



Minutes of the Police Services Review Committee Meeting

Place: Council Chambers

Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Committee Members in Attendance: Chairperson Thomas Shears, Mayor Gregory Henley, Councillor Brenton Colborne, Councillor Carla Black, and Member of the Public David Hoffman.

Representatives of the RCMP-GRC: Inspector Matco Sirotic – Acting Northeast Nova District Policing Officer, Staff Sergeant Paul Vickers – Acting Operations Officer, Northeast Nova District, Staff Sergeant Cory Bushell – Acting North East District Advisory Non-Commissioned Officer, Staff Sergeant Craig Learning – Cumberland County District Commander, Sergeant Brian Cameron – Cumberland County District Operations Non-Commissioned Officer, Meaghan Stewart - Strategic Planning and Client Services, and Lauren Saunders – Strategic Planning and Client Services.

Representatives of the Department of Justice: Hayley Crichton, Executive Director - Public Safety & Security Division and Michele Matthews, Contract Administrator - Public Safety & Security Division.

Councillors Present: Councillor Crystal McNutt

Staff in Attendance: CAO Linda Cloney and Office Assistant Stan McDougall (recorder).

A quorum was present throughout the meeting.

1. Call to Order / Welcome and Introductions – Committee and Council

Chair Thomas Shears called the meeting to order at 5:59 pm.

A warm welcome and introductions were extended to all present in person and via Zoom.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mayor Henley and seconded by Councillor Colborne to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried

3. Approval of August 24, 2022, Minutes

Moved by Mayor Henley and seconded by David Hoffman that the minutes of the Police Services Review Committee Meeting for August 24, 2022, be approved, as presented.

Motion Carried

4. Business

4.1 RCMP Presentation

Staff Sergeant Craig Learning – Cumberland County District Commander, presented information in the RCMP Presentation titled, Presentation to the Town of Oxford.

A copy of this presentation is filed.

4.2 Policing Services Review Survey – information on question to be added

It was validated by Linda to the committee, for the purposes of the Policing Services Review Community Feedback Survey, that 60% of residential taxes currently go toward policing services.

4.3 Revised Terms of Reference – to be approved on September 26 Council Meeting

Agenda item placeholder for the next committee meeting.

5. Next Steps

5.1 Community Meeting Planning – Master of Ceremonies, presenter, information for presentation, keep the date (October 19 at 6:30 pm – Theatre) ... etc.

Linda Cloney will work with Hayley Crichton and Michele Matthews on the data for the presentation.

Mayor Henley recommended to the committee to elect David Hoffman as the master of ceremonies for the Community Meeting to provide the presentation and engage the community with the Policing Services Review Community Feedback Survey questions. David Hoffman accepted the role of master of ceremonies. Linda will work with David

on the final presentation once the presentation details have been added.

The committee agreed to including the survey with the next water bill. The survey would be posted online before October 19th to Facebook and the Town of Oxford website.

The committee agreed that a second meeting to discuss results of the survey would not be necessary. The results of the survey are primarily intended for information purposes of the Policing Services Review Committee recommendation process.

The Community Meeting date of October 19, 2022, time of 6:30pm and location of the Capitol Theatre in Oxford was agreed upon by the committee. The Policing Services Review Community Feedback Survey will be available in print form at the meeting. Results of the survey could be sent out at the time of the next water bill in January.

It was agreed that a second meeting will be necessary to present the recommendation that the committee will present to Council. Results of the survey could be discussed at that time as well.

The next meeting is agreed by the committee to happen after October 19, 2022, which will allow for information to come back from the DOJ.

6. Date and time of Next Meeting

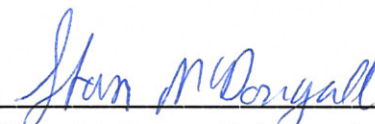
The next scheduled meeting is November 30, 2022, at 6pm.

7. Adjournment

At 8:15pm, it was moved by Mayor Henley that the meeting be adjourned.



Thomas Shears, Chair



Stan McDougall, Recorder

