

Municipality of the District of Lunenburg Minutes of a Police Advisory Board Meeting

Held virtually via Microsoft Teams

Wednesday January 26, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

Attendance:

Councillor Reid Whynot

Councillor Martin Bell

Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson (until 9:59 a.m.)

Dean Schmeisser, Member-at-Large

Michael Mason, Member-at-Large

Ken Zwicker, Ministerial Appointment

Staff Sergeant Victor Whalen, RCMP

Staff

Chris Kennedy, Fire Services Coordinator

Angela Henhoeffler, REMO Coordinator

Sandra Challis, Administrative Assistant

Regrets

Councillor Kacy Delong

Alex Dumaresq, Deputy C.A.O.

Sergeant Mark MacPherson

1. Call to Order

Mr. Kennedy called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Nomination of Chair & Vice Chair

Advance emails were sent for nominations for the position of Chair. Nominations were received for Councillor Martin Bell, Dean Schmeisser and Councillor Reid Whynot. Both Councillors declined the nomination, therefore Dean Schmeisser was appointed Chair by acclamation.

Advance emails were sent for nominations for the position of Vice Chair. Nominations were received for Councillor Martin Bell, Councillor Kacy Delong, Dean Schmeisser and Ken Zwicker. Dean Schmeisser was already appointed as Chair and Ken Zwicker declined the nomination. Following an electronic poll with the remaining nominees, Councillor Bell was appointed to the position of Vice Chair.

Mr. Schmeisser chaired the remainder of the meeting.

3. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as circulated.

Moved by Mr. Zwicker seconded by Councillor Whynot that the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

4. Approval of Minutes – October 27, 2021

Moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Mr. Zwicker that the Minutes of the October 27, 2022 Police Advisory Board meeting be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

5.1 Speed Trailer

Mr. Kennedy reported the two speed signs had been erected in Oakhill and Dayspring. He would be participating in a webinar on how to interpret the data provided from the units. The data is understood to provide times of day and speeds, which would assist the RCMP in tactically deploying officers when speeding was identified as a problem.

S/Sgt. Whalen advised the speed trailer was currently located in Chelsea and should weather permit, would be moved to a new location soon; a site near the Tastee Freeze in Pleasantville/Hebbville had been identified.

The Board discussed deployment of the speed trailer at the following locations:

- Conquerall Road, near Conquerall Bank Fire Department.
- Highway 331, near Maple Leaf Cemetery
- Barss Corner.
- Garden Lots/Blue Rocks.

5.2 Speed Radar Signs

A Council motion referring the purchase of four additional speed radar signs to the Finance Committee was included with the agenda for information purposes.

5.3 Be the Peace “Pathways to Justice”

The Board discussed the Be the Peace “Pathways to Justice” workshop they had attended about gendered violence. It was agreed the session had been insightful and there was a wish to maintain the relationship with the organization.

5.4 RCMP Satellite Office, New Germany

S/Sgt. Whalen reported that the satellite office had not been used regularly and was temporarily closed. The New Germany Fire Department were now considering repurposing the room to provide shower facilities. The matter would be discussed further with the organization, and S/Sgt. Whalen would update the Board.

5.5 Letter from Minister Masland re Bicycle Safety

A reply from Minister Masland to the Mayor's letter concerning Bicycle Safety was included with the agenda. Mayor Bolivar-Getson agreed to discuss this matter directly with the Minister at their next meeting.

5.6 Support for revitalization of Auxiliary Officer Program

The Mayor's letter to S/Sgt Peter Marshall supporting the Auxiliary Officer Program was included with the agenda. To date no reply had been received.

6. In Camera

At 9:29 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Bell that the Board go *In Camera* to discuss the following item:

Public Security under Section 22(2)(h) of the MGA – RCMP Reports October-December 2021. Carried.

The Police Advisory Board *In Camera* in session.

At 10:06 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Mr. Zwicker that the Board come out of *In Camera* and return to open session. Carried.

The Police Advisory Board in session.

7. Board Member Matters

None.

8. Added Items

None.

9. Next Meeting – Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business at 10:06 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Bell that the meeting adjourn. Carried Unanimously.