



MINUTES

Police Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 24, 2024 4:00 PM

Oak Bay Municipal Hall – Council Chambers

2167 Oak Bay Ave, Victoria, BC V8R 1G2

PRESENT:	Kevin Murdoch, Chair	Heather Cochran
	Christine Hall (regrets)	Ian Robertson
	Bob Plecas	Robert Richards
	Lawrence Lewis (4:21)	
STAFF:	Julie Chanin, Chief Constable (virtual)	Kris Rice, Deputy Chief Constable
	Paula Kully, Board Secretary	

The meeting was called to order by Chair Murdoch at 4:05 pm.

1. AWARD PRESENTATION

- DC Rice presented Exemplary Long Service Medals to the following members:
 - Cst. Emma Rutledge
 - Cst. Matt McNichol
 - Cst. Jennifer Gibbs (not in attendance)

The Police Exemplary Service Medal, recognizes police officers who have served in an exemplary manner, characterized by good conduct, industry and efficiency and have completed 20 years of full-time service with one or more recognized Canadian police forces

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Introduction of new board members Ian Robertson and Robert Richards (Bob Plecas introduced at the June meeting)

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED AND SECONDED; that the Agenda for the September 2024, Police Board meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was noted that Board Member Bob Plecas' background under Agenda Item #3 should not include working as an Assistant Deputy Minister and this should be removed from the Minutes of June 25.

MOVED AND SECONDED; that the Minutes for the June 25, 2024, Police Board meeting be approved as amended.

CARRIED

5. STANDING ITEMS

5.1. Report From the Chair

- Chair Murdoch as the liaison to BCAPB reported on the current work of the organization which includes involvement with the province's updates to the Police Act and developing a code of conduct for police boards. He noted that Police Services have been engaged with BCAPB's work.
- Conferences for Board Members to consider attending next year (2025):
 - o BCAPB Annual Conference in Delta May 7, 8, 9 2025.
 - o The Police Governance conference in Victoria in August 2025.
- Chair Murdoch provided an overview of the Integrated Police Units Regional Governance Council, which meets periodically to review and discuss integrated police units and associated budgets which impact local governments. The IPU-RGC is made of the Mayors and Police Leadership in the Greater Victoria Area. A meeting is being coordinated in October to discuss MYST and VIMCU.
- Oak Bay Council participated in a community-to-community event with first nations.

5.2. BC Association of Police Boards (BCAPB) Update (Chair Murdoch)

- Covered in 5.1.

5.3. Board Learning - Update of Police Board Orientation Manual

ACTION: Paula will send out the updated draft Manual to all board members Wednesday morning.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

6.1. Chief Constable's Monthly Update (CD Rice in CC Chanin's absence)

DC Rice provided an overview of the Chief's written report along with the following additional information:

- Plans for the new public safety building are underway. The Chief and Deputy have been involved with discussions in relation to a feasibility study.
- Parking lot changes to accommodate the building to house the ladder fire truck will include new charging stations for the police electric fleet.
- October/November is busy for training and includes the annual firearms training.

- The Chief and DC met with SD61 staff regarding a communications plan. SC61 advised that they had a draft but weren't ready to share it and provided no timeline.

MOVED AND SECONDED; That the Chief Constable's monthly update be received.

CARRIED

6.2. Overtime Reports for June, July & August 2024 (DC Rice)

MOVED AND SECONDED; That the Overtime Reports for June, July and August 2024 be received.

CARRIED

7. ONGOING BUSINESS

7.1. SD61 Ministerial Order

- For the benefit of the new Board Members, Chair Murdoch provided an overview of Oak Bay Police Board's efforts to work with SD61 since the removal of the SPLO from schools.
- The Ministerial Order, response from the School Board, and meeting request from SD61 were received and discussed.
- It was noted that there are only 6 weeks for 3 police departments and SD61 to complete a safety plan as per the Ministerial Order.
- The Board agreed that their position remains that *professional staff from police and the school district should be developing the safety plan to present for the Police Board and School Board's review and approval.*
- The Board agreed that they will accept the School Board's invitation to meet and are committed to working to establish a successful plan.
- Despite the removal of the SPLO, Oak Bay has maintained a community and youth liaison officer.

8. ADJOURNMENT

4:55 pm adjourned

MOVED AND SECONDED; That the regular meeting of the Oak Bay Police Board and go In-Camera (closed meeting) where the Board will consider confidential matters that deal with personal or private information as outlined in the Police Act, Section 69(2)(b) a matter concerning a person's financial or personal affairs and (c) a matter concerning labour contract discussions, labour management relations, layoffs, or another personnel matter.

CARRIED

Mayor Kevin Murdoch, Chair

Paula Kully, Police Board Secretary

October 22, 2024

Date