

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TABER MUNICIPAL POLICE COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF TABER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021, AT 4:30 PM.

Chairperson

Martin Sorensen

Vice Chairperson

Wanda Osburne-Campbell

Members

Jack Brewin
John MacDonald
Daniel Remfert
Joe Strojwas
Terry Zucht

Staff

Graham Abela
Raeanne Keer
Tenille Miller

To begin the meeting, Mayor Prokop was in attendance to swear in the following individuals:

- Tenille Miller was sworn in as Secretary, for the Taber Municipal Police Commission for a term of one year. Term expires December 31, 2021.
- John MacDonald was sworn in as a Taber Municipal Police Commission member for another term of two years. Term expires December 31, 2022.
- Martin Sorensen was sworn in as a Taber Municipal Police Commission member for another term of three years. Term expires December 31, 2023.

CALL TO ORDER

Chief G. Abela called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm.

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Nominations for Chair and Vice Chair

Chief G. Abela called for nominations from the floor for Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

T. Zucht nominated Martin Sorensen for the position of Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission. M. Sorensen accepted the nomination. Chief G. Abela called for further nominations a second, and third and final time. Being as there were no further nominations Martin Sorensen was declared Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

Then, Chief G. Abela called for nominations from the floor for the position of Vice Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission. M. Sorensen nominated Wanda Osburne-Campbell for Vice Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission. W. Osburne-Campbell accepted the nomination. Chief G. Abela called for further nominations a second, and third and final time. Being as there were no further nominations Wanda Osburne-Campbell was declared the Vice Chair of the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

Chief G. Abela turned the meeting over to Chair Sorensen at 4:35 pm for the remainder of the meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Chair Sorensen inquired if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda, and there were none.

RES. 1/2021 MOVED by W. Osburne-Campbell that the Taber Municipal Police Commission adopts the Agenda, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Taber Municipal Police Commission: November 25, 2020

RES. 2/2021 MOVED by J. MacDonald that the Taber Municipal Police Commission adopts the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 25, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Taber Municipal Police Commission: December 22, 2020

RES. 3/2021 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that The Taber Municipal Police Commission adopts the minutes of the Special Meeting held on December 22, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None.

ACTION ITEMS

Setting Regular Meetings Date 2021

Chair Sorensen noted that Commission meetings have traditionally been held on the third Wednesday of each month. Because it was the first meeting of the year, commission members were requested to confirm meeting dates for the 2021 year.

RES. 4/2021 MOVED by D. Remfert that the Taber Municipal Police Commission sets the schedule of the Regular Meetings of the Taber Municipal Police Commission for 2021 to be the 3rd Wednesday of each month, except in 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

Appointment of Head for the Purposes of the FOIPP Act

In accordance with the Town of Taber FOIPP Bylaw 12-99, it is recognized that the Taber Municipal Police Commission, will by resolution, appoint a person as head for the purposes of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

RES. 5/2021 MOVED by Councillor Brewin moved that the Taber Municipal Police Commission appoints the Chair as the head for the purposes of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

Taber Municipal Police Commission Financial Information

Chief G. Abela provided a amended financial statements for information for both November 30, 2020 – Final, and December 21, 2020 - Interim

RES. 6/2021 MOVED by W. Osburne-Campbell that the Taber Municipal Police Commission accepts the Financial Information of November 30, 2020 – Final and December 31, 2020 - Interim for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Taber Police Service Strategic Plan 2021-2026

Chief G. Abela presented the draft Taber Police Service Strategic Plan for the Commission's review and endorsement in accordance with the *Police Act*.

At this time, Chair Sorensen requested more information on a Community Awareness Priority to develop a community camera registry. Chief G. Abela reported that camera use in policing is become more widely used. He explained more about how the program would work and the benefits.

RES. 7/2021 MOVED by J. MacDonald that the Taber Municipal Police Commission endorses the Taber Police Service Strategic Plan 2021-2026 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5/2021

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

Chief of Police Report to the Commission

Chief G. Abela presented the Chief of Police Report to the Commission.

In discussion related to the report, it was requested that a crime analysis showing a five year trend be provided for the Commission to review.

RES. 8/2021 MOVED by D. Remfert that The Taber Municipal Police Commission accepts the Chief of Police and Community Standards Reports for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Complaints Director Report

Chief G. Abela noted that no official report was provided and he is aware that there have not been any complaints.

RES. 9/2021 MOVED BY Councillor Strojwas that The Taber Municipal Police Commission accepts the Public Complaints Director (PCD) report for information purposes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commission Member Reports (Verbal)

The commission members provided their verbal reports.

RES. 10/2021 MOVED by T. Zucht that The Taber Municipal Police Commission accepts the Commission Member Reports for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

None.

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ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

MEDIA INQUIRIES

None.

- RES. 11/2021 MOVED by Councillor Brewin that the Taber Municipal Police Commission moves into Closed Session to prevent the disclosure of:
- Position, plans, procedures, criteria or instructions developed for the purpose of contractual or other negotiations by or on behalf of the Government of Alberta or public body, or considerations that relate to those negotiations in accordance with Section 24(1) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:07 PM

CLOSED SESSION

- 1) **Chief of Police Closed Session Report Closed Session to prevent disclosure of positions, plans, procedures, criteria or instructions developed for the purpose of contractual or other negotiations by or on behalf of the Government of Alberta or a public body, or considerations that relate to those negotiations in accordance with Section 24(1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.**

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance for Closed Session Agenda Item 8.1) Chief of Police Closed Session Report: Chief G. Abela, Chief of Police, Raeanne Keer, Administrative Assistant, and Tenille Miller, Secretary to the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

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CLOSED SESSION – CONT'D

- 2) Commission Action Plan Listing**
Closed Session to prevent disclosure of positions, plans, procedures, criteria or instructions developed for the purpose of contractual or other negotiations by or on behalf of the Government of Alberta or a public body, or considerations that relate to those negotiations in accordance with Section 24(1) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Pursuant to Section 197(6) of the *Municipal Government Act*, the following members of Administration were in attendance for Closed Session Agenda Item 8.2) Commission Action Plan Listing: Chief G. Abela, Chief of Police, Raeanne Keer, Administrative Assistant, and Tenille Miller, Secretary to the Taber Municipal Police Commission.

OPEN SESSION

RES. 12/2021 MOVED by W. Osburne-Campbell that the Taber Municipal Police Commission reconvenes into Open Session.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY at 5:20 pm

RES. 13/2021 MOVED by D. Remfert that the Taber Municipal Police Commission accept the Chief's closed session report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RES. 14/2021 MOVED by D. Remfert that the Taber Municipal Police Commission accept the Commission Action Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OPEN SESSION – CONT'D

RES. 15/2021 MOVED by J. MacDonald that a subcommittee be created to complete the Chief's Performance Appraisal. The subcommittee will consist of the following individuals Chair Sorensen, D. Remfert, T. Zucht, and J. MacDonald.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLOSE OF MEETING

RES. 16/2021 MOVED by W. Osburne-Campbell that the Regular Meeting of the Taber Municipal Police Commission is hereby closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AT 5:21 PM



CHAIR



SECRETARY, TABER MUNICIPAL POLICE COMMISSION

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