



PUBLIC MINUTES

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Thursday, June 20, 2024, 1:00 p.m.

Committee Room E, Ground Floor, City Hall

PRESENT: Commissioner S. Greyeyes, Chair
Commissioner B. Penner, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Mayor C. Clark, via teleconference
Commissioner H. Gough
Commissioner Z. Jeffries
Commissioner J. Lagimodiere
Commissioner J. Santos Ong

ALSO PRESENT: A/Chief D. Haye
SPS Solicitor K. McLean
BPC Solicitor S. Edmondson
BPC Communication Consultant L. Nyirfa
City Clerk A. Titemore
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 Lagimodiere

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

1.4 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By: Commissioner Jeffries

That the minutes of the public Board of Police Commissioners meeting held on May 16, 2024, be adopted.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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1.5 Delegations

1.5.1 Randy Pshebylo, Riversdale Business Improvement District - Degradation of the 20th Street West Commercial Corridor

A request to speak from Randy Pshebylo, Executive Director, Riversdale Business Improvement District, dated May 8, 2024, was provided.

The Board heard from Randy Pshebylo, Executive Director, Riversdale Business Improvement District, who provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

A/Chief Haye provided comments on the matter.

Moved By: Commissioner Santos Ong

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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1.5.2 Keith Moen, NSBA Saskatoon's Business Association - Recommendations regarding Crime and Safety

A letter from Keith Moen, Executive Director, NSBA Saskatoon's Business Association, dated May 10, 2024, was provided.

The Board heard from Keith Moen, Executive Director, NSBA Saskatoon's Business Association, who also responded to questions.

A/Chief Hays responded to questions of the Board.

Moved By: Commissioner Penner

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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Moved By: Commissioner Jeffries

That the Saskatoon Police Service report back on opportunities to implement additional online and in person crime reporting options including Waitwell functionality and online reporting for property crimes over \$5000 through Cop Logic.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.6 Chair's Report

Chair Greyeyes on behalf of the Board congratulated Deputy Chief Hays and Deputy Chief Pringle on their new positions. She acknowledged that it was Vice-Chair Penner's last board meeting and thanked him for his time and contributions to the Board.

Moved By: Commissioner Gough

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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1.7 Chief's Report

A/Chief Haye spoke to the following:

- Chief McBride attended the recruitment graduation at Saskatchewan Police College on May 31, 2024. Ten SPS Officers graduated;
- Out of 15 individuals interviewed, 11 of them will go to Saskatchewan Police College and an additional person who wasn't able to finish earlier in the year;
- Community Engagement Division hosted the 4th Annual Pride BBQ on June 19, 2024, proceeds went to LGBTQIA2S+ youth initiatives. SPS have also be asked to participate in the Pride Parade on June 22, 2024;
- Deputy Chief Pringle, along with other SPS members will attend and take part in National Indigenous Peoples Day events on June 21, 2024;
- Chief McBride's Swearing in Ceremony is scheduled for June 25, 2024;
- Provided an update on an operational plan that took place from June 13 to 16, 2024 in the Confederation Suburban area. Purpose of the plan was to deter, detect and investigate activities related to theft, public intoxication and suspicious activities in the 300 and 400 blocks of Confederation Drive. As a result, 11 arrests were made including mischief to property, public intoxication, and thefts; and

- An operational plan in the Criminal Investigations Division started June 19, 2024 and will run for two weeks to provide high visibility and enforcement in response to crime in areas that are experiencing an increase in violent crime. An update will be provided at a later date.

A/Chief Haye responded to questions of the Board.

Moved By: Commissioner Lagimodiere

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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1.8 Environmental Scan

2. CORRESPONDENCE/CITY COUNCIL REFERRALS

3. ROUTINE/STATISTICAL REPORTS

3.1 2023 Hate Crimes Unit Report

A report of the Chief of Police was provided.

A/Chief Haye introduced the item. Sergeant Tracy Shepherd presented the report and responded to questions of the Board.

Moved By: Commissioner Gough

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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3.2 Intimate Partner Violence

A report of the Chief of Police was provided.

A/Chief Hays introduced the item. Staff Sergeant Dale Amyotte presented the report and responded to questions of the Board.

Moved By: Commissioner Lagimodiere

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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4. RESPONSES TO BOARD REFERRALS

4.1 Options for Community Based Procurement

At its meeting held on April 18, 2024, the Board of Police Commissioners resolved that the Saskatoon Police Service review the findings and consider opportunities for social procurement such as community-driven outcomes purchasing and report back to the Board.

In this regard, a report of the Chief of Police was provided.

A/Chief Hays presented the report.

City Clerk Tittlemore responded to questions regarding the process for informing individuals who have previously submitted communications on a matter being considered by the Board. Going forward the Board Administration will implement a process to inform individuals in this regard.

Moved By: Commissioner Santos Ong

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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4.2 Saskatoon Police Service - Community Policing to Community Governance [GPC2024-0503]

At its meeting held on March 21, 2024, the Board of Police Commissioners resolved in part that the report of the Interim Chief of Police be forwarded to the appropriate committee of Saskatoon City Council for a response.

In this regard, an email from City Council's Governance and Priorities Committee, dated May 17, 2024 was provided.

Moved By: Commissioner Gough

That the information be received.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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5. OTHER

5.1 Appointment of Vice-Chair

With the departure of the current vice-chair on June 30, 2024, the Board was requested to elect a new vice-chair effective July 1, 2024.

Moved By: Commissioner Santos Ong

That the Board elect Commissioner Lagimodiere as vice-chair of the Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners effective July 1, 2024.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

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6. BOARD INQUIRIES/NOTICE OF MOTIONS

6.1 Notice of Motion - Commissioner Gough - Possession of Illicit Drugs

In accordance with Policy No. 12.8 of the Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners *Governance Policy*, Commissioner Gough provided the following Notice of Motion:

"That the Saskatoon Police administration provide an update report in follow up to the April 2022 and December 2022 reports regarding:

- Decriminalization for Simple Possession of Illicit Drugs
- Diversion for Possession of Illicit Drug Charges and other Criminal Code Offences."

Commissioner Gough introduced the item.

Moved By: Commissioner Gough

That the Saskatoon Police administration provide an update report in follow up to the April 2022 and December 2022 reports regarding:

- Decriminalization for Simple Possession of Illicit Drugs
- Diversion for Possession of Illicit Drug Charges and other Criminal Code Offences

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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(1)(b) and (d), 21 and 28 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

In Favour: (7): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Mayor Clark, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. RISE AND REPORT

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

- All Board members
- SPS Administration
- Board Solicitor Edmondson
- Communications Consultant Nyirfa
- City Clerk Tittlemore
- Secretary Walter

Commissioner Clark left the meeting at 3:53 p.m.

SPS Administration left the meeting at 3:56 p.m.

Board Solicitor Edmondson left the meeting at 4:21 p.m.

The Board completed its *In Camera* session at 4:30 p.m. and reconvened publicly to rise and report, as follows:

Moved By: Commissioner Penner

That the information 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 16(1)(b) and (d), 21 and 28 of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

In Favour: (6): Commissioner Greyeyes, Commissioner Penner, Commissioner Gough, Commissioner Jeffries, Commissioner Lagimodiere, and Commissioner Santos Ong

Absent: (1): Commissioner Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Commissioner S. Greyeyes, Chair

P. Walter, Board Secretary