



PUBLIC MINUTES

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

**Thursday, January 19, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
Committee Room E, Ground Floor, City Hall**

PRESENT: Commissioner J. Custead, Chair
Commissioner K. Healy, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Mayor C. Clark
Commissioner H. Gough
Commissioner S. Greyeyes, via teleconference
Commissioner Z. Jeffries
Commissioner B. Penner

ALSO PRESENT: Chief T. Cooper
Deputy Chief R. Huisman
Deputy Chief M. Yuzdepski
SPS Executive Director M. Arscott
BPC Executive Director L. Nyirfa
SPS Solicitor A. Smith
BPC Solicitor S. Edmondson
City Clerk A. Tittermore
Secretary P. Walter

1. MINUTES/DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

1.1 Call to Order

The Board Secretary called the meeting to order on Treaty 6 Territory and the Traditional Homeland of the Métis People and confirmed roll call.

1.2 Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

City Council, at its Regular Business Meetings held on November 21, 2022 and December 19, 2022 made the following appointments:

Reappointed to the end of 2023

- Councillors Gough and Jeffries
- Jo Custead

- Kearney Healy

Reappointed to the end of 2024

- Brent Penner
- Shirley Greyeyes

The Board was requested to appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair for 2023.

Jo Custead was appointed Chair and Kearney Healy was appointed Vice-Chair for 2022.

Moved By: Commissioner Healy

That the Board of Police Commissioners appoint Commissioner Jo Custead as Chair for 2023.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commissioner Custead took the Chair.

Moved By: Commissioner Gough

That the Board of Police Commissioners appoint Commissioner Kearney Healy as Vice-Chair for 2023.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Chief Cooper introduced the SPS staff in attendance.

1.3 Confirmation of Agenda

Moved By: Commissioner Mayor Clark

1. That Item 1.5.1 - J. Adamson - Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. - Natural Areas Management Pilots - Small Swale and Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area be deferred to the February 16, 2023 meeting;

2. That the report Employment Contract - Police Chief be added to Urgent Business as Item 6.1 and that the agreement be “Confidential Until Tabled” until considered at this meeting; and
3. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.4 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By: Commissioner Healy

That the minutes of the public Board of Police Commissioners meeting held on December 15, 2022, be adopted.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.5 Delegations

1.5.1 J. Adamson - Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. - Natural Areas Management Pilots - Small Swale and Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area

This matter was deferred to the February 16, 2023 meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners.

1.6 Chair's Report

1.7 Chief's Report

Chief Cooper spoke to the following:

- Attended a number of Holiday and New Year events throughout the community.

- Over holiday season had seven different sobriety check stops that resulted in 29 drivers suspended primarily for cannabis consumption and three individuals criminally charged with impaired driving.
- The Saskatoon Crime Reduction Team concluded an investigation into cocaine, methamphetamine, money laundering and organized crime. Conducted search warrants on four properties resulting in the seizure of one home, \$80,000 of cash, several vehicles, jewelry, and drug paraphernalia. Two men and women were arrested and facing charges.
- The SPS Drug Unit conducted an investigation in drug trafficking that resulted in the arrest of three men and seizures of more than 20.2 kg of methamphetamine, 8000 g of cannabis, more than 700 oxycodone pills, a loaded handgun and more than \$12,000 cash.
- The SPS Guns and Gangs Unit worked with the SPS Vice and Human Trafficking Unit on an outstanding Canada-wide warrant for an individual who was wanted in Peel, Ontario in regard to sex-trafficking offences. SPS was able to make that arrest and arranged for transport back to Ontario.
- SPS Economic Crime Section arrested three men in Quebec in connect with the 'Grandparent Scams'.

Moved By: Commissioner Gough

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.8 Environmental Scan

2. CORRESPONDENCE/CITY COUNCIL REFERRALS

2.1 The Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners Amendment Bylaw, 2022 - Proposed Bylaw No. 9859

City Council at its Regular Business Meeting held on December 19, 2022, considered the above-noted matter and passed Bylaw No. 9859. The Bylaw was provided for the Board's information.

Moved By: Commissioner Gough

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 Identifying and Addressing Systemic Barriers - Public Engagement Pilot Update [CK 4500-1]

City Council at its Regular Business Meeting held on December 19, 2022, considered the above-noted matter. The matter was forwarded to the Board for consideration.

The following documents were provided:

- Excerpt from City Council Regular Business, dated December 19, 2022;
- Report of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services, dated December 5, 2022; and
- Report of the Strategy and Transformation Officer, dated December 5, 2022.

Commissioner Mayor Clark provided background on the matter.

Moved By: Commissioner Healy

1. That the information be received; and
2. That the Board submit a letter to The People Bridge Advocacy Inc. with an interest to meet as described in Appendix 3, paragraph 3.2.6 of the December 5, 2022 report of the Strategy and Transformation Division with a primary focus on youth engagement.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. ROUTINE/STATISTICAL REPORTS

3.1 Appreciation to the Saskatoon Police Service

A report of the Chief of Police dated January 9, 2023, was provided
Chief Cooper presented the report.

Moved By: Commissioner Penner

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 Saskatoon Police Service 2023 Business Plan

A report of the Chief of Police dated January 5, 2023, was provided.
Chief Cooper introduced the item. SPS Executive Director Arscott presented the report with a PowerPoint and responded to questions of the Board along with Chief Cooper.

Moved By: Commissioner Jeffries

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.3 Capital Reserve Contribution from Year End Operating Surplus

A report of the Chief of Police dated January 9, 2023, was provided.

SPS Executive Director Arscott presented the report.

Moved By: Commissioner Mayor Clark

That the Board approve the policy as outlined in the report of the Chief of Police, dated January 9, 2023.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.4 Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners - 2022 Strategic Plan Status Report

A report of the Board's Executive Director, dated January 19, 2023, was provided.

Board Executive Director Nyirfa presented the report.

Moved By: Commissioner Healy

That the Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners 2022 Strategic Plan Status Report be approved as presented and posted to the Board's website for public information.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. RESPONSES TO BOARD REFERRALS

5. OTHER

5.1 Appointment of Chair - Board of Trustees - Retirement Plan for the Employees of the Board of Police Commissioners

The above matter was considered by the Board at its December 15, 2022 In Camera meeting.

Moved By: Commissioner Mayor Clark

That Commissioner Jeffries be appointed as Chair of the Board of Trustees - Retirement Plan for the Employees of the Board of Police Commissioners.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. URGENT BUSINESS

6.1 Employment Contract - Chief of Police

The report was marked "*CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL TABLED AT THE MEETING OF BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS*". A wider distribution was affected at the time this item was considered.

Chair Custead presented the report.

Moved By: Commissioner Penner

1. That the appointment of Troy Cooper as Chief of Police of the Saskatoon Police Service continue upon the terms and conditions set out in the Employment Contract; and
2. That the Chair of the Board of Police Commissioners and the Board Secretary be authorized to execute the Employment Contract.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. BOARD INQUIRIES/NOTICE OF MOTIONS

8. IN CAMERA SESSION

Moved By: Commissioner Healy

That the Board move *In Camera* to consider matters exempt to the public under its Governance Policy No. 12.4, Section 10(2) of *The Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners Bylaw No. 7531*, Section 27(15) of *The Police Act, 1990*, and Section 16(1)(b) and (d), 21 and 28 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. RISE AND REPORT

The Board convened *In Camera* at 2:28 p.m. with the following in attendance:

- All Board members (Commissioner Greyeyes via teleconference)
- SPS Administration
- Board Solicitor Edmondson
- Board Executive Director Nyirfa
- City Clerk Tittermore
- Secretary Walter

SPS Administration left the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

Board Solicitor Edmondson left the meeting at 3:37 p.m.

Board Executive Director Nyirfa left the meeting at 4:19 p.m.

Commissioner Greyeyes left the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

Commissioner Mayor Clark left the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

The Board completed its *In Camera* session at 4:33 p.m. and reconvened publicly to rise and report, as follows:

1. That Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Custead and Commissioner Clark (ex-officio) be appointed to the Measurement and Evaluation Committee for 2023; and
2. That Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Penner, and Commissioner Custead (ex-officio), be appointed to the Governance Committee for 2023; and
3. That the information be received, and the submitted correspondence and reports and discussion remain *In Camera* under its Governance Policy No. 12.4, Section 10(2) of *The Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners Bylaw No. 7531*, Section 27(15) of *The Police Act, 1990*, and Sections 21 and 28 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

In Favour: (5): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

Absent: (2): Commissioner Mayor Clark, and Commissioner Greyeyes

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Commissioner J. Custead, Chair

P. Walter, Board Secretary