

**DELTA POLICE BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING held Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at 10:15 a.m. at the North Delta Public Safety Building at 11375–84th Avenue, Delta, British Columbia.

PRESENT: Mayor Lois E. Jackson, Chair
Ray Carter
David Coulson
Gerald Kilcup
Deirdre Severide

ABSENT: Rahim Dadani
Sean Hodgins

ALSO PRESENT: Lyle Beaudoin Deputy Chief
Rich Drinovz Superintendent

MUNICIPAL
CLERK'S OFFICE: Diane Steinberger Police Board Secretary

Call to Order By consensus, Deirdre Severide assumed the role of Chair pending the arrival of Mayor Jackson, and called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m.

Announcement Chief Constable Cessford was not in attendance due to his scheduled appearance before the Justice Braidwood Commission regarding the inquiry ordered by the Attorney General re Conducted Energy Weapons (Tasers).

**Agenda
Endorsement** MOVED By David Coulson,
SECONDED By Ray Carter, THAT the Agenda for the Regular meeting of May 14, 2008 be received and adopted with the following addition:

D.02: BC Association of Police Board's Annual Conference

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A. RECEIPT AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Receipt and
Approval of
Minutes (A.01)** MOVED By David Coulson,
SECONDED By Ray Carter, THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 9, 2008 be received and adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

CHIP (B.01)

Presentation on the Community Health Intervention Program (CHIP) by Constable Simone. Also in attendance were Staff Sergeant Mark Butler and representatives from Delta Mental Health - Karen Harvey, South Delta and Renata Arnold, North Delta.

Constable Simone provided a powerpoint presentation which outlined the Community Health Intervention Program (CHIP). This program was developed in collaboration with the Fraser Health Authority to respond to emergency mental health crisis situations in Delta through a partnership with Delta Mental Health and support from other related organizations. It has been operational for six months and a crisis intervention team has been established comprised of one Delta Police officer and two designated Delta Mental Health professionals who attend calls for service together.

The CHIP program goals and objectives were summarized as follows:

- Establish an outreach component to identify and monitor people at risk;
- Enhance training to frontline personnel;
- Enhance relationship with the Fraser Health Authority;
- Liaise with other mental health organizations relative to providing clients with supportive services and/or follow up treatment;
- Enhance public and officer safety.

Chair Arrived

Mayor Jackson joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m. and assumed the Chair.

Constable Simone noted police are often the first responders to mental crisis calls due to the closure of many psychiatric care facilities and as such, are often the first contact for persons needing access to mental health care. A proactive strategy was developed to assist police officers in being able to appropriately respond which included specialized training for first responders and the introduction of case management plans for persons identified as a threat to themselves and/or the community. Case management plans ensure on-going risk and mental health assessments are conducted and the individualized information enables Delta Police to strategize response plans for future interaction with persons who have been identified as being at risk. They also ensure appropriate support resources are identified and contacted to provide assistance to the client as needed.

Four month statistics were provided, noting over 200 calls for service were received during this time period with over half of these calls requiring follow up service. The work flow of this program is being tracked and includes information on the number of new files, service calls made, hospital admittance, wait time for officers, outreach and referrals to different organizations.

One concern expressed was the lack of “secure” beds for mental patients-at-risk, noting Delta Hospital has none, and Surrey Memorial, the designated regional psychiatric hospital, has a shortage of beds for this purpose. It was also noted that once a patient is admitted to hospital, there is often a communication breakdown with the CHIP program.

Constable Simone noted future steps included in-house training for all officers, the production of an in-house resource guide, and a presentation at the Annual Police/Mental Liaison Conference (a subcommittee of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police).

Mayor Jackson thanked the delegation for the presentation, applauded the success of the program and advised other municipalities are considering similar programs based on Delta’s success.

Deputy Chief Beaudoin reported this public/police partnership represents a creative policing strategy that, in its initial stages, has successfully addressed the increased number of calls for service relating to mental health issues in our community.

-- Delegation
Received

MOVED By Deirdre Severide,
SECONDED By David Coulson, THAT the delegation be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. PRIORITY ITEMS

Delta Police Foundation (C.01)

Verbal Report on Delta Police Foundation

- The Delta Police Foundation has not met, therefore no report was provided.

Policies (C.02)

Policy Approval List dated March 2008

Supt. Rich Drinovz advised the policies listed in Item C.02 have been reviewed by the Department, Delta Police Association, CUPE and the Board’s committees, and noted approval has been recommended.

-- Motion Endorsed

MOVED By Ray Carter,
SECONDED By Gerry Kilcup, THAT the list of policies be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. REPORTS

Committee Reports (D.01)

Finance Committee

- Supt. Rich Drinovz advised the Department's newly hired Finance Manager, Bo Gill, would be in attendance at the next Board meeting.

Policy, Planning and Evaluation Committee

- The Board was advised June 12, 2008 has been identified for the Department's Strategic Planning Session to be held in North Delta from 8:15 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Members were requested to confirm their availability for this event.

Human Resources Committee

- No report

-- Verbal Reports Received

MOVED By Deirdre Severide,
SECONDED By David Coulson, THAT the Verbal Reports be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BCAPB Annual Conference (D.02)

BC Association of Police Boards (BCAPB) Annual Conference, May 2, 2008 at Nelson, B.C.

Deputy Chief Beaudoin and Police Board members Gerry Kilcup, David Coulson and Ray Carter provided a brief overview of the recent BCAPB Annual Conference held May 2, 2008 in Nelson, B.C. Members advised speaker Gordon Graham, an expert in risk management issues, provided an excellent presentation on risk management and best practices.

Deputy Chief Beaudoin agreed to research the potential of engaging Mr. Graham for a one day session on risk management issues, and will report back to the Board with respect to this matter.

-- Verbal Report Received

MOVED By Gerry Kilcup,
SECONDED By Deirdre Severide, THAT the Verbal Report be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. CONSENT AGENDA

-- Consent Items Received

MOVED By Ray Carter,
SECONDED By Deirdre Severide, THAT Consent Items E.01, E.02 and E.05 be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Therefore the following items were received for information.

- Operating Revenues/Exp. (E.01)** Summary of Operating Revenues & Expenditures for the Period Ending March 31, 2008
- Crime Statistics (E.02)** Delta Police Department, Monthly Crime Report for Police Board – March 2008
- Research on Tasers (E.05)** Briefing Note on the State of Tasers in Canada – prepared for the Canadian Association of Police Boards by S. Synyshyn, March 30, 2008

The following reports were removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion purposes.

- Traffic Enforcement Grant (E.03)** Correspondence from Superintendent of Motor Vehicles dated March 31, 2008 re \$12,000 Grant for Traffic Enforcement
- Motion Endorsed MOVED By Ray Carter,
SECONDED By Deirdre Severide, THAT the grant in the amount of \$12,000 from the Office of the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles be accepted with thanks.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Bail Reform Project Grant (E.04)** Correspondence from the Ministries of Attorney General and Public Safety & Solicitor General and Children and Family Development dated March 31, 2008 re Grant for Police Costs related to the Bail Reform Project

- Motion Endorsed MOVED By Ray Carter,
SECONDED By Deirdre Severide, THAT the grant in the amount of \$20,000 to support the cost of acquisition, installation and operating costs for videoconferencing equipment from the Ministry of Attorney General be accepted with thanks.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In response to a query, Supt. Rich Drinovz advised the pilot videoconferencing equipment was intended to streamline the present bail reform system by allowing judicial personnel to participate through a videoconference linkage, as opposed to being physically present at police detachments.

- Motion Endorsed MOVED By David Coulson,
SECONDED By Ray Carter, THAT staff be requested to report back at a future meeting relative to the success of videoconferencing, including any associated costs incurred by the Department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. CORRESPONDENCE (as of May 14, 2008)

Correspondence (F.01)

2 items of correspondence

-- Correspondence Received

MOVED By Ray Carter,
SECONDED By Deirdre Severide, THAT the correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G. INFORMATION ITEMS (as of May 14, 2008)

Information Items (G.01)

5 items of information

-- Information Items Received

MOVED By Ray Carter,
SECONDED By Deirdre Severide, THAT the items of information be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Multi-Tier Policing (G.02)

Information Item #1
Canadian Association of Police Boards Bulletin dated April 14, 2008
Page 3 of the Bulletin: Topic 2 – Multi-Tier Policing

--Motion Endorsed

MOVED By Gerry Kilcup,
SECONDED By Deirdre Severide, THAT the issue of multi-tier policing be referred to staff for research and report back at their convenience.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

H. ENQUIRIES, OTHER MATTERS AND NEW BUSINESS

There were no enquiries, other matters or new business.

RESOLUTION TO TERMINATE

Terminate

MOVED By Gerry Kilcup,
SECONDED By David Coulson, THAT this meeting now terminate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Delta Police Board has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 11, 2008 at 9:15 a.m. at Police Headquarters.

The meeting terminated at 11:59 a.m.

Lois E. Jackson
Mayor

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Diane Steinberger
Police Board Secretary