

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH**

**Minutes of the REGULAR POLICE BOARD MEETING  
February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 9:00 A.M.  
Central Saanich Municipal Council Chambers**

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**PRESENT**

Chair: John Currie  
Board Members: Cathie Ounsted  
Steven Garner  
Andrew Harcombe  
Chief Constable: Paul Hames  
Administrator: Gary Nason

**GUESTS:**

Sgt. Dillon Sahota CSPA  
Cst. Janis Jean, CSPA  
Cst. Paul Brailey, CSPA  
Cst. Andy Duke, CSPA  
Chief Ron French, CSVFD  
Mr. Rick Ellis

**REGRETS:**

Mayor Jack Mar

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

06.08 MOVED BY CATHIE OUNSTED  
SECONDED BY STEVEN GARNER  
*That the agenda be approved as amended.*  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

Ms. Ounsted pointed out that Mr. Harcombe was not in attendance at the January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 and therefore his name should be replaced with Mr. John Currie who moved Motion No. 01.08.

07.08 MOVED BY STEVEN GARNER  
SECONDED BY CATHIE OUNSTED  
*That the minutes of the Police Board Meeting held January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 be adopted as amended.*  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Strategic Planning.**

Mr. Garner introduced Mr. Rick Ellis, who was in attendance to offer the Board an outline of his Strategic Action Plan. After providing the Board with his resume, Mr. Ellis spoke on his background and his accomplishments. He gave the Board an overview of the CSPB Review of Strategic Action Plan, Draft for Discussion. A lengthy discussion took place in relation to Police Board Strategic Plan versus Operational Strategic Plan. This item will be brought back to the next meeting for further discussion.

**2. Board Composition.**

Mr. Garner advised that Police Services has requested correspondence be forwarded to them stating that the Central Saanich Police Board wishes to expand the Board to seven members. Mr. Currie suggested that the motion that was passed recently in relation to expanding the Board be included in the letter and Mr. Harcombe felt that the reasons for the request also be included. A lengthy discussion took place in relation to skill sets and background the potential Board members should have. It was requested that a letter signed by the Chair, requesting an increase of two additional Police Board members quoting Motion No. 52.07, and that Police Services also be advised that additional correspondence will be forwarded outlining the reasons for the increase and ideal skill sets required. The Board will review CSPB Policy No. 19 and a second letter will be forwarded. Ms. Ounsted felt a Committee Meeting should take place prior to the next meeting to discuss the contents of the second letter.

Ms. Trudeau will contact members via email to arrange a time and date for the meeting.

**3. Brentwood Bay Traffic Committee.**

Mr. Currie spoke briefly on the Interim Report received from the Traffic Committee at the last Board meeting. A brief discussion ensued. It was felt that this item is not a Police Board issue, however it will be brought back to the next Board meeting for further discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Communications Centre.**

Chief Hames indicated that the CSPA has asked that they speak to the Board on the Communications Centre issue.

President Dillon Sahota advised that Chief Hames had recently met with the dispatchers and Union Executive to inform them of the Board's decision to outsource the Communications Centre. He felt that the CSPA would have liked to have some input. As this item is currently an In Camera Agenda item, a discussion ensued as to whether this item should be taken out of In Camera.

08.08

MOVED BY ANDREW HARCOMBE  
SECONDED BY CATHIE OUNSTED

*That the Communications Centre be taken out of the In Camera agenda and placed in the Regular Police Board Meeting.*

CARRIED UANIMOUSLY

Mr. Garner advised that the first part of this initiative was that the configuration of the Comm Centre, in its current form, has the potential risk for a liability situation. Additionally, it is known that the Solicitor General has indicated that dispatch service in the capital region will be regionalized and CSPS is one of the services that is earmarked to be regionalized, and if it wasn't addressed, we would be forced to address it. Also, the cost factor to manage the Comm Centre compared to the cost to regionalize it is a consideration.

Mr. Sahota advised that it would have been helpful if members were included in the process and allowed to express their opinion prior to any decisions being made.

Chief Hames advised the Board that they had not yet received the business plan in relation to the Comm Centre which will address all relevant issues.

A continuing question and answer period took place. It was decided that further concerns from the CSPA should be addressed to the Chief Constable and that the Chief Constable bring the concerns forward to the Board.

**2. Finance Report / Human Resources Report.**

Chief Hames advised that budget numbers have not yet been entered into the system, therefore he did the report manually.

He indicated that there was nothing to report under Human Resources or Police Act.

**COMMENDATION**

**Received for general information.**

1. Correspondence from Ms. Sue Klokeid and family.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Received for general information.**

1. Equitable Police Funding – George F. Ferguson, Mayor, City of Abbotsford.
2. Equitable Police Funding – Mayor Jack Mar, Chair, Central Saanich Police Board.
3. Community Focus Newsletter – “School Officer Aims To Build Relationships”..

**ADJOURNMENT**

09.08        MOVED BY CATHIE OUNSTED  
              SECONDED BY STEVEN GARNER  
              *That the Police Board meeting be adjourned.*  
              CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CERTIFIED A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE POLICE BOARD MEETING, HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008.**

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MAYOR JACK MAR  
CHAIR OF THE POLICE BOARD

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ELIZABETH TRUDEAU  
RECORDING SECRETARY