

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TABER MUNICIPAL POLICE COMMISSION, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2013 AT 4:30 PM.

PRESENT: Henk De Vlieger
Ken Holst
Councillor Garth Bekkering
Councillor Randy Sparks
Chris Bernhardt

ABSENT: Deb Sargeant
Harry Prummel

ALSO PRESENT:

Police Chief Alf Rudd
T. Greg Birch, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Kerry Van Ham, Council & CAO Assistant/Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

G. Birch, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), called the Regular Meeting of the Taber Police Commission to order at 4:33 PM. He noted that at the previous Commission meeting, the members had elected a chairperson only for that meeting because of the vacancies on the Commission. He said that the Commission could do that again or appoint a chairperson for the full term. Mr. Birch then said that he had been approached by a member about an issue the member would like to discuss in closed session before dealing with the chairperson election. The member had said that it was a labour matter that may affect the choice of the chairperson.

CLOSED SESSION

RES. 1/13 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that the Taber Police Commission move into Closed Session to discuss a labour matter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY at 4:33 PM

OPEN SESSION

RES. 2/13 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that the Taber Police Commission reconvene into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:03 PM

ELECTION**A) Chairman**

G. Birch called for nominations from the floor for the position of Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

Councillor Bekkering nominated Henk De Vlieger for the position of Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

G. Birch called for further nominations, a second, and a third and final time.

Being as there were no further nominations, Henk De Vlieger was declared elected Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission, by acclamation.

B) Vice Chairman

G. Birch called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

C. Bernhardt nominated Ken Holst for the position of Vice Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

G. Birch called for further nominations, a second, and a third and final time.

Being as there were no further nominations, Ken Holst was declared elected Vice Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission, by acclamation.

H. De Vlieger assumed the Chair duties for the balance of the Taber Municipal Police Commission meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair H. De Vlieger inquired if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda, and there were none.

RES. 3/13

MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that the Taber Police Commission adopt the Agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS - NONE

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**A) Regular Meeting – November 28, 2012**

K. Holst stated that a member of the public had contacted him to ask for verification of the accuracy of the times that were recorded in the minutes of the November 28, 2012 meeting, in which the Taber Municipal Police Commission reconvened into open session (RES.96/2012), and also accepted, for information, a letter from Police Chief Alf Rudd regarding the complaint of the same member of the public (RES.97/2012).

The Taber Municipal Police Commission discussed the progression of the November 28, 2012 meeting, the accuracy of the recorded minutes, and the due diligence procedure of minute taking. The Commission members also noted that there was no public or media presence at that point of the November 28, 2012 meeting.

RES. 4/13 MOVED by K. Holst that the Taber Police Commission adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 28, 2012, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - NONE**INFORMATION ITEMS****A) Police Performance Metrics**

Police Chief Rudd stated that, along with K. Holst, he participated in an interview conducted on behalf of the Public Safety Canada project regarding Taber Police Services processes of police performance, as prescribed by the Solicitor General. Related correspondence was in the agenda package.

RES. 5/13 MOVED by C. Bernhardt that the Taber Police Commission accepts the correspondence for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**B) Sustainability of Public Police:
Research Project Support**

At the Police Commission meeting of November 28, 2012, the Taber Police Commission directed Chief Alf Rudd and the Chair of the Police Commission to draft a letter of support for the research to be undertaken by Carleton University regarding the sustainability of public police service in Canada for the Chair's signature.

INFORMATION ITEMS – CONT'D**B) Sustainability of Public Police:
Research Project Support – Cont'd**

The letter which was submitted on behalf of the Taber Municipal Police Commission was included in the agenda package for information purposes.

RES. 6/13 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that the Taber Police Commission accepts the correspondence for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS**A) Canadian Association of Police Boards (CAPB):
Call for Resolutions**

Police Chief Rudd stated that the CAPB is calling for resolutions for presentation at the Annual General Meeting on August 16, 2013 being held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

RES. 7/13 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that the Taber Police Commission, having no resolution submission, accepts the CAPB Call for Resolutions for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**B) Canadian Association of Police Boards:
Membership Renewal**

A motion is required to approve the payment of the 2013 Membership fees. The Taber Police Service is in the category of 11-25 members for a membership fee of \$419.10.

RES. 8/13 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that the Taber Police Commission approves the payment of the 2013 CAPB Membership Fee in the amount of \$419.10.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D**C) Policing Oversight Standards:
Standards Implementation Resource Material**

Following the distribution of the final version of the Policing Oversight Standards which was presented to the Taber Municipal Police Commission at the November 28, 2012, the Office of Alberta Justice and Solicitor General has provided resource material to assist with implementation of the standards.

Police Chief Rudd stated that although Taber Police Service has an existing policy manual, a review of this resource material will need to be conducted in order to ensure that the existing manual is synchronized with this documentation.

MOVED by C. Bernhardt that the Taber Police Commission requests Police Chief Rudd, in consultation with the Chair of the Police Commission, to review the relevance of these suggestions and bring forth applicable suggestions for Police Commission review and input.

Councillor Bekkering requested a friendly amendment to state "in consultation with a member of the Police Commission", rather than "in consultation with the Chair".

C. Bernhardt accepted the friendly amendment.

RES. 9/13

MOVED by C. Bernhardt that the Taber Police Commission requests Police Chief Rudd, in consultation with the a member of the Police Commission, to review the relevance of these suggestions and bring forth applicable suggestions for Police Commission review and input.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**C) Taber Municipal Police Commission:
Setting Regular Meeting Dates for 2013**

The Taber Municipal Police Commission Policy Manual, Section 2.13(1) states that at the first meeting of the year, all meetings occurring that year will be set and made public.

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D**C) Taber Municipal Police Commission:
Setting Regular Meeting Dates for 2013 – Cont'd**

RES.10/13 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that the Taber Police Commission sets the schedule of the Regular Meetings of the Taber Municipal Police Commission for 2013 to be the 3rd Wednesday of each month, excepting July, August and December. Unless notified one (1) week in advance, all meetings begin at 4:30 PM in the Council Chambers of the Town of Taber Administration Building, although the Commission may choose to hold meetings at differing places within the community.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMISSION/STAFF REPORTS**A) Police Chief's Report**

Police Chief Rudd provided an update of departmental activities and statistics to the Taber Police Commission.

The Commission discussed the activities and the statistical trends.

RES.11/13 MOVED by C. Bernhardt that the Taber Police Commission accepts Police Chief Rudd's Report and Stats for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Financial Information to November 30, 2012

Police Chief Rudd reviewed the financial statement information for the month ending November 30, 2012.

RES.12/13 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that the Taber Police Commission accepts the Financial Information to November 30, 2012, for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEDIA INQUIRIES

T. Busch, Taber Times, inquired as to the meaning of hosting "Operation Pipeline" training, which was contained in the Police Chief's Report.

Police Chief Rudd stated that this training refines profiles for criminals while they are travelling in vehicles by giving officers indicators as to what to look for when they check a vehicle in order to keep our highways safe.

CLOSED SESSION

RES.13/13 MOVED by K. Holst that the Taber Police Commission move into Closed Session to discuss legal and labour matters.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:29 PM

OPEN SESSION

RES.14/13 MOVED by Councillor Sparks that the Taber Police Commission reconvene into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:25 PM

RES.15/13 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that the proposed "Conflict of Interest Involving Members" Policy be incorporated into the Taber Police Service Policy Manual.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES.16/13 MOVED by Councillor Bekkering that \$36,000.00 of the funds budgeted in 2012 for capital expenditures (Account 4-21-10-630-0018) be re-allocated for the purchase of proper dispatch pods and associated equipment.

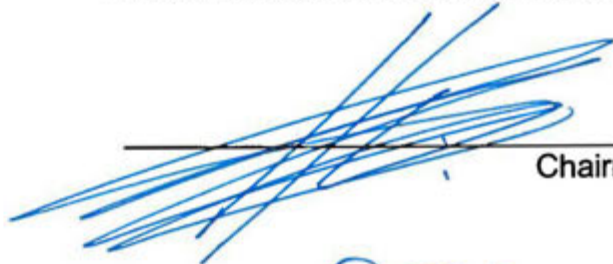
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES.17/13

MOVED by C. Bernhardt that this Regular Meeting of the Taber Police Commission is hereby closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 6:28 PM



Chairman



Chief Administrative Officer

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