

**SOUTH COAST BRITISH COLUMBIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
POLICE BOARD
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Minutes from the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Finance Committee meeting held Tuesday, July 27, 2021 by Zoom Videoconference.

PRESENT: Ali Pejman, **Chair**
Murray Dinwoodie
George Madden

REGRETS: Sara Levine, Board Chair, Ex-officio Member

ALSO PRESENT: Dave Jones, Chief Officer
Taryn Barton, Board Secretary
Pat Koch, Transit Police Services
Tom Smolic, Transit Police Services

1. Call to Order

The Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 8:17 a.m. and acknowledged that the Metro Vancouver Transit Police operate throughout the traditional territories of the Lower Mainland Coast Salish peoples and gave thanks for their hospitality on these lands. A quorum was present and the meeting was duly constituted.

2. Agenda

Approval of the agenda.

2.1 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Finance Committee approves the agenda for the meeting of July 27, 2021 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of May 3, 2021.

3.1 It was MOVED & SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Finance Committee approves the minutes from the May 3, 2021 meeting as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Crime Rate Statistics – Pat Koch

Following discussions at the last Finance Committee meeting, the Committee received a presentation from Mr. Koch on the crime rate statistics compared to the drop in ridership due to the pandemic. Mr. Koch outlined the analysis process including tracking crime

rates and incorporating variables to determine safety on the system. The rate of crime is based on 100,000 boarded passengers. Using boarded passengers as a metric is standard with other counterparts which assists when comparing metrics to other regions.

Mr. Koch shared his screen and provided an overview of the following slides:

- Ridership statistics from 2018-2021.
- Ridership and rates of crime per 100K boarded passengers. Mr. Koch outlined some of the factors contributing to the increase in rate of crime.
- Statistics specific to the rate of crime against persons.
- Statistics specific to crimes against property.

Mr. Koch outlined some of the factors contributing to the increase in rate of crime during the pandemic and noted that the rate is now starting to decline. Mr. Koch answered questions from the Committee and provided more information on examples of crimes against person and property, unreported crimes and total calls for service.

The Committee considered how best to provide the information to the Board for information. Mr. Koch confirmed that the information has been provided to the TransLink Board and is included on their public dashboard. The Committee recommended forwarding the slides to the Board and having Mr. Koch present.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Finance Committee recommends that the Board receive a presentation from Mr. Koch on the crime rate statistics at the next public Board meeting.

CARRIED

5. Any other items

There were no other items.

6. Next Meeting Date

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2021.

7. Closure

The Finance Committee meeting was declared closed at 8:40 a.m.

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Ali Pejman, Chair

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Taryn Barton, Committee Secretary

SOUTH COAST BRITISH COLUMBIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY POLICE BOARD GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes from the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Governance Committee meeting held Wednesday, September 8, 2021 by videoconference.

PRESENT: George Madden, Committee Chair
Murray Dinwoodie
Carla Hotel (*exited at 2:26 p.m.*)
Maureen Levy

REGRETS: Sara Levine, Board Chair, Ex-officio Member

ALSO PRESENT: Dave Jones, Chief Officer
Mike Cumberworth, Deputy Chief Officer
Taryn Barton, Board Secretary
Stephen Crosby, Transit Police Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:11 p.m. and the Committee Chair acknowledged that the Metro Vancouver Transit Police operate throughout the traditional territory of the Lower Mainland Coast Salish peoples and gave thanks for their hospitality on these lands and paid respect to their elders past and present. A quorum was present and the meeting was duly constituted.

2. Consent Agenda

The following items were considered in the consent agenda:

- a) Agenda for the meeting of September 8, 2021 (for approval); and
- b) Minutes from the meeting of May 17, 2021 (for approval, forward to the Board for information.

2.1 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Governance Committee approves the following items on the consent agenda:

- a) Agenda for the meeting of September 8, 2021 (for approval); and
- b) Minutes from the meeting of May 17, 2021 (for approval, forward to the Board for information.

CARRIED

3. Reconciliation (Standing Item) – Chief/Mr. Crosby

Board Report No. 2021-35: 2021 Semi-annual Update on Actions for the Police Board and Transit Police to Strengthen Support to Indigenous Peoples and Good Governance

The Committee Chair acknowledged his compliments to the Chief and his staff for all of the good work being done to strengthen support to Indigenous Peoples. Chief Jones thanked Mr. Crosby, Ms. Nielsen and Sgt. Simpkin for all of the work that has gone into Report No. 2021-35: Semi-annual Update on Actions for the Police Board and Transit Police to Strengthen Support to Indigenous Peoples and Good Governance. Chief Jones also recognized the work of Sgt. Simpkin and Cst. Rattray, highlighting a recent video that featured an interview in regards to a book written by Cst. Rattray's uncle about attending residential school. Mr. Crosby outlined some of the exceptional work and initiatives that Cst. Rattray and Sgt. Simpkin are doing and highly commended them both. The Committee Chair suggested having Sgt. Simpkin present on some of the initiatives at an upcoming Board Meeting. Director Levy shared some comments and noted the good work that Transit Police is doing with the Urban Indigenous communities. The Committee would like to amend the recommendation to seek a presentation from Sgt. Simpkin at an upcoming meeting.

3.1 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Governance Committee receive Report No. 2021-3: Semi-annual Update on Actions for the Police Board and Transit Police to Strengthen Support to Indigenous Peoples and Good Governance and forward to the Board (public agenda) for information and recommend that the Board receive a verbal presentation from Sgt. Simpkin at an upcoming Board Meeting.

CARRIED

3.2 Indigenous Training for Police Board

The Committee reviewed the curriculum for the 'Working Effectively with Indigenous Peoples' course offered through Indigenous Corporate Training Inc. Mr. Crosby shared some additional information and noted that both Sgt. Simpkin and Cst. Rattray have taken the training and found it very beneficial. Mr. Crosby outlined the cost of the online course and the time commitment. It is recommended that it be scheduled for early 2022 so that any new Board Members can take part.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Governance Committee forward the 'Working Effectively with Indigenous Peoples' course information to the Board for approval to be scheduled for the Board in early 2022.

CARRIED

***2:26 p.m. Director Hotel exited**

4. Board Report No. 2021-27: Hate Crime and Transit Police Response

The Committee reviewed Report No. 2021-27: Hate Crime and Transit Police Response. Chief Jones highlighted some of the excellent work done by Cst. Hanif and the Committee noted that it may be beneficial to have Cst. Hanif present to the Board at an upcoming meeting. Director Dinwoodie shared some comments on a recent roundtable event he attended. The Committee discussed the importance of actions and ongoing initiatives. Chief Jones provided an update on the development of a campaign with TransLink to discuss these issues and encouraging people to report incidents. The Committee would like a presentation on the Transit Police response to hate crimes to be considered for an upcoming Board meeting (public agenda).

4.1 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Governance Committee receive Report No. 2021-27: Hate Crime and Transit Police Response and forwards to the Board (public agenda) for information.

5. Board Report No. 2021-28: Anti-Racism and Fair and Impartial Policing Training

The Committee received Report No. 2021-28: Anti-Racism and Fair and Impartial Policing Training.

5.1 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Board Governance Committee receive Report No. 2021-28: Anti-racism and Fair and Impartial Policing Training and forwards to the Board (public agenda) for information.

CARRIED

6. Community Events - Standing Item

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, most community events have been postponed for the foreseeable future. The Chief's Community Council has two upcoming meetings and Director Dinwoodie will attend the September meeting and Director Pejman will attend the November meeting.

7. Governance Framework

The Committee reviewed the Transit Police Governance Framework. This is an annual review as per the Committee's Terms of Reference. TransLink's ministry should be updated to the Minister of Environment. The Committee discussed the governance structure and Chief Jones provided an update on the submission to the Special Committee on Reforming the Police Act.

8. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

9. Next Meeting Date

The Governance Committee is scheduled to meet on November 1, 2021.

10. Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 2:45 p.m.

Certified Correct:

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George Madden, Committee Chair

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Taryn Barton, Board Secretary