



LETHBRIDGE POLICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 26, 2022
Council Chamber, City Hall
6:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

Commission Members:

Chair Rob Van Spronsen, Members Belinda Crowson, Diane Conley, Dawna Coslovi, Rachel Hopf, John Middleton-Hope, Douglas Thornton

Lethbridge Police Service Executive:

Chief Shahin Mehdizadeh, Deputy Chief Scott Boyd, Inspector Russell Lawrence, Inspector Jason Doberstein, Inspector Jason Walper

Other:

Financial Manager Kamran Ali, Strategic Communications Manager Kristen Saturley, Legal Counsel to Lethbridge Police Service Lee Cutforth, Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police Rhonda Morris, Clerk David Sarsfield

1. Meeting Called to Order

Chair van Spronsen opened the meeting of the Lethbridge Police Commission for January 26, 2022, the time being 6:00 pm.

2. Chair and Vice Chair of Commission

The Following were submitted as nominees for the Chair and Vice Chair of the Police Commission:

Rob Van Spronsen – Chair
Dawna Coslovi – Vice Chair

Moved by Rachel Hopf, seconded by Belinda Crowson, that Rob Van Spronsen and Dawna Coslovi be appointed as Chair and Vice Chair respectively of the Lethbridge Police Commission for 2022.

CARRIED

3. Reconciliation Statement

Chair Van Spronsen read the Reconciliation Statement.

4. Conflict of Interest Declaration

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

5. Consent Agenda

The following Minutes were circulated for approval:

- a. Minutes of November 24, 2021 Police Commission Meeting
- b. Minutes of January 20, 2022 Special Police Commission Meeting

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Doug Thornton, that the consent agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

6. Approval of Agenda

Moved by John Middleton-Hope, seconded by Diane Conley, that the Agenda for the January 26, 2022 Lethbridge Police Commission Meeting, be adopted as amended to include under New Business:

- b. Executive Director Position
- c. Governance Workshop

CARRIED

7. Recognition

b. New Hires

Community Peace Officer, Derrick Van Hienen, was introduced to the Commission.

c. Promotions

The following individuals were recognized for their recent promotions:

Sergeant Leanne Christos (Community Engagement Unit)
Sergeant Bryan Whelpley (Patrol Teams)
Sergeant Daniel Lomness (Traffic Services)

8. Presentations

a. HealthIM - Dan Pearson Hirdes

Moved by Douglas Thornton, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the presentation on HealthIM be received as information.

CARRIED

9. Standing Items

a. Criminal Investigation Division Update

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by John Middleton-Hope, that the Criminal Investigation Division Update Report, dated January 26, 2022 be received as information.

CARRIED

b. Support Services Division Update

Moved by John Middleton-Hope, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Support Services Division Updates, dated January 26, 2022, be received as information.

CARRIED

c. Field Operations Division Update

Moved by Rachel Hopf, seconded by Diane Conley, that the Field Operations Division Updates and the Lethbridge Police Service Month in Review dated January 26, 2022, be received as information.

CARRIED

e. Monthly Compliments

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

CARRIED

f. 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

10. Reports

a. Focus Initiative Plan Report

Moved by John Middleton-Hope, seconded by Douglas Thornton, that the report on the Lethbridge Police Service Action Plan be received as information.

CARRIED

11. Committees

a. Finance Committee

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

CARRIED

The Police Commission Budget for 2022 will be brought back to a future meeting for consideration.

b. Policy and Governance Committee

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by Douglas Thornton, that the Policy and Governance Committee Report be accepted as information; and

FURTHER THAT the Lethbridge Police Commission Action Plan Progress Report be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

c. Alberta Association of Police Governance

Moved by John Middleton-Hope, seconded by Diane Conley, that the update on the Alberta Association of Police Governance be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

12. Inquiries from the Public to the Police Commission

There were no inquiries from the public.

13. 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 Rachel Hopf, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Police Commission move into closed session, the time being 3:15 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 5:05 p.m.

CARRIED

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

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

Human Resources Matters
Policy and Governance 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 John Middleton-Hope, that Extension Request File No. 2020-010 be extended to May 25, 2022; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Extension Request File No. 2020-092 be extended to April 27, 2022; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Extension Request Files No. 2021-001 and No. 2021-015 be extended to June 29, 2022; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Extension Request File No. 2021-078 be extended to June 30, 2022; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Extension Request File No. 21-0898 be extended to August 31, 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 Diane Conley, seconded by Dawna Coslovi, that the Police Commission, Lethbridge Police Executive, and Staff Members move into closed session, the time being 5:08 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 Closed Session adjourn, the time being 5:59 p.m.

CARRIED

*Commission Members
Lethbridge Police Service Executive and Staff
Clerk*

- a. **Monthly Compliments**
- b. **Police Chief Report**
- c. **Citizen Survey**
- d. **Lethbridge Police Service Action Plan**
- e. **Change Management Task Force**

Moved by John Middleton-Hope, seconded by Douglas Thornton, that the Closed Session Meeting discussions, reports, and documents relating to:

Monthly Compliments
Police Chief Report
Citizen Survey
Lethbridge Police Service Action Plan
Change Management Task Force

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

14. New Business

a. For Youth by Youth Update

Moved by Diane Conley, seconded by John Middleton-Hope, that the update on the For Youth by Youth Program be received as information.

CARRIED

b. Executive Director Position

Moved by Dawna Coslovi, seconded by John Middleton-Hope, that the Police Commission to accept the recommendations of the Human Resources and Finance Committees to request that a permanent 0.5 Legislative Assistant position be created, with funding for 2022 to come for the BAUs, and

FURTHER THAT the position be included in the new initiative for 2023-2026 Operating Budget for the Lethbridge Police Service.

CARRIED

c. Governance Workshop

A governance workshop will be arranged for the Police Commission members.

15. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

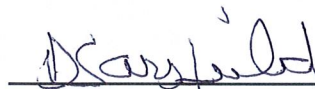
16. Meeting Adjournment

Moved by Dawna Coslovi that the Lethbridge Police Commission Meeting for January 26, 2022 adjourn, the time being 8:17 pm.

CARRIED



Rob Van Spronsen, Chair



David Sarsfield, Clerk