

The quarterly meeting of the Town of Mahone Bay's Police Advisory Board was held on Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. via videoconferencing.

Present:

Mayor D. Devenne
Deputy Mayor Francis Kangata
Councillor Kelly Wilson
Darrell Dawson
Angus Smith
Clerk & Dep. CAO, M. Hughes
Cpl. Dan Smith, RCMP
Cst. Tim Lynch, RCMP

Absent:

Land Acknowledgement

Let us begin by acknowledging that we are gathered today in Mi'kma'ki. The ancestral, present and future territory of the Mi'kmaw people. Today, we gather with the intent followed by the living Peace and Friendship Treaties - with respect, cooperation and coexistence.

Approval of Agenda

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, **"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."** **Motion carried.**

Minutes

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Mr. Dawson, **"THAT the minutes of the August 6, 2020 meeting of the Police Advisory Board be approved as presented."** **Motion carried.**

Presentation of Police Reports

Cpl. Smith started his presentation with an overview of the RCMP structure in Lunenburg County noting an increased focus in the district on community policing and the goals of increased visibility at the community level.

In the presentation of the RCMP Quarterly Reports, Cpl. Smith highlighted some notable occurrences in Mahone Bay during this quarter (January – March 2021) including responses to community concerns and presentations by the School Safety Resource Officer to address the concerning issue of intimate images among young people.

Discussion around the committee level included mental health response practices, addressing concerns of residents about continuing issues, how the RCMP interact with youth in the community who come into contact with the RCMP, and concerns regarding pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

Speed Sign Statistics

The Clerk reviewed the speed sign deployment plan with members of the PAB and advised that monthly statistics are shared with the RCMP who are then able to refer to those statistics when planning how to address identified traffic issued. Quarterly speed sign statistics will be shared as a regular component of the Police Advisory Board meetings.

New Business

PAB Training

The Clerk advised members that training for PAB members is currently being updated at the provincial level and the link to complete the training will be forwarded to all committee members when it is available.

COVID-19

Committee members discussed the components of the provincial Health Order and the enforcement that the RCMP is able to perform.

Next Meeting: July 29, 2021 at noon.

The meeting adjourned upon motion at 1:08 p.m.

TOWN OF MAHONE BAY

Mayor David Devenne

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Town Clerk, Maureen Hughes

