACK

The Chair gave an update of the Committee Annual Self-Evaluation feedback summary that was distributed in the November 24, 2020 Agenda Package. Committee members provided feedback on the exercise, tools and suggested revisions for future Committee evaluations.

12.1 Committee Governance & Succession Planning

The Chair provided opportunity for the members and Council to provide feedback on the process of the online submissions for the 2021 Civic Agency Application process. The Application submission process was conducted differently from previous years.

T. Walsh suggested implementing a succession plan within the Policing Committee should the Executive Committee Members retire, resign or serve their maximum consecutive terms/years.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday January 26, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INQUIRIES

A. Bohachyk announced his retirement from the Policing Committee at the end of his term of December 31, 2020.

L. Sirdiak announced her retirement from the Policing Committee at the end of her term of December 31, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Kristopher Wells

Kristopher Wells (Jan 26, 2021 20:35 MST)

CHAIR

Renee McDonald

Renee McDonald (Jan 26, 2021 20:36 MST)

DESIGNATED OFFICER