



**Minutes
Town of Westville
Board of Police Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 19, 2022 - 6:00 pm**

Call To Order

Chair of the Police Commission Dorothylane Hale called the meeting to order at 5:58 pm.

Roll Call

Chair Dorothylane Hale, Vice Chair William Gray, (Deputy Mayor) Commissioner Clarrie MacKinnon, (Councillor) Commissioner Mitchell MacGregor, Commissioner Steven Joudrey, (Councillor) Commissioner Meghan Bragg, Police Chief Howard Dunbar, CAO Scot Weeres, Recording Secretary Kristen Reed

Regrets

Commissioner Shaun MacLaughlin

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None.

Additions, Deletions and/or Approval of the Agenda

PC - 2022.07.19.152 Moved by Commissioner MacKinnon, seconded by Commissioner Joudrey to approve the agenda.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Approval of Minutes -June 21, 2022

PC - 2022.07.19.153 Moved by Commissioner MacGregor, seconded by Commissioner MacKinnon to approve the minutes as circulated.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes

Follow up on youth in town not wearing helmets. Chief mentioned he had purchased some ice cream tickets and was giving them out to youth wearing helmets. The youth that saw their friends get them would start wearing helmets and follow the police car in hopes of getting one.

Report of the Police Chief - Report attached

The Chief read the report and stressed people need to lock doors and not leave keys in vehicles.

Commissioner MacGregor asked about Fire bylaws and what can be done without the bylaw. The Chief responded that they can use the environment act, which has a fine of up to \$5,000. A bylaw would need to balance the enjoyment of own property and others. Could also look at fireworks, more for the sake of people shooting them at each other. Commissioner MacKinnon has had people express they are opposed to needing a permit or a fee due to the spontaneous nature of some



neighbours enjoying fires. There has recently been a lot of discussion about fireworks. Many local communities can still do fireworks just need to watch the time and request permission first.

Vice Chair Gray asked how July 1st went. Chief mentioned they had planned for the worst and had identified some possible threats, but everything went well. There was only 1 arrest. He was exceedingly proud of the citizens and the fire department did a great job with the events. Commissioner MacKinnon added that Public Works superintendent Sam Graham did an amazing job as master of ceremony for the Seniors appreciation night.

Commissioner MacKinnon requested traffic counts for both North Main Street and Drummond Rd. People believe Cowan is busier than North Main. Chief Dunbar will get updated numbers and compare them with the old numbers, as the street repairs may not give accurate numbers.

PC-2022.07.19.154 Moved by Commissioner Joudrey, **seconded** by Commissioner Bragg to approve the report of the Chief of Police as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

New Business

- a) Nova Scotia Association for Police Governance
There will be a joint conference October 6th and 7th in Truro.

Discussion took place regarding the need for conversations before the conference. Paying for Forensic service which are not receiving. Becoming a public safety issue. Citizen told a \$55,000 vehicle is a minor crime, but for our citizens that is a major crime. One of our officers did all the warrants, etc for Stellarton but the RCMP are getting paid to do it. The appointee of Department of Justice for Truro doesn't live in Truro and when it was brought up they didn't know. Standardized systems are being pushed but it's too much for Municipal groups to do.

Next Meeting

Regular Board of Police Commissioners Meeting
Westville Council Chambers
August 16, 2022 - 6:00pm

Adjourn

PC - 2022.07.19.155 Moved by Commissioner Joudrey, **seconded** by Vice Chair Gray to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Meeting adjourned at 6:51

Chair: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Approved: _____