



**OPEN LETHBRIDGE REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
March 27th, 2013
4:00 p.m. – Lethbridge Council Chambers**

In Attendance

Doug McLaughlin, Chair	Chief McKenzie
Councilor Sherrie Duda	Inspector Ascroft
Alex Hann	Inspector Cove
Alderman Tom Wickersham	Inspector Kaye
Alderman Liz Iwaskiw	Dan Paskuski
Lee Cutforth	Kristen Harding
Marion Wiebe	Monica Elder (Recording Secretary)

Regrets

Sandy McKay, Vice Chair
Adam Zanoni
Inspector Catonio

- 1) Meeting Called to Order
 - The meeting was called to order by Chair, Doug McLaughlin at 4:03 P.M.
- 2) Approval of Agenda
 - **Motion by Alderman Iwaskiw, Seconded by Mr. Hann that the minutes be approved as circulated.....Carried.**
- 3) Enquiries by the Public
 - None
- 4) Minutes of the February 27th, 2013 Open Meeting
 - a) Approval of Minutes
 - **Motion by Mr. Cutforth, Seconded by Mrs. Wiebe that the minutes be adopted as circulated.....Carried.**
- 5) Business Arising
 - a) ALERT Update – Inspector Catonio
 - Inspector Catonio was not in attendance but Chief McKenzie advised of the continued success in targeting and disbanding criminal operations.

- Alderman Iwaskiw further advised ALERT's budget was cut in the Provincial budget. The board will meet in April to discuss.
- b) Building Expansion Update – Inspector Ascroft
- Project continues to move along. There was some wording clarification required in the contract so will not go before Council until April 2nd.
 - Currently in the process of hiring a Construction Manager.
- 6) New Business
- a) 2012 Annual Pursuit Report – Inspector Kaye
- Over the past 5 years there have been 53 pursuits. The increase in 2012 over 2011 is contributed to provincial guidelines as to what constitutes a pursuit – now includes where attempts are made to stop a vehicle, but they do not stop.
 - Policy states not to pursue for traffic violations. In most cases license numbers are obtained and charges are laid at a later time.
 - Most pursuits occur in the late evening, early morning and most of the drivers are male, ages 21-38.
 - Mr. McLaughlin thanked Inspector Kaye for his presentation.
- b) Calls for Service – Inspector Kaye
- Total calls have increased over previous year.
 - Slight increase in Selected Crimes, most notably theft.
 - Collisions have decreased. Traffic enforcement also down.
- c) Financial Report – Chief McKenzie
- Reporting period October 1, 2013 to December 31, 2012 reflects an overall surplus of \$32,900.
 - Revenue accounts generated a surplus of \$123,900,
 - Wage accounts generated a deficit of \$53,200. Contributing to the Overtime expenses deficit were 4 major cases, kidnapping investigation, internal training and Police Day.
 - Other Operating Expenses generated a deficit of \$37,800.
 - Vehicle Leasing and Maintenance accounts are in a \$65,500 deficit for the 4th quarter. Fleet breaks down their costs to LRPS as fixed rate costs, variable rate costs and ad hoc costs. All three costs are greater than anticipated in 2012. Mr. Paskuski and Inspector Kaye continue to meet with Fleet Services.
- d) Deputy Chief & Divisional Reorganization – Doug McLaughlin
- Police Commission member have been working for a number of months to look at the reorganization of the executive structure in the Police Service.
 - **Motion by Alderman Iwaskiw, Seconded by Mrs. Wiebe. That the Lethbridge Regional Police Commission direct Chief McKenzie to move forward on the reorganization of**

the executive structure of the Lethbridge Regional Police Service by implementing the position of Deputy Chief and reducing the number of Inspectors from four to three, and re-organize the areas of responsibility for the three remaining Inspector positions accordingly.....Carried.

- 7) Enquiries by the Police Commission
 - None
- 8) Enquiries by the Public
 - None
- 9) Meeting Adjournment
 - **Motion by Mr. Hann, Seconded by Mr. Cutforth to adjourn the meeting at 4:28 P.M.**