

LETHBRIDGE POLICE COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES

Wednesday, April 28, 2021
Council Chamber, City Hall
6:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

Commission Members:

Chair Rob Van Spronsen, Members Victoria Chester, Diane Conley, Dawna Coslovi, Rachel Hopf, Blaine Hyggen

Absent: Commissioner Bruce Thurber, Commissioner Belinda Crowson

Lethbridge Police Service Executive:

Chief Shahin Mehdizadeh, Inspector Jason Walper, Inspector Russell Lawrence, and Inspector Jason Dobirstein

Other:

Financial Manager Kamran Ali, Communications Manager Craig Albrecht, Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police Carmen Hellawell, Legal Counsel to Lethbridge Police Service Lee Cutforth, Clerk David Sarsfield

1. Meeting Called to Order

Chair van Spronsen opened the meeting of the Lethbridge Police Commission for April 28, 2021, the time being 6:03 pm.

2. Reconciliation Statement

Chair Van Spronsen read the Reconciliation Statement.

3. Conflict of Interest Declaration

Chair Van Spronsen called for a Declaration of Conflict of Interest. None were noted.

4. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Victoria Chester, that the Agenda for the April 28, 2021 Lethbridge Police Commission Meeting, be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

5. Standing Items

a. Criminal Investigation Division Update

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Blaine Hyggen, that the Criminal Investigation Division Update Report, dated April 28, 2021 be received as information.

CARRIED

b. Lethbridge Police Service Month in Review

Moved by Dawna Coslovi, seconded by Diane Conley, that the Lethbridge Police Service Month in Review Report for the month of March 2021 be received as information.

CARRIED

c. Support Services Division Update

Moved by Dawna Coslovi, seconded by Rachel Hopf, that the Support Services Division Updates, dated April 28, 2021, be received as information.

CARRIED

d. Monthly Compliments

Moved by Victoria Chester, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the report on the compliments received by the Lethbridge Police Service be received as information.

CARRIED

6. Reports

a. Criminal Activity Growth in London Road Neighbourhood

Moved by Victoria Chester, seconded by Diane Conley, that the report on the Criminal Activity Growth in London Road Neighbourhood be received as information; and

FURTHER THAT Kate Connolly and Ian MacLachlan be thanked for their presentation.

CARRIED

b. Police Commission Bylaw Status

No update from the City of Lethbridge on the status of the Police Commission Bylaw was provided.

c. New Hires and Promotions

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the verbal report on the new hires and promotions be received as information.

CARRIED

7. Committees

a. Finance Committee

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Finance Committee Report be accepted as information.

CARRIED

d. Website Adhoc Committee

Moved by Victoria Chester, seconded by Blaine Hyggen, that the Website Adhoc Committee Report be adopted as presented; and

FURTHER THAT the Commission accept the Proposal by Artragious with a cost of \$3,200 plus G.S.T. including first year hosting, with hosting cost of \$185 plus G.S.T. annually thereafter.

CARRIED

e. Alberta Association of Police Governance

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Rachel Hopf, that the Alberta Association of Police Governance Report be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

8. Inquiries from the Public to the Police Commission

There were none.

9. Closed Session

Commission Members Only Closed Session

The Lethbridge Police Commission met in closed session to discuss items pursuant to the provision of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Victoria Chester, that the Police Commission move into closed session, the time being 4:03 p.m., pursuant to provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Commission Only Closed Session adjourn, the time being 5:07 p.m.

CARRIED

*Commission Members
Clerk*

- a. Human Resources Matters**
- b. Governance**
- c. Complaint**

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Commission Only Closed Session Meeting discussions, reports, and documents relating to:

Human Resources Matters
Governance
Complaint

remain confidential, pursuant to Sections 20, 23, 24, and 29 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Police Commission proceed with the confidential direction provided during the Commission Only Closed Session.

CARRIED

Commission Members with Lethbridge Police Executive

The Lethbridge Police Commission, Lethbridge Police Executive and Staff Members met in closed session to discuss items pursuant to the provision of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Police Commission, Lethbridge Police Executive, and Staff Members move into closed session, the time being 5:15 p.m., pursuant to provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED

Moved by Dawna Coslovi, seconded by Diane Conley, that the Closed Session adjourn, the time being 5:44 p.m.

CARRIED

- a. Response to Minister Madu
- b. Professional Standards Unit Monthly Report
- c. Professional Standards Extensions
- d. Monthly Compliments
- e. Police Chief Report
- f. Governance

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Closed Session Meeting discussions, reports, and documents relating to:

Response to Minister Madu
Professional Standards Unit Monthly Report
Professional Standards Extensions
Monthly Compliments
Police Chief Report
Governance

remain confidential, pursuant to Sections 17, 18, 20, 23, 24, and 29 of the *Freedom and Information Protection of Privacy Act*; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Police Commission proceed with the confidential direction provided during the Closed Session.

CARRIED

Commissioner Blaine Hyggen declared a conflict of interest on the next item and excused himself from the discussion and vote.

Moved by Rachel Hopf, seconded by Diane Conley, that the following Extension Requests be extended to September 29, 2021:

Extension File No. 2019-085
Extension File No. 2020-006
Extension File No. 2020-010

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Extension Request be extended to June 30, 2021:

Extension File No. 2020-024.

CARRIED

Commissioner Blaine Hyggen rejoined the meeting.

Commissioner Belinda Crowson joined the meeting.

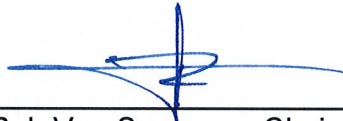
10. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 26, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

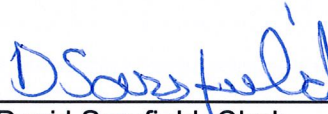
11. Meeting Adjournment

Moved by Belinda Crowson that the Lethbridge Police Commission Meeting for April 28, 2021 adjourn, the time being 7:20 pm.

CARRIED



Rob Van Spronsen, Chair



David Sarsfield, Clerk