

**LACOMBE POLICE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 18, 2018**

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

Regrets: Tom Tack, Public Complaint Director

Others: Chief Lorne Blumhagen, Lacombe Police Service
Ross Pettibone, Secretary

1. Call to Order

Chair Huff called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1.1 Oath of Office

Chief Blumhagen administered the Oath of Office for members of Police Commissions to new Commissioner Edith McKinlay.

2. Adoption of Agenda

The October 18, 2018 Agenda was accepted as presented.

MOVED by John Walker to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1 September 20, 2018 Lacombe Police Commission regular meeting minutes

MOVED by Judy Lucht to adopt the September 20, 2018 meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 No Business arising from minutes

4. Presentations

4.1 N/A

5. Reports

- 5.1 *Chief of Police 2018 Monthly Report: September 1, 2018 – October 1, 2018
- 5.1a *School Resource Officer Report and Statistics (September)
- 5.2 *General Ledger Department Report (2018-Period 9)
- 5.3 *Public Complaints Director Report: (No complaints).

Discussion Items / Action Plans:

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

- Presented a service directive consistent with other Chiefs to prohibit recreational use of cannabis by sworn LPS members and civilian staff
- To purchase cannabis roadside screening devices pending federal approval of technology.
- Update on mail theft
- Training for LPS officers in use of force
- Third party criminal record check/expanded services contract– discussions ongoing
- Request to align new candidate hiring with November recruit training classes in Edmonton.

MOVED by Sonja Dykslag to amend the September 20, 2018 Motion to recognize and align the hiring start date with the need to commence recruit training with EPS in November, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by John Walker that the Commission Motions be numbered commencing January 2019 within the meeting minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.4 Chair Report

Chair Huff reported on recent events of note to the Commission

- Met with Chief Blumhagen October 15 to review agenda & review events
- Attended the Recruit Graduation October 12 in Edmonton
- Attended the presentation of LPS Budget to City Council October 9
- Joined the Strategic Planning Session to review the strategic plan & suggest ideas – Corey Gish will provide updates
- October 5 emailed Karyn Popplestone for updates on Commission ILIAS Training Modules
- October 5 emailed Alex Behnke Provincial Public Complaint Director on a file and forwarded his reply to commissioners
- Various emails to staff, Chief, and Commission members.

5.5 Vice-Chair Report

Vice-Chair Lucht reported on activities to date, including information for Commission members on completion of online training modules, and distributed a training development status spreadsheet as an update to members.

5.6 Council Rep. Report

Councillor Reuben Konnik reported on significant Council business of note for Commission members.

MOVED by *John Walker* to accept all reports (5.1/5.1a/5.2/5.3/5.4/5.5/5.6) as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. OLD BUSINESS

6.1 Budget Update

The Commission discussed the budget draft presented to Council October 9, with a \$3,321,495 request for 2019. Potential amendments would be discussed following Council's November budget deliberations. The Budget included collective agreement wage increases for sworn staff and for support staff that were offset by revenue increases.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Next Meeting Confirmation

Commission members confirmed their next meeting for November 15.

7.2 AAPG/ALERT CAC Membership

Chief Blumhagen presented information from Terry Coleman, AAPG Chair, related to civilian representatives for the ALERT civilian advisory committee (CAC), a component of community engagement and public stakeholder relations. AAPG would recommend a total of 5 to 7 persons to ALERT for CAC membership. Representation from central Alberta would be beneficial.

7.3 Training and Development Goals

Vice-Chair Judy Lucht discussed training and development goals for each Commissioner.

7.4 LPS Grad Ceremony November 23, Edmonton

Chief Blumhagen requested confirmation from those attending the upcoming Edmonton recruit graduation ceremony in November.

8. INFORMATION

8.1 Proposed Process for Police Act Review

Received for information. Chair Huff, Chief Blumhagen, and the Public Complaint Director were registered for the October 30 to November 2, 2018 sessions for “Enhancing Trust, Legitimacy and Supports” in Edmonton. Commission members would be updated on progress.

8.2 Commissioner Appointments

Received for information. Council had reappointed Chair Huff for a one year term to December 2019 and Commissioner McKinlay for a three year term to December 2021. Further discussion related to member term expiries and planning for the chair and PCD position was recommended for the next meeting agenda.

8.3 Conclusion of Prior Matter

Members received confirmation of the conclusion of a prior matter re: Engel.

9. IN CAMERA

MOVED by *Corey Gish* to enter *In Camera* at 10:24 a.m. to discuss the following item:

Labour – 1 item (*FOIP Section 24*)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by *Corey Gish* to return to *Open Meeting* at 10:52 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. EMERGING ITEMS

10.1 LPC Policy Manual Annual Review

Commissioners recommended the policy manual review at the January meeting, also allowing appropriate time to complete the online training modules first.

10.2 Strategic Plan

A subcommittee Chaired by Commissioner Gish will be meeting today at 11:00 a.m. to continue discussions. The community survey draft will be finalized following development of the Strategic Plan.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by *Sonja Dykslag* to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

<Original Signed>

Chairperson

Secretary