

Police Committee Minutes

Present:

Chair: Mayor Watts
Councillor Gill
Councillor Hayne
Councillor Hepner
Councillor Martin
Councillor Rasode
Councillor Steele
Councillor Villeneuve

Absent:**Staff Present:**

Chief Superintendent Bill Fordy, OIC, Surrey RCMP
Staff Sgt. Major Aaron Paradis, Surrey RCMP
Vince Lalonde, City Manager
Jas Rehal, Manager, By-laws & Licensing Services
Jane Sullivan, City Clerk
Claudette Bejtovic, Administrative Assistant

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**1. Police Committee - May 5, 2014**

It was Moved by Councillor Hepner
Seconded by Councillor Hayne
That the minutes of the Police Committee
meeting held on May 5, 2014, be adopted.
Carried

2. Community Safety Committee – Terms of Reference (TOR)

It was Moved by Councillor Hepner
Seconded by Councillor Hayne
That the Community Safety Committee
Terms of Reference (TOR) be adopted.
Carried

B. NEW BUSINESS**C. COMMITTEE REPORTS****OIC SURREY RCMP DETACHMENT**

Chief Superintendent Bill Fordy, OIC, introduced Assistant Commissioner Dan Malo, Lower Mainland District Commander, and gave a brief overview of his background and experience.

The OIC thanked Council for messages of condolence and support in light of the loss of three RCMP members in Moncton, New Brunswick. Staff Sgt. Major Aaron Paradis was part of the official Guidon ceremony; Chief Superintendent Bill Fordy was part of the

parade.

Item No. Poo8 Vacuum Metal Deposition Chamber
File No. 7400-01

The following comments were made:

- Emerging technology was procured by the Federal Identification Program which provides the ability to recover fingerprints from a wide range of porous and non-porous objects and fabrics, even those that have been submerged in water for many years. The Program is being funded through the National Forensic Identification Program.
- The Vacuum Metal Deposition Chamber will be housed in the Main RCMP Detachment in Surrey. With Surrey being central in the Lower Mainland District, it is an ideal site to maximize access and use of the new equipment.

It was Moved by Councillor Steele
Seconded by Councillor Hayne
That Committee Report Item No. Poo8
Vacuum Metal Deposition Chamber be received as information.
Carried

D. OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Best Practices as it Relates to Police Interaction with the Mentally Ill Population (MIP), Chief Superintendent, Bill Fordy, OIC**

Item referred from Lower Mainland Mayors/RCMP Working Group.

The following comments were made:

- Chief Superintendent Bill Fordy, OIC, provided an overview of the Best Practices Program in Surrey. Four positions with the Car 67 program are specifically designed to work with a mental health liaison (nurse) working 12-hour shifts.
- They will be creating a Vulnerable Persons Unit. Domestic Violence and Missing Persons Units will be brought into this unit and an NCO placed to manage it.
- There are five Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) teams within Vancouver Coastal Health and two in the Fraser Health Authority Region, as reported at the Lower Mainland Mayors/RCMP Workshop. The OIC advised that meetings are taking place with Fraser Health and assigning two members of ACT team to work with Car 67 personnel, but their mandate will be expanded under this proposal.

- The OIC advised that trends are being tracked and identified as being related to mental health or other issue.
- Mayor Watts noted that discussions were held at the Mayors Workshop in terms of the role of police in assessing a person's mental health, whereby Fraser Health Authority should be the lead. Placing assessment responsibilities on police is not appropriate. In response, the OIC noted that interaction with Fraser Health has been favourable.
- Looking at the success of the gang enforcement team established in 2007, and given the success of IHIT and CFSEU and prosecutions that have flowed from these, there has been a decrease in gang murders, and the homicide rate has seen a significant decline.
- The OIC was asked about crime mapping and advised that it was discussed at the last Police Committee meeting and included in the open data initiative coming forward with the City.
- Staff advised that active research is being done into the information requested at the last Police Committee meeting regarding the bylaw process and looking at a two-tiered system, results of which are expected to be reported to the next Police Committee meeting.

E. NEXT MEETING

F. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Steele

Seconded by Councillor Hayne

That the Police Committee meeting do now


adjourn.

Carried

The Police Committee adjourned at 11:25 a.m.



Jane Sullivan, City Clerk



Mayor Watts, Chairperson