

**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, June 19, 2020 by video-conference.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Sara Levine, **Chair**

Marnie Larson

Murray Dinwoodie

Adam Palmer, Chief Constable, VPD

Ali Pejman

Stephen Thatcher, Assistant Commissioner, RCMP

REGRETS:

Shan Parmar

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Dave Jones, Chief Officer

Mike Cumberworth, Deputy Chief Officer

Barry Kross, Deputy Chief Officer

Oscar Allueva, Transit Police Service

Taryn Barton, Board Secretary

Stephen Crosby, Transit Police Service

1. Territorial Acknowledgment and Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and acknowledged that Metro Vancouver Transit Police operate throughout the traditional territories of the Lower Mainland Coast Salish peoples and is thankful for their hospitality on these lands. The meeting was duly constituted and a quorum was present.

1.1 Consent Agenda

The following items were considered in the consent agenda:

- a) Agenda for the meeting of June 19, 2020;
- b) Minutes from the Board meeting of April 24, 2020;
- c) Approved Minutes from the Governance Committee meeting of January 20, 2020;
- d) Board Report No. 2020-15: Q1 Complaint Statistical Report (reviewed by HR Committee, for information);
- e) Ministerial Order No. M156 Re-appointing Chair Levine;
- f) Correspondence dated April 29, 2020 from E-Comm re: Deferral of E-Comm AGM;
- g) 2020 Calendar of Board and Committee meetings; and

- h) Consent Resolution approved by the Board May 4, 2020;
“THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board of Directors approves the appointment of Marnie Larson to the Human Resources and Compensation Committee for 2020.”

Item 1.1(d) Board Report No. 2020-15: Q1 Complaint Statistical Report was removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered under Item 1.3

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:

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CARRIED

1.3 Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Board Report No. 2020-15: Q1 Complaint Statistical Report (*Previously Agenda Item 1.1d*)

The Board reviewed Report No. 2020-15: Q1 Complaint Statistical Report. It was suggested that Chart 3, on page 3, be amended to illustrate the comparison of first quarter results from previous years. Chief Jones will ensure the chart is updated to indicate first quarter results.

1.4 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board of Directors receives Board Report No. 2020-15: Q1 Complaint Statistical Report for information.

CARRIED

2. Delegations – Community Remarks

There were no written submissions from members of the public received.

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 Chief Jones titled ‘Transit Police Board Update – June 19, 2020’ and were updated on the following:

- Operating during COVID-19
 - Employee and passenger safety
 - Calls for service
 - Training and enforcement
 - Communications centre
 - Integrated Quarantine Act Response and Support Team – four Transit Police officers assigned to the integrated team
 - Recruitment impact
 - Recognition to health care and essential service workers
- Crimes against persons, crimes against property and ridership statistics

Chief Jones also provided an update on the following:

- Calls for police reform
 - This growing discussion requires immediate engagement and adaptability.
- Out on Patrol – Constable Ponsioen has led this initiative
- Indigenous Liaison Officer – Constable Rattray has been appointed to this new full-time position. A traditional ceremony was held earlier this week.
- A grant has been received for a year-long program to engage with Indigenous Youth

Chief Jones received comments and questions from the Board. Congratulations were expressed to Constables Ponsioen and Rattray for the important work they are doing.

Chief Jones provided a brief overview of the Metro Vancouver Transit Police Chief’s Community Council and was encouraged to make it more available for public awareness. Chief Jones will discuss with the Council Chair. The meeting dates will be provided to the Board for information, should they wish to attend.

4. Other Business

4.1 Report from Chair, Finance Committee

There was no new business to report.

4.2 Report from Chair, Governance Committee

The Committee Chair provided a verbal report on recent activities of the Committee. At the last meeting the Committee considered strengthening support to Indigenous Peoples, developing community engagement, moving forward with developing a new strategic plan as well as changes to law and policing issues due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

5. Canadian Association of Police Governance Nomination Notice

The Canadian Association of Police Governance is seeking nominations to their Board of Directors. Board Members were asked to indicate if they were interested in being nominated. At this time, a nomination will not be put forward.

6. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Transit Police Board is scheduled for September 25, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

7. Closure

There being no further business, the meeting was terminated at 9:42 a.m.

Certified Correct:

Original Signed Minutes on File

Sara Levine, Chair

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Taryn Barton, Board Secretary