



**Minutes  
Town of Westville  
Board of Police Commissioners  
Regular Meeting  
September 15, 2020 – 6:00 pm**

**Call To Order**

Chair of the Police Commission Dorothylane Hale called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

**Roll Call**

Chair Dorothylane Hale, (Mayor) Lennie White, (Councillor) Clarrie MacKinnon, (Deputy Mayor) Bernie Murphy, Ed Ferguson, Steven Joudrey, William Gray, Police Chief Howard Dunbar, Recording Secretary Kristen Reed

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

None.

**Additions, Deletions and/or Approval of the Agenda**

**PC – 2020.09.15.39 Moved** by Commissioner Murphy to accept with addition Neighbourhood watch as item 9c. Seconded by Commissioner MacKinnon.

**Motion Unanimously Carried**

**Approval of Minutes – August 18,2020**

**PC – 2020.09.15.40 Moved** by Commissioner Joudrey, **seconded** by Commissioner Murphy to approve the minutes as circulated.

**Motion Unanimously Carried**

**Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

**Report of the Police Chief**

Chief Dunbar presented his reports for the month of August. Additionally there is an upcoming webinar on mental health.

Discussion followed with members of the Commission regarding increase in theft and assaults. Also discussed Covid checks are done after people isolating don't answer the phone after three tries to contact them police are sent to ensure people are at home. Take seriously as a matter of safety since many Nova Scotia cases were caused by travel. There is a system of reporting that takes place through RCMP so take a while to clear.

**PC-2020.09.15.41 Moved** by Commissioner Murphy, **seconded** by Commissioner Joudrey to approve the report of the Chief of Police.

**Motion Unanimously Carried**



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## Correspondence

None.

## New Business

a) Commission Chair Hale presented her monthly report of meetings and reminded the AGM for the NSAPG would be conducted virtually on September 17, 2020.

b) Commission Chair Hale announced due to COVID and remote meetings the current executive will remain in place.

c) Neighbourhood Watch

Commissioner Murphy discussed concern brought to him by citizens as well as on social media. He has received good response from people on social media regarding idea of Neighbourhood watch.

Discussion followed with members of the Commission confirming concern brought to others and some unofficial area's starting watches. Chief Dunbar listed some of the benefits the Westville Citizen Crime Prevention Group had in the area.

**PC – 2020.09.15.42** Commissioner MacKinnon moved to endorse and research public interest in a neighbourhood watch program. **Seconded** by Commissioner Joudrey.

**Motion Unanimously Carried**

## Community

Geraldine Gresswell mentioned don't know who local officers are, and importance of knowing officers to limit worry of impostors. Discussion of various options took place. Chief Howard invited her to make an appointment to discuss idea further, as well as will look at more community involvement.

## Closed Session

**PC – 2020.09.15.43 Moved** by Commissioner White **seconded** by Commissioner Murphy to move into closed session.

**Motion Unanimously Carried**

The meeting adjourned into closed session at 6:45 pm.

**PC – 2020.09.15.44 Moved** by Commissioner MacKinnon **seconded** by Commissioner Joudrey to return to open session.

**Motion Unanimously Carried**

## Next Meeting

Board of Police Commissioners Monthly Meeting  
October 20, 2020 – 6:00 pm

## Adjournment

**PC – 2020.09.15.45 Moved** by Commissioner Ferguson and seconded by Commissioner MacKinnon to adjourn.

**Motion Unanimously Carried**

This meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.



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Chair: 

Chief Administrative Officer: 

Approved: 