



SAANICH POLICE BOARD
Public Meeting Minutes
Saanich Police Department · Kirby Room
Tuesday September 3rd, 2024

PRESENT:

Chair:	Mayor Murdock
Board Members:	L. Murray, G. Beckett, J. Cambridge, C. Morton, S. Allan
Staff:	Chief Constable D. Duthie, Deputy Chiefs R. Warren and P. Douglas, Inspectors, D. Underwood, D. Robertson, P. Smith, and D. Kowalewich
Recording Secretary:	A. De Medeiros
Regrets:	T. Stevens, S. Edwards and J. Ko

The meeting was called to order at 1436 hours.

1. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Ms. Beckett read the prepared Territorial Acknowledgment.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2024

MOVED by Ms. Murray and **SECONDED** by Mr. Morton: "That the agenda of the September 3rd, 2024, Police Board Public Meeting be approved as circulated."

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF JUNE 4TH, 2024 AND JULY 9TH, 2024

MOVED by Mr. Morton and **SECONDED** by Ms. Beckett: "That the minutes of the June 4th and July 9th, 2024, Police Board Public meeting be adopted as circulated."

CARRIED

4. CORRESPONDENCE

No items.

5. NEW BUSINESS ARISING

No items.

6. DIVISIONAL UPDATES

6.1 Patrol Division

Chief Duthie provided the following update on behalf of Inspector Edwards:

- Saanich Police Officers have seen an increase in impaired drivers in 2024, particularly in July and August.

- As of August 31, 2024, we have stopped 464 impaired drivers, nearly matching the total of 468 in all of 2023, with four months remaining in the year.
- From July 1st to August 31st, 2024, Saanich officers stopped 144 impaired drivers at counterattack roadblocks or other traffic stops. This represents almost one third of the year's total number of impaired drivers in just two months.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS (AS NEEDED)

7.1 Finance

Mr. Morton advised that the committee would be meeting to discuss the draft budget later in the month prior to the October 1st Board meeting.

7.2 Governance and Strategic Planning

No updates.

7.3 Stakeholder Outreach

Ms. Beckett advised the committee will be meeting to discuss the work plan and that she has been in contact with SPD's Communications Advisor, Jason Hallman to discuss Board website changes with the intent to bring recommendations to the Board for approval.

7.4 Human Resources

No updates.

7.5 BCAPB

Mr. Cambridge advised that the next meeting is scheduled for September 20th, 2024, and Ms. Murray would be attending on his behalf

7.6 CAPG

7.6.1 2024 Conference Summary

Mr. Cambridge and Mr. Morton advised that the conference was useful and insightful, and highlighted the following discussion topics and presentations:

- National Training for police board training through two researchers from Ontario, they will be connecting with BCAPB this Fall.
- De-policing – research findings-Greg Brown
- Critical Mass evacuation events – multi disciplinary events
- Shaping police culture as a Board responsibility
- Recruitment challenges panel
- Health Incentives to help attendance and retention- Durham Police
- Transforming policing to represent diverse communities – Peel

Mr. Cambridge appreciated Chief Duthie's presence, noting it allowed for valuable questions and discussions related to the Department's current practices and initiatives. Chief Duthie agreed with these sentiments.

8. OLD BUSINESS

No items.

9. ADJOURNMENT AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 1ST, 2024

MOVED by Mr. Morton and **SECONDED** by Ms. Allan: "That the September 3rd, 2024, Police Board Public Meeting is adjourned at 1500 hours and that the Board move to an in-camera meeting.

CARRIED



Chair