

**EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING**

**THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2012
Heritage Room, Main Floor, City Hall
Edmonton, Alberta
6:00 P.M. – 7:45 P.M.**

PRESENT

*Chair A. Yakeley
Vice-Chair S. Sandhu
Commissioner C. Palmer
Commissioner K. Tamaklo
Commissioner S. Polkosnik
Commissioner G. McCuaig
Commissioner D. Hudson*

*Mr. J. Rodgers
Mr. B. Sarabin
Ms. K. Carlson
Ms. C. Skaggs*

ABSENT

*Councillor D. Loken
Councillor T. Caterina*

GUESTS

*A/Chief D. Campbell, Edmonton Police Service
A/Deputy Chief D. Eastcott, Edmonton Police Service
Superintendent D. Veitch, Edmonton Police Service
Superintendent B. Hassel, Edmonton Police Service
Inspector K. Kobi, Edmonton Police Service
Inspector K. Galvin, Edmonton Police Service
Sergeant D. Demarco, Edmonton Police Service
Dr. Peter Silverstone, University of Alberta
Ms. Yasmeen Krameddine, University of Alberta*

*Members of the Public (13)
Members of the Media (8)*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Arlene Yakeley called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED *Commissioner Tamaklo – Commissioner Polkosnik
That the Agenda for the Commission's July 19, 2012 Public Meeting be approved.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Absent for the Motion: *Councillor Loken, Councillor Caterina*

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 17, 2012**

MOVED Commissioner Polkosnik – Vice-Chair Sandhu

That the Minutes for the Commission’s May 17, 2012 Regular Public Meeting be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Absent for the Motion: Councillor Loken, Councillor Caterina

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

MOVED Commissioner Polkosnik – Commissioner Tamaklo

That all consent agenda items be accepted for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Absent for the Motion: Councillor Loken, Councillor Caterina

5. **PRESENTATION**

5.1 **Mental Health Training – Dr. Peter Silverstone/Yasmeen Krameddine**

Superintendent Bob Hassel introduced Dr. Peter Silverstone, University of Alberta Professor, Department of Psychiatry and Neuroscience, and Director, Continuous Professional Development, and Ms. Yasmeen Krameddine, Ph.D. candidate who is working on this project as part of her thesis. He also introduced Inspector Kevin Kobi, and Sergeant Dave Demarco who worked on this initiative.

Dr. Silverstone provided a power point presentation “Novel Form of Police Training for Interactions with Mentally Ill Individuals.” He spoke on the following and responded to questions:

- *Goal Training*
- *Training*
- *Training Scenarios*
- *Training Results*
- *Indirect Outcome Measures*
- *Conclusions*
- *Next Steps*

Chair Yakeley thanked Dr. Silverstone for his presentation.

She introduced former-Commission member Dennis Anderson who brought his passion and commitment on mental health issues to the Commission. He was an advocate and a leader in this area.

(Dr. Silverstone, Ms. Krameddine, Inspector Kobi and Sergeant Demarco left the meeting)

6. **CHIEF’S REPORT**

6.1 **Violence Reduction Strategy**

Superintendent David Veitch provided a power point presentation on the “Violence Reduction Strategy – 6 Month Report 2012.” He spoke on the following and responded to questions:

- *The amount of violence*
- *Severity: Harm Reduction*
- *Perception and Fear of Crime (June 7/2012 Community Consultation)*
- *Community Action Teams*

Chair Yakeley thanked Superintendent Veitch for the presentation.

6.2 2011 Criminal Flight Incident Analysis

Inspector Kevin Galvin provided a presentation on the “Edmonton Police Service 2011 Criminal Flight Response.” A copy of his presentation was distributed.

He spoke on the following and responded to questions:

- *Criminal Flight Events 2007-2011*
- *Collisions/Criminal Flights*
- *Analysis*
- *Next Steps*
- *Mandate of Special Traffic Intervention Teams*
- *100 Worst Drivers Initiative*

A/Chief Danielle Campbell thanked the Commission and City Council for their efforts in the budget being approved to allow the Service to go forward with the Special Traffic Intervention Teams.

Chair Yakeley thanked Inspector Galvin for the presentation.

(BREAK 7:20 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.)

6.3 Key Issues

There was no report.

7. INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC

7.1 *Mr. Kiran Patel asked what the timeframe is if a complaint cannot be resolved within six months. Chair Yakeley explained the process.*

He also asked what training officers receive to handle domestic violence, as he felt that domestic violence against males was not being investigated. A/Chief Campbell explained the process and advised that all cases of domestic violence are investigated by the Service.

Chair Yakeley invited Mr. Patel to meet with Mr. Bryan Sarabin, the Commission’s Complaint Director, if he has further concerns.

ACTION BY

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

8.1 *Mr. Joe Rodgers reminded members that the graduation ceremony for Recruit Training Class (RTC) #124 will be held July 27, 2012.*

8.2 *Mr. Rodgers advised the Draft Provincial Policing Oversight Standards will come forward at the Commission's August 9, 2012 Special Meeting for endorsement.*

8.3 *Mr. Rodgers drew attention to the United Way of the Alberta Capital Regional Magazine "WE" that was distributed.*

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9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9.1 GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

There was no report.

9.2 FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

There was no report.

9.3 INTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

9.3.1 Professional Standards Branch Report – June, 2012

Vice-Chair Shami Sandhu advised that of the extension requests brought forward to the Commission for approval at its July 19, 2012 closed meeting

- 3 were no longer required*
- 1 was withdrawn by the Service*
- 1 was not granted*
- 5 extension times were changed*
- The remaining time extensions requested by Professional Standards Branch in its June, 2012 monthly report, were granted by the Commission in accordance with the recommendations contained in Attachment 1 to these minutes.*

10. EXEMPTIONS FROM CONSENT AGENDA

There were no exemptions from the consent agenda.

11. EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSIONER INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 Canadian Association of Police Boards (CAPB) Update – Commissioner Palmer

Commissioner Cathy Palmer reminded members of the 2012 CAPB Conference being held in Victoria, BC, August 16-18, 2012.

12.2 Alberta Association of Police Governance (AAPG) Update – Vice Chair Sandhu

Vice-Chair Sandhu reported that the AAPG is working on the Social Policy Framework and the Draft Provincial Policing Oversight Standards.

He and the AAPG Executive Director met with the Minister, Deputy Minister, Assistant Deputy Minister, Executive Director ASIRT, Chair of the Law Enforcement Review Board, and RCMP Commanding Officer between July 23 and 26, 2012.

13. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/CONCERNS/COMMENDATIONS

There were no comments/concerns/commendations.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Yakeley adjourned the meeting.

The Public Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

CERTIFIED as being a record of the matters dealt with at the June 19, 2012 Public Meeting.

*Arlene Yakeley, Chair
Edmonton Police Commission*

*Ms. Chris Skaggs
Secretary to the Commission*