



LETHBRIDGE POLICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 25, 2022
Council Chamber, City Hall
6:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

Commission Members:

Chair Rob Van Spronsen (**joined at 4:20 p.m.**), Members Diane Conley, Belinda Crowson, Dawna Coslovi, Rachel Hopf (joined at 4:15 p.m.), John Middleton-Hope, Noella Piquette (for Closed Sessions only)

Lethbridge Police Service Executive:

Chief Shahin Mehdizadeh, Inspector Jason Walper, Acting Inspector Leon Borbandy, Acting Inspector Mark Smallbones

Other:

Financial Manager Kamran Ali, Legal Counsel to Lethbridge Police Service Lee Cutforth, Media Consultant Craig Albrecht, Clerk David Sarsfield, Clerk Elizabeth Thompson

1. Meeting Called to Order

Chair van Spronsen opened the meeting of the Lethbridge Police Commission for May 25, 2022, the time being 6:00 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. Consent Agenda

The following Minutes were circulated for approval:

a. Minutes of April 27, 2022 Police Commission Meeting

Moved by Rachel Hopf, seconded by Douglas Thornton, that the consent agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Agenda for the May 25, 2022 Lethbridge Police Commission Meeting, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

6. Recognition

Elizabeth Thompson was recognized as the incoming Clerk for the Lethbridge Police Commission.

7. Inquiries from the Public

Ben Christensen inquired about the status of a Professional Standards Unit Investigation File 2022-014 that was registered on February 10, 2022.

8. Standing Items

a. Criminal Investigation Division Update

Moved by Rachel Hopf, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Criminal Investigation Division Update dated May 25, 2022, be received as information.

CARRIED

b. Support Services Division Update

Moved by Dawna Coslovi, seconded by Rachel Hopf, that the Support Services Division Update dated May 25, 2022, be received as information.

CARRIED

c. Field Operations Division Update

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Field Operations Division Update dated May 25, 2022, be received as information.

CARRIED

d. Monthly Compliments

Moved by Douglas Thornton, seconded by Diane Conley, that the report on the monthly compliments received by the Lethbridge Police Service be received as information.

CARRIED

e. Update on Lethbridge Police Service Action Plan

Moved by Rachel Hopf, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the report on the Lethbridge Police Service Action Plan be received as information.

CARRIED

9. Reports

- a. AAPG**
- b. CACOLE**

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by John Middleton=Hope, that the reports on the Alberta Association of Police Governance and Canadian Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement be received as information.

CARRIED

10. Committees

- a. Finance Committee**

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

CARRIED

- b. Human Resources Committee**

- c. Policy and Governance Committee**

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Douglas Thornton, that the key outcomes of the Strategic Plan be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

11. 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 John Middleton-Hope, seconded by Noella Piquette, that the Police Commission move into closed session, the time being 4:00 p.m., pursuant to provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED

Moved by Noella Piquette, seconded by Diane Conley, that the Commission Only Closed Session adjourn, the time being 5:25 p.m.

CARRIED

Commission Members
Clerk
Police Chief

- a. **Human Resources Matters**
- b. **Policy and Governance Matters**
- c. **Financial Matters**
- d. **Professional Standards**
- e. **Complaints**

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

Human Resources Matters
Policy and Governance Matters
Financial Matters
Professional Standards
Complaints

remain confidential, pursuant to Sections 17, 18, 20, 23, and 24 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

Moved by Rachel Hopf, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that Extension Request Files No. 2010-010 and 2021-123 be extended to November 30, 2022; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Extension Request File No. 2021-114 be extended to October 28, 2022.

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 John Middleton-Hope, seconded by Douglas Thornton, that the Police Commission, Lethbridge Police Executive, and Staff Members move into closed session, the time being 5:22 p.m., pursuant to provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

CARRIED

Moved by Dawna Coslovi, seconded by Rachel Hopf, that the Closed Session adjourn, the time being 5:57 p.m.

CARRIED

*Commission Members
Lethbridge Police Service Executive and Staff
Clerk*

- a. **Chief's Report**
- b. **Monthly Compliments**
- c. **Lethbridge Police Service Action Plan**

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

Chief's Report
Monthly Compliments
Lethbridge Police Service Action Plan

remain confidential, pursuant to Sections 17, 18, 20, and 24 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

12. New Business

- a. **Recognition of Retirees**

Moved by John Middleton-Hope, seconded by Diane Conley, that the Lethbridge Police Commission provide recognition in the form of a congratulatory card for the retired employees, both civilian and commissioned, of the Lethbridge Police Service.

CARRIED

13. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 29, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

15. Meeting Adjournment

Moved by Dawna Coslovij that the Lethbridge Police Commission Meeting for May 25, 2022 adjourn, the time being 7:12 pm.

CARRIED

Rob Van Spronsen, Chair

David Sarsfield, Clerk