

**Municipality of the District of Lunenburg
Notes of a Police Advisory Board Meeting**

Held in Council Chamber, 10 Allée Champlain Drive, Cookville, NS
Wednesday, July 24, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

Attendance

Councillor Cathy Moore, District 5, Chair via Teams (arrived at 9:15 a.m.)
Councillor Martin Bell, District 2, Vice Chair
Councillor Pam Hubley, District 4
Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson (left at 10:17 a.m.)
E. Joseph Boutilier, Member-at-Large
Allan Cunningham, Member-at-Large
Staff Sergeant Victor Whalen, District Commander

Staff

Tom MacEwan, Chief Administrative Officer (left at 9:30 a.m.)
Alex Dumaresq, Deputy CAO, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator
Chris Kennedy, Fire Services Coordinator
Jennifer Harrietha, Administrative Assistant

Regrets

Samir Upadhyay, Member-at-Large
Dale Kelly, Ministerial Appointment
Sergeant Kelly Plamondon, Operations Sergeant

1. Call to Order

Councillor Bell called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

The following item was added to the agenda:

Truckology Event

**Moved by Councillor Hubley, seconded by Mayor Bolivar-Getson that the agenda be approved as amended.
Carried unanimously.**

3. Approval of Notes – April 24, 2024

**Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Mr. Cunningham that the notes be approved as circulated.
Carried unanimously.**

4. Business Arising from the Notes

4.1 Joint Police Advisory Board for Lunenburg County

Mr. Dumaresq provided an update on the Joint Police Advisory Board.

Municipality is waiting for signature from Town of Lunenburg. The signed letter will be sent to Department of Justice for approval to create the Joint Police Advisory Board.

4.2 Neighbourhood Nuisance Bylaw

Mr. MacEwan provided an updated to the Board on the “Neighbourhood Nuisance Bylaw”; as circulated with the April 2024 agenda.

The Municipality has reached out to get further input from additional Municipalities with similar bylaws in place. Staff Sergeant Whalen contacted Colchester regarding the policing of their nuisance bylaw. To-date nothing has been contested with Colchester’s bylaw.

The Board discussed the following:

- Penalties
 - summary offence tickets
 - charges under the criminal code
- Types for nuisance complaints
 - music
 - garbage
- Frequency of the complaint(s)

Moved by Councillor Hubley, seconded by Mr. Cummingham that the Police Advisory Board endorses the adoption of a Neighbourhood Nuisance Bylaw.

The Board inquired on the timeline for adoption, to which Mr. MacEwan explained the process. The Board will be provided with an update at their next regular meeting on the status of the bylaw.

Carried unanimously.

5. Consideration of Correspondence

5.1 Policing Reivew Update

The Board reviewed the letter; as attached to the agenda.

There was no discussion.

6. New Business

There was no New Business to discuss.

7. Board Member Matters

7.1 Outboard Motor Thefts

Councillor Bell submitted an email inquiring about the recent outboard motor thefts in the district, as circulated with the agenda.

The Board discussed the increase crimes in the summer months and that these are often crimes of opportunity. There was further discussion on the following:

- Vigilance
- Surveillance
- Community education
- Citizen Patrol

7.2 Speed Radar Sign – Petite Riviere

Councillor Bell submitted an email regarding the placement of a speed radar sign in District 1, as circulated with the agenda.

The RCMP portable radar sign was setup at the requested location in District 1 on July 23, 2024.

There was discussion on:

- current location(s) of the fixed radar signs
- additional locations for fixed/portable radar signs

The radars provide a good reminder to drivers to slow down, as does increased police presence.

8. Added Items

8.1 Truckology Event

A public event arranged on Facebook called “Truckology” and is scheduled to be held at Crescent Beach on August 31, 2024.

Councillors in Districts 1 and 2 have received calls from concerned area residents regarding the event. It does not appear to be a rally, but rather a social gathering.

Staff Sergeant Whalen will advise Department of Natural Resources (DNR) of the event, if they are not already aware.

9. In Camera

At 9:50 a.m., it was moved by Mayor Bolivar-Gerson, seconded by Mr. Boutilier that the Board go In Camera to discuss the following item: Public Security under Section 22(2)(h) of the MGA – RCMP Report April to June 2024.

Carried unanimously.

At 10:20 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Hubley, seconded by Mr. Cunningham that the Police Advisory Board come out of In Camera and return to open session.

Carried unanimously.

The Police Advisory Board in session.

10. Next Meeting

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business at 10:21 a.m., the meeting adjourned.