

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NELSON

Nelson Police Board
MINUTES
Nelson, British Columbia
November 8, 2011

THE SEVENTH REGULAR MEETING of the Nelson Police Board for the year 2011 was held at the Nelson Police Department Boardroom, 606 Stanley Street, Nelson, BC, on Tuesday, November 8, 2011.

PRESENT: Mayor John Dooley
Director Susan Ogroske
Director Leona Ashcroft
Director Mike McIndoe
Director Barb Henry

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Wayne Holland
Deputy Chief Henry Paivarinta
Board Secretary Brita Wood

REGRETS: Director Barrie Taylor

1. ADOPT AGENDA

Moved by Director Ashcroft, seconded by Director McIndoe,
And Resolved:

That the Revised Agenda be adopted as presented with the following additions:

CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Moved by Director McIndoe, seconded by Director Ashcroft,
And Resolved:

That the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Nelson Police Board of October 4, 2011, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. PRESENTATIONS / AUDIENCE WITH BOARD

a. Dana Barter – Victim Services Presentation

Deputy Paivarinta introduced Dana Barter, Coordinator of the Nelson Police Victim Services Program.

Ms. Barter provided a comprehensive overview of the roles and responsibilities of the Nelson Police Victim Services Program staff. Dana and her co-worker, Jane Clark, provide service delivery to both the Nelson Police Department and the Nelson RCMP jurisdictions. They are “on call” 24/7 during the week days and alternate being on call weekends. Most of the other Victim Services in the province are paid for being “on call”. Both personnel are routinely contacted in their off-duty hours.

Being the victim of a crime can be a life altering experience. Regardless of how a person responds to victimization, the Victim Services workers treat all their clients with dignity and respect.

Ms. Barter described her Program’s involvement in large community disasters, including the 2004 Russell Creek avalanche which resulted in one fatality and 14 survivors. They also participated in the assisting those individuals displaced by the 2010 Kerr Apartment Building fire. She listed the resources they access to assist in the aftermath of such an event.

The most common day to day situations they face include domestic disputes, sexual assaults, harassment, break and enters, and neighbour disputes. Often those involved want to be able to talk about the problem, and Victim Services lend an informed ear, during which time, the police officers are more available to investigate the crime. Ms. Barter and Ms. Clark accompany police officers when notifying next of kin of the death of a loved one, staying with the client until family support arrives. The workers also make referrals to other agencies.

Victim Services workers spend a significant amount of time with Court duties, helping to navigate people through the Court system. The workers conduct police orientation with those scheduled to attend Court, explain procedures and advise individuals that the Court process can be very stressful. Many individuals expect a Court case to be resolved right away, but it can take years.

Mayor Dooley thanked Ms. Barter for her presentation and stated the community is lucky to have such dedicated people assisting victims of crime. Chief Holland thanked Director Ashcroft for asking Ms. Barter to speak to the Board.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

a. Board Conferences Costing Breakdown

Discussion: Board Secretary Brita Wood provided the Directors with cost estimates for the attendance of all Board Directors at both the BCAPB Conference in Saanich in February 2012 as well as the CAPB Conference in Victoria in August 2012.

Moved by Director McIndoe, seconded by Director Ashcroft,
And Resolved:

That the 2012 Provisional Budget reflect a reduction of \$2688 from the projected Police Board Travel line item, since travel to the LMD for Executive meetings is not necessary.

CARRIED

b. Video Conferencing Capability in Nelson

Discussion: Board Secretary Wood provided a breakdown of the availability and cost of video conferencing in Nelson, as well as which B.C. Municipal Departments have video conferencing.

Action: The Board Secretary will prepare a letter for Mayor Dooley's signature, requesting a meeting with Mr. Pecknold to discuss the feasibility of Police Services Division acquiring video conferencing capability to enable Police Board members to attend training sessions and executive meetings via such a communications method.

c. Operation Red Nose 2011 – The swim club has voluntarily cancelled their initiative for this year, with no explanation being provided other than they have had difficulty with the program's logistics this year.

d. Response from CACP re Conference Venues

e. Draft Agenda for Board Retreat January 17, 2012 – Best Western Vintage Room – 3:00 to 7:00 pm

Action: Table to December meeting to finalize Retreat Agenda.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

a. Chief's Report

Discussion: The Chief invited questions and comments pertaining to his three page written report attached to the Agenda package. The Directors brainstormed ways to ensure this information about the Chief's and Department's activities are made available to the public.

Action: The Board Secretary is to circulate Chief's Reports to Council.

Action: The Chief will make a formal invitation to Council to attend Regular Police Board meetings.

Action: The Chief to contact Public Works Director Allen Fillion to arrange a police traffic safety role during a City Works project.

b. Financial Reports

Financial Reports to October 31, 2011.

Discussion: Deputy Paivarinta reviewed the Budget figures for the Board's benefit. The budget currently sits at 19% remaining, while the optimal target for this time period is 16.6%.

Moved by Director McIndoe, seconded by Director Ogoske,
And Resolved:

That the Departmental Reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

a. Director Ogoske – Police Board Orientation Report

Director Ogoske attended a Police Board Orientation in Delta on October 29, 2011. As a result of each presentation made, Director Ogoske identified the following actions items for herself and her own professional development as a board member:

- ADM Clayton Pecknold on the Braidwood Inquiry Report - to read the report in full. Also recommended this for all Board members because of the significant implications to policing in the near future
- Saanich Strategic Plan procedure - investigate other Police Department websites to generate ideas.
- Sheila Sullivan re Board responsibilities of policy development – review the current Operational Policies and specifically the Risk Management policies of the Nelson Police Department.
- Vancouver Police Department – to participate in Ride Alongs in order to become informed about the duties of police officers.

Action: Director Ogroske will provide Director McIndoe with feedback on the training for him to relay to ADM Pecknold.

b. Director Henry – Police Board Orientation Report

Director Henry provided the Board with a written report of the information gathered by her attendance at the BCAPB Board Orientation session on October 29, 2011.

Moved by Director Ogroske, seconded by Director McIndoe,
And Resolved:

That the Directors Reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

- a. **Skunk Smell in a Gel**
- b. **Letters of Appreciation – Nelson Police Staff, Cst. Scott-Pryke, Cst. Turner, Cst. Holt - received October 19, 2011**
- c. **Letters of Appreciation – Dana Barter and Sgt. Grant - received October 20, 2011**
- d. **Side by Side Project Up and Running**
- e. **Thank you from Queen City Cruise 2011**

Moved by Director McIndoe, seconded by Director Ashcroft,
And Resolved:

That the Correspondence and Information be received as presented.

CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS/LATE ITEMS

a. 2012 Police Board Meeting Schedule

Discussion: The Directors requested a meeting in early February, 2012. Mayor Dooley will confirm his availability for February 7.

b. Cst. Markevich Extension of Secondment at IRSU

Discussion: Cst. Markevich is scheduled to rotate back from IRSU to the Nelson PD in 2013. The Chief requested approval for Cst. Markevich' IRSU secondment to be extended for an extra year, enabling him to attend an extensive Drug Recognition Expert course while deployed there.

Moved by Director McIndoe, seconded by Director Ogroske,
And Resolved:

That Cst. Markevich's assignment to K-IRSU be extended to May 1, 2014.

CARRIED

9. ADJOURNMENT/CONFIRM DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

Moved by Director McIndoe, and seconded by Director Ashcroft,

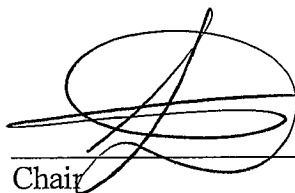
That the Seventh Regular Meeting of 2011 of the Nelson Police Board be adjourned, and the next meeting be held on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 beginning at 3:00 pm at the Nelson Police Department Boardroom.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

B. Wood

Secretary



Chair

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, December 13, 2011
Time: 3:00 pm - Nelson Police Department Board Room