



## **PUBLIC MINUTES**

### **BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

**Thursday, February 16, 2023, 1:00 p.m.  
Committee Room E, Ground Floor, City Hall**

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

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

#### **1. MINUTES/DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

##### **1.1 Call to Order**

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

##### **1.2 Confirmation of Agenda**

**Moved By:** Commissioner Jeffries

1. That the letter from Fenton House, dated February 15, 2023 be added to Item 3.3; and
2. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour: (6): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

Absent: (1): Commissioner Mayor Clark

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **1.3 Adoption of Minutes**

**Moved By:** Commissioner Gough

That the minutes of the public Board of Police Commissioners meeting held on January 19, 2023 be adopted.

In Favour: (6): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

Absent: (1): Commissioner Mayor Clark

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **1.4 Delegations**

#### **1.4.1 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.

A letter from Julia Adamson, Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. dated December 8, 2022, was provided.

It was noted that Ms. Adamson was unable to attend this meeting and provided comments dated February 8, 2023.

**Moved By:** Commissioner Penner

That the correspondence be received as information.

In Favour: (6): Commissioner Custead, Commissioner Healy, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Jeffries, and Commissioner Penner

Absent: (1): Commissioner Mayor Clark

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **1.5 Chair's Report**

### **1.6 Chief's Report**

Chief Cooper spoke to the following:

- Two officers graduated from the RCMP Depot Division this week.
- Hosted the Provincial Elders Advisory meeting last week. This is an advisory group to the Ministry of Justice.
- Inspector Gresty attended a community meeting at the Emergency Wellness Centre to discuss SPS efforts to address community concerns. We have developed an initial response with our partners to have 20hr/day police presence. SPS is currently lobbying the Provincial Government to provide additional resources outside of our budget. In the short term SPS have used existing staff. SPS will continue to assess the situation.
- Several lunch and learns have been scheduled for Black History Month.
- Participated in a webinar from Mr. Anthony Olusola, Executive Director, Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc. (TAYFFI) regarding workplace diversity. The webinar was organized by the Human Rights Commission. Deputy Chief Yuzdepski will be attending to speak at a town hall of February 28, 2023.
- Participating in a town hall with Regina Police Chief Bray on March 9, 2023 to engage the African communities in Saskatchewan. The town hall will be facilitated by Rev Dr. Ali Tote.
- The 2023 Annual Diversity Breakfast is scheduled for March 21, 2023. The Board will receive formal invitations.

- Attending a National roundtable in Toronto with other police leaders next week to discuss national issues such as diversity recruitment, bail reform and receive updates on the ongoing work related to de-escalation of hate crime and mental health.

Commissioner Mayor Clark entered the meeting at 1:17 p.m.

Chief Cooper responded to questions of the Board.

**Moved By:** Commissioner Greyeyes

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**

### **1.7 Environmental Scan**

Commissioner Healy spoke on recent events in the United States and the use of body worn cameras. Chief Cooper provided comments regarding SPS use of body worn cameras.

## **2. CORRESPONDENCE/CITY COUNCIL REFERRALS**

### **2.1 Saskatoon Search and Rescue - 2022 Year in Review**

An email from Joel Karstens, President, Saskatoon Search and Rescue, dated January 21, 2023, was provided.

**Moved By:** Commissioner Penner

That the information be received and the Board provide a letter of appreciation to Saskatoon Search and Rescue.

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 SPS Traffic and CTSS Annual Reports for 2022**

A report of the Chief of Police dated January 23, 2023, was provided.

Chief Cooper introduced the item. Acting Superintendent Dale Solie was in attendance to present the report. Acting Superintendent Solie responded to questions of the Board along with Chief Cooper and Deputy Chief Yuzdepski.

**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**

### **3.2 Organizational Staffing Review**

A report of the Chief of Police dated February 3, 2023, was provided.

Superintendent Cam McBride was in attendance to present the report. Superintendent McBride responded to questions of the Board along with Chief Cooper.

**Moved By:** Commissioner Mayor Clark

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 Range Replacement Approved Capital Project Cost Increase**

A report of the Chief of Police dated January 24, 2023, was provided along with a letter from Fenton House, dated February 15, 2023.

Chief Cooper introduced the item. Director of Finance and Asset Management Earl Warwick was in attendance to present the report.

Director of Finance and Asset Management Warwick responded to questions of the Board.

**Moved By:** Commissioner Penner

That the Range Replacement Capital Project be increased by \$90,000 as outlined in the report of the Chief of Police, dated January 24, 2023.

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **3.4 2022 Business Plan Year End Report**

A report of the Chief of Police dated February 6, 2023, was provided.

Chief Cooper presented the report with a PowerPoint. SPS Executive Director Arscott responded to questions of the Board along with Deputy Chief Yuzdepski.

**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**

## **4. RESPONSES TO BOARD REFERRALS**

## **5. OTHER**

### **5.1 Board of Police Commissioners - Records Management**

A report of the City Clerk dated February 16, 2023, was provided.

Deputy City Clerk Sarah Sliva was in attendance to present the report. Deputy City Clerk Sliva responded to questions of the Board along with City Clerk Tittermore. Board Solicitor Edmondson responded to questions regarding LAFOIP.

**Moved By:** Commissioner Jeffries

That the Board of Police Commissioners accept the proposal to convert to electronic records and manage physical records in accordance with the City of Saskatoon records management policy and procedures.

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6. BOARD INQUIRIES/NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

**7. IN CAMERA SESSION**

**Moved By:** Commissioner Penner

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()(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**

The public meeting recessed at 3:10 p.m.

**8. RISE AND REPORT**

The Board convened In Camera at 3:24 p.m. with the following in attendance:

- All Board members (with the exception of Commissioner Healy)
- SPS Administration (SPS Executive Director Arscott via teleconference)
- Board Solicitor Edmondson
- Board Executive Director Nyirfa
- City Clerk Tittlemore

- Secretary Walter

Commissioner Healy entered the meeting at 3:29 p.m., via teleconference

Commissioner Mayor Clark left the meeting at 4:21 p.m.

SPS Administration left the meeting at 4:32 p.m. with the exception of Chief Cooper

Chief Cooper left the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Board Solicitor Edmondson left the meeting at 5:13 p.m.

Executive Director Nyirfa left the meeting at 5:21 p.m.

The Board completed its In Camera session at 5:35 p.m. and reconvened publicly to rise and report, as follows:

**Moved By:** Commissioner Gough

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

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Commissioner J. Custead, Chair

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P. Walter, Board Secretary