

**LACOMBE POLICE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, June 13, 2024**

Attendees: Corey Gish, Chair
Cameron Penstone, Vice-Chair
Ken Kulak, Public Complaints Director
Elaine Willette-Larsen, Commission Member at Large
Sonja Dykslag, Commission Member at Large
John Soderberg, Commission Member at Large
Steve Christie, Provincial Appointed Commission Member
Cora Hoekstra, City of Lacombe Councillor

Others: Chief Lorne Blumhagen, Lacombe Police Services
Diane Piché, Director of Corporate and Protective Services
Tracey McKinnon, Senior Manager of Financial Services
Kathy Empson, Financial Accounting Supervisor
Jennifer Peterson, Secretary

Guests: Jessica Thompson, Director, Policy and Regulatory Development
Jasson van Rassel, Manager, Engagement and Change Management
Sandra Jacobi, Special Policing Advisor
Geoff Crowe, Special Policing Advisor

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Chair Gish called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

2.1. Chair Gish read the Land Acknowledgement.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3.1. The Lacombe Police Commission Agenda was presented for adoption.

(24.34) **MOVED by Steve Christie** to adopt the June 13, 2024, meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1. The May 9, 2024, Lacombe Police Commission meeting minutes were presented for adoption.

(24.35) **MOVED by Cameron Penstone** to adopt the May 9, 2024, minutes as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. PRESENTATIONS

- 5.1. Police Review Commission, Jessica Thompson, Director, Policy and Regulatory Development
Ms. Thompson and her team presented an overview of establishing a centralized and arm's-length body for receiving, investigating, and resolving complaints involving the police, including the RCMP, under the *Police Amendment Act (PAA), 2022*.

After the presentation, a discussion occurred on how police commissions can support and direct complainants to the Police Review Commission (PRC) and what police commission expectations of reporting should look like. More information will be shared with commissions as the process is developed.

The Police Review Commission Implementation Team left the meeting at 10:56 am.

- 5.2. Council Policy, Financial Reserves, Tracy McKinnon, Sr. Mgr. of Financial Services
Ms. McKinnon provided an overview of the Financial Reserves Council Policy, highlighting the sections relative to Lacombe Police Services.

6. REPORTS

- 6.1. Chief of Police Monthly Reports
Chief Blumhagen presented his report from May 1, 2024, to June 1, 2024, as information. The following item was highlighted:

- Body-worn Cameras, External Vests and the In-car Video policies are being finalized. The final documents will be shared with the Commission.

- 6.2. School Resource Officer Report and Statistics
The School Resource Officer's Report was presented as information.

- 6.3. Budget and Variance Report (Actual vs Budget 2023)
Ms. McKinnon presented the Lacombe Police Services and Victim Services year-to-date actual vs budget report as information. She confirmed that the Victim Services budget information has been moved to their own department for simplified tracking.

Ms. McKinnon and Ms. Empson left the meeting at 11:23 am.

- 6.4. Public Complaints Director Report
The Public Complaints report was presented as information.

- 6.5. Chair Report
Chair Gish's report was presented as information.

- 6.6. Vice-Chair Report
Vice-Chair Penstone's report was presented as information.

- 6.7. Council Rep. Report
Councillor Hoekstra's report was presented as information.

(24.36) **MOVED** by John Soderberg to accept reports (8.1/8.2/8.3/8.4/8.5/8.6/8.7) as information.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7.1. Public Complaints Director (PCD) Adjustments

Chair Gish provided an update on the process that has been put in place until the new provincial regulations are implemented.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Review of Lacombe Police Services Human Resource Plan

The draft 2024 to 2026 plan was provided to the Commission for review. Further discussion has been tabled for the August in-camera budget meeting.

9. INFORMATION

9.1. Call for CAPG Board of Director Nominations 2024-2026 Term

The information was shared should a member be interested in applying.

9.2. Assistant Deputy Minister's Letter

A letter thanking the Commission for submitting compliance with Alberta Policing Oversight Standards was shared as information.

10. STANDING ITEMS

Commissioners acknowledged standing items.

10.1. 2025 Provisional Budget Workshop (August 8, 2024)

Due to scheduling conflicts, the in-camera workshop has been rescheduled to August 1, 2024.

10.2. Approval of the Annual Provisional Budget is scheduled for October.

10.3. LPC Annual Work Plan Review

10.4. LPS/LPC Acronyms

Law Enforcement Review Board (LERB), Public Review Commission (PRC) and Alberta Designation Requirements (ADR) will be added to the list.

10.5. 2024 LPC Membership

10.6. The Next Meeting Confirmation

(24.37) **MOVED by Cameron Penstone** to cancel the September 12, 2024, Lacombe Police Commission meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The next Lacombe Police Commission meeting will be on October 10, 2024, in the Community Room at Lacombe Police Services.

11. IN-CAMERA

(24.38) **MOVED by Elaine Willette-Larsen** to enter In-Camera at 11:36 am to discuss the following:

- Legal (FOIP Section 17)
- Labor (FOIP Section 24)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(24.39) **MOVED by** *Cameron Penstone* to return to Open Meeting at 11:50 am.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

DECLARED by *Chair Gish* that the regular meeting be adjourned at 11:50 am.

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Chairperson

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Secretary