

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH

**Minutes of the REGULAR POLICE BOARD MEETING
March 13th, 2008 at 9:00 A.M.
Central Saanich Municipal Council Chambers**

PRESENT

Chair: Jack Mar
Board Members: Steven Garner
Andrew Harcombe
John Currie
Chief Constable: Paul Hames

GUESTS:

Cst. Janis Jean, CSPA
Cst. Dave Glancie
Mr. Wayne Watkins
Ms. Elizabeth Chambers

REGRETS:

Deputy Chief : Deputy Chief Pecknold
Board Member: Cathie Ounsted

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

10.08 MOVED BY JOHN CURRIE
SECONDED BY STEVEN GARNER
That the agenda be approved.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

11.08 MOVED BY ANDREW HARCOMBE
SECONDED BY JOHN CURRIE
That the minutes of the Police Board Meeting held February 14th, 2008 be adopted.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS

1. Traffic Committee.

Chief Hames advised that members of the Traffic Committee were in attendance to speak to the Board in relation to the Interim Report that was provided at the January meeting. Mr. Currie advised that the Board has reviewed all the documentation and the correspondence that has been provided and feel that this is not an issue for the Police Board and that it should be referred to Council for action.

The original motion was amended to include "without recommendation". This was done as a friendly amendment agreed to by the Mover and Seconder.

- 12.08 MOVED BY JOHN CURRIE
 SECONDED BY ANDREW HARCOTMBE
 *That this matter be referred, **without recommendation**, to Central Saanich Council for action in response to the request of the traffic committee.*
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Watkins expressed some frustration as to the process and why this is not a Police Board matter. A lengthy discussion ensued.

2. Strategic Planning.

Mr. Garner advised that he had spoken to Mr. Ellis about the Board's approach to the strategic planning. He suggested that this be put on hold until the after the election in November and that it be placed on the December Police Board agenda. After a brief discussion it was decided that this item would be put on hold.

3. Communications.

Chief Hames gave the Board an update on the outsourcing of the Comm Centre. He advised that the CSPA, by unanimous vote, are supportive of the process. Chief Hames referred to the handout explaining that a committee of volunteers had been struck headed up by the project manager, Sgt. Teague. The group met recently and will meet again for further discussions.

The Chief expected regular updates as to the progress of the committee and the membership will also receive regular updates. He explained that CSPA is having discussions with the RCMP, as well as Saanich PD, as possible providers of our dispatch service.

Mr. Garner thanked the Association for their support and felt this was a very positive move for the entire organization.

Cst. Jean indicated that the Association is looking forward to being part of the process.

NEW BUSINESS

1. CSPA Policies.

Chief Hames referred to a memorandum from Mr. Bert Vermeer requesting approval for the policies identified in his memo. The Board would like policy no. OH030 removed from the list of policies for further review.

- 13.08 MOVED BY ANDREW HARCOTMBE
 SECONDED BY JOHN CURRIE
 That the Board approve the list of CSPA policies as stated in the memo from Mr Bert Vermeer, Policy Analyst dated 08.02.06 with the exception of policy no. OH030.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Dates for Joint Police Board / Council Meeting and Town Hall Meeting.

Chief Hames advised the Mr. Nason has provided dates for the next Police Board / Council meeting. He advised that that the next meeting would be a more informal format, possibly in a different venue and that one of the Police Board members would Chair the meeting. A brief discussion took place as to whether the proposed date of May 26, 2008 would work for everyone. Mr. Harcombe advised that this date would not work for him and that the following Monday would be fine.

Chief Hames advised that a date has been set for the next Town Hall Meeting. It will take place Wednesday, May 28th, 2008 at 7:00 pm at Keating School and Board members are welcome to attend.

3. Sponsorship Request – 2008 BCAPB AGM and Conference.

The Chair referred to correspondence from Baj Puri, President BCAPB requesting sponsorship at the upcoming BCAPB AGM Conference to be held in Nelson on May 2 – 4 , 2008.

14.08 MOVED BY JOHN CURRIE
SECONDED BY STEVEN GARNER
That the Board sponsor a coffee break in the amount of \$300.00 for the 2008 BCAPB AGM and Conference.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FINANCE REPORT/HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

Chief Hames advised that there was not much to report as the numbers have still not been inputted into the system.

Chief Hames indicated that Cst. Fairburn has left CSPS to commence a part time position at the Legislature and Sgt. Peter Snell will retire at the end of March after a long career with CSPS.

Chief Hames advised that he will be away for the month of April and that Deputy Chief Pecknold will be Acting Chief.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received for general information.

1. Mr. Bob Cole, Police Services Division – Addition of Two Police Board Members – Mayor Jack Mar, CSPS.

The Chair advised that he has not spoken to Mr. Cole personally. Mr. Harcombe advised that the Board Committee met on March 14, 2008 to discuss the reasons for the increase of Board members and skill sets required. Mr. Garner explained that he has yet to forward the recommendations to the rest of the Board to review. He will forward the recommendations to Ms. Trudeau as she will prepare correspondence to forward to Police Services.

2. Article in the Times Colonist – Victoria PD – BC PRIME.

A discussion took place in relation to the recent problems with BC PRIME

outages that Victoria PD experienced due to high call volume.

ADJOURNMENT

15.08 MOVED BY JOHN CURRIE
 SECONDED BY ANDREW HARCOTBE
 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, MARCH 13th, 2008.**

MAYOR JACK MAR
CHAIR OF THE POLICE BOARD

ELIZABETH TRUDEAU
RECORDING SECRETARY