

**LACOMBE POLICE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2017**

Attendees: Sonja Dykslag, Commission Member at Large
Robert Huff, Chair
Judy Lucht, Vice-Chair
Reuben Konnik, City of Lacombe Councillor
John Walker, Commission Member at Large

Regrets: Luke Bannis, Commission Member at Large at Large
Tom Tack, Public Complaints Director

Others: Chief Lorne Blumhagen, Lacombe Police Service
Crystal McKean, Administrative Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Chair Huff called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOVED by *John Walker* to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Adoption of Minutes

MOVED by *Judy Lucht* that the November 9, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No Business arising from minutes

4. Presentations

4.1 Pastor Neil deKoning of the Woody Nook Christian Reformed Church and Chaplain to the Lacombe Police Service gave a presentation on his role and the services he provides as a Pastor, a Chaplain, and as a liaison between the LPS and the community.

4.2 Chair Bob Huff presented Chief Blumhagen with the Solicitor General Commissioning Certificate.

4.3 ADM Sweeny was unable to attend today's meeting. The presentation of the Provincial Audit Certificate has been rescheduled to the February 7, 2018 Alberta Chief's Meeting.

5. Reports

5.1 *Chief of Police Monthly Report – August 1, 2017 – September 1, 2017

5.1a School Resource Officer Report and Statistics

5.2 *General Ledger Department Report/Payments - to March 31, 2017

5.3 *Public Complaints Director Report

Discussion Items / Action Plans:

Chief Blumhagen provided the Commission with an overview of activities, statistical information, and human resources. The following items from the above reports were discussed further:

- Constable Derek Lewko will be back from training in January. The service has also sent an offer letter to an experienced member who upon acceptance will start on February 15, 2018
- Chief Blumhagen will be away on vacation January 5-21, 2018
- The Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association (AACPA) is hosting their annual Conference May 8-10 in Edmonton
- The Alberta Rural Crime Watch 2018 Symposium and AGM will be hosted in Lacombe on February 16-17, 2018 at the LMC.
- Policing in rural areas is a hot topic and our local dispatch with reduced response times has had a positive effect in the community and has triggered conversation throughout the region.
- The Community Liaison position will be filled and implemented in February. This position will work with the community regarding fraud and other crime prevention strategies.
- Public Complaints Director received no complaints against the LPS.
- The budget is trending at 82% and revenues will finish the year with a surplus in excess of \$200,000.

5.4 Chair Report

Chair Huff shared a citizen's appreciation for the service provided to her by the LPS. The Solicitor General's office has agreed to provide an in service presentation on governance and the roles and responsibilities of the Commission possibly at the January 25, 2018 meeting. The LPC may invite Lacombe Council to attend the presentation as well. Vice Chair Judy Lucht joined the Chair and Chief Blumhagen at their regular monthly meeting on December 8, 2018.

5.5 Vice Chair Report

Attended meeting on December 8 with Chair Huff and Chief Blumhagen and valued the opportunity for training as this position provides back fill in the Chair's absence.

MOVED by *John Walker* to accept all reports (5.1/5.1a/5.2/5.3/5.4/5.5) as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Old Business

None

7. New Business

7.1 Correspondence from CAO

Correspondence from the CAO states that Councillor Jonathan Jacobson made a motion to

update the city reserve and equity accounts policy specifically as it relates to police services. The policy changes are currently under consideration. The LPC would like to be involved in the discussions.

8. Information

8.1 Next Meeting

Next meeting will be Friday, January 26, 2018 at City Hall Council Chambers.

9. In Camera

MOVED by *Judy Lucht* to enter *In Camera* at 10:0 a.m. to discuss the following items:

9.1 Personnel – 3 items

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by *Sonja Dykslag* to return to *Open Meeting* at 10:50 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

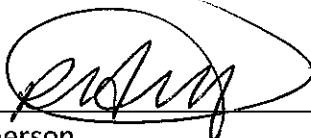
10. Action items arising from in Camera

MOVED by *Judy Lucht* to extend the administrative coordinator position with the LPC.

11. Adjournment

MOVED by *Sonja Dykslag* to adjourn the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Chairperson



Secretary

