# SOUTH COAST BRITISH COLUMBIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY POLICE SERVICES REGULAR MEETING TRANSIT POLICE BOARD

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Transit Police Board held on Friday, May 26, 2017 at TransLink Sapperton Main Offices, Room 423, 287 Nelson's Court, New Westminster, BC.

#### **DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Mark Reder, **Chair**Brad Birt
Bill Fordy, Assistant Commissioner, RCMP
Pat Gallivan
Sara Levine (*via teleconference*)
Adam Palmer, Chief Constable, VPD
Ali Pejman

#### **STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:**

Doug LePard, Chief Officer
Ed Eviston, Deputy Chief Officer
Barry Kross, Deputy Chief Officer
Taryn Barton, Board Secretary
Tara McPhail, Transit Police Service (arrived at 9:18 a.m.)
Lance Talbott, Transit Police Service

Prior to the call to order the Board Chair congratulated Director Fordy on his new position and presented him with a commemorative plaque thanking him for his service on the Board.

## 1. Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. The record notes that the meeting was duly constituted and that a quorum was present.

# 1.1 Consent Agenda

The following items were considered in the consent agenda:

- a) Agenda for the meeting of May 26, 2017;
- b) Minutes from Board meeting of February 17, 2017;
- c) Approved Minutes from the Governance Committee meeting of January 30, 2017;
- d) Approved Minutes from the Finance Committee meeting of February 8, 2017;
- e) Board Report No. 2017-10: Transit Police Q1 Financial Result (reviewed by Finance Committee for information);
- f) Compliments Report; and
- g) 2017 Calendar of Board and Committee Meetings.

# 1.2 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board of Directors approves or receives for information the following items on the consent agenda:

- a) Agenda for the meeting of May 26, 2017;
- b) Minutes from Board meeting of February 17, 2017;
- Approved Minutes from the Governance Committee meeting of January 30, 2017;
- d) Approved Minutes from the Finance Committee meeting of February 8, 2017;
- e) Board Report No. 2017-10: Transit Police Q1 Financial Result (reviewed by Finance Committee for information);
- f) Compliments Report; and
- g) 2017 Calendar of Board and Committee Meetings.

**CARRIED** 

# 2. Delegations – Community Remarks

## 2.1 Mental Health First Aid Training - Uultsje DeJong

This item will be tabled to the next meeting.

#### 3.1 Transit Police Professional Association

There was no report given.

## 3.2 Chief Officer Information Report – Chief Officer

The Board received a PowerPoint presentation from the Chief Officer on recent key activities of the Transit Police including:

- Neighbourhood Police Team and new safety partnerships with CMBC, Coquitlam RCMP and Port Moody Police
- Enterprise collaboration joint task force, enterprise training and awareness
- Safety on the system and vulnerable people on transit
- Intranasal Naloxone first responder kit had been successfully administered multiple times by Transit Police Officers

### \*9:18 a.m. Ms. McPhail arrived

Discussion on the fentanyl crisis continued and Director Palmer will provide a Vancouver Police Department report to circulate to the Board for information

- Sex offending continue to encourage reporting
- Phased Interview Training all front-line members will participate in training at the Justice Institute

- Legislation updates changes to Greater Vancouver Transit Conduct and Safety Regulations
- Fare Gates 1<sup>st</sup> Year complete, crime and safety rates reviewed
- Leveraging technology pilot project of SceneDoc which is a digital notebook/evidence collection and allows for real time information sharing
- Crime snapshot rates are down
- Slain officer from over 100 years ago honored
- CBC video filmed with Transit Police titled "A Day in the Life" shown
- Policing Urban Transit Conference Board Chair, Directors Fordy and Palmer were thanked for their participation
- Polar plunge to raise money for Torch Run
- Charity Golf Tournament getting bigger each year and raises money for Special Olympics

The Board discussed the recent Policing Urban Transit Conference and there was a request to have Sergeant Dave Olson present to the Board on Mental Health. There was also a request to bring the anti-terrorism information from the Conference to the Board and consider having it as a regular item.

The Board Secretary was asked to forward a copy of Chief LePard's presentation to Board members.

### 4. Other Business

# 4.1 Report from Chair, Finance Committee

There was no report was given.

# 4.2 Report from Chair, Governance Committee

The Board received an oral report from the Chair of the Governance Committee regarding recent activities of the Committee. The Committee deliberated at their last meeting about the transitioning of branding to 'Metro Vancouver Transit Police'. The Chief provided some background information and advised that the insignia will be updated as cars and uniforms are replaced. Ms. McPhail advised of the rationale for not formally seeking approval from Metro Vancouver for use of the name. The Governance Committee and the Board were supportive of moving forward, given the circumstances and history. The Committee also received an update on the changes to the liquor control regulations and Chief LePard provided a brief update to the Board.

# 4.3 E-Comm Board of Directors Appointment & AGM

The Board considered the re-appointment of Jack McGee as the representative of the Independent Police Boards on the E-Comm Board of Directors. In addition, Board

Members were asked to consider attending the E-Comm AGM on June 22, 2017 to vote the Board's share on any resolutions that occur at the AGM. The Board Chair advised that he could attend.

#### 4.4 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board of Directors:

- A. Approve the nomination to re-appoint Jack McGee to represent the Independent Police Boards on the E-Comm Board of Directors for the 2017-2018 term.
- B. Appoint Board Chair Reder to attend the E-Comm AGM on June 22, 2017 to vote the Board's share on any resolution or vote that occurs at the AGM.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4.5 Canadian Association of Police Governance Annual Conference – Montreal

The annual Canadian Association of Police Governance Conference is being held in Montreal from July 14-16, 2017. Board members were asked to consider putting their names forward if they would like to attend. Directors Levine will attend if no one else is available. The Board Chair would also attend pending scheduling conflicts. Director Palmer will already be in attendance in his capacity with VPD. The Board would like to approve the attendance and travel expenses of up to two Board Members. Directors were asked to liaise with the Board Secretary if they would like to attend and accordingly:

#### 4.6 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board of Directors approves conference and travel expenses for up to two Directors to attend the Canadian Association of Police Governance conference in Montreal, July 14-16, 2017.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5. Next Meetings

The next regular meeting of the Transit Police Board is scheduled for September 29, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

## 6. Closure

There being no further business, the meeting was terminated at 10:12 a.m.

Certified Correct:

Original Signed Minutes on File

Mark Reder, Chair

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Taryn Barton, Board Secretary