

The quarterly meeting of the Town of Mahone Bay's Police Advisory Board was held on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. via videoconferencing.

**Present:**

Mayor D. Devenne  
Deputy Mayor Francis Kangata  
Councillor Kelly Wilson  
Darrell Dawson  
Angus Smith (left at 12:20pm)  
Clerk & Dep. CAO, M. Hughes  
Manager of Public Works & Transportation, J. Uhlman  
CAO, Dylan Heide (left at 12:20pm)  
Cpl. John Payne, RCMP  
S/Sgt Victor Whalen, RCMP

**Absent:** David Lesiuk (regrets)

**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 Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Smith, **"THAT the agenda be approved as amended."** **Motion carried.**

**Minutes**

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, **"THAT the minutes of the October 28, 2021 meeting of the Police Advisory Board be approved as presented."** **Motion carried.**

## **Presentation of Police Reports**

Cpl. John Payne presented the RCMP Quarterly Report for October to December 2021. Discussion following the presentation of the report focused on a few key aspects of the report including local checkpoints and mental health response by the RCMP. Members of the Police Advisory Board also discussed a recent concern regarding graffiti in town.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, **“THAT the Police Advisory Board recommend that Council develop a policy regarding surveillance cameras within the Town of Mahone Bay.”** **Motion carried.**

## **Speed Sign Reports**

The Manager of Public Works and Transportation reported on the three speed signs that are now in place, located at Kinburn Street, Main Street, and Edgewater Street.

## **New Business**

### **PAB Training Review**

The membership received their Police Advisory Board training on January 21, 2021 and discussion was focused on the information from the training that the Department of Justice is aware that many communities are experiencing difficulties filling the Ministerial appointment position on Police Advisory Boards.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Kangata, seconded by Mr. Dawson, **“THAT the PAB recommend that Council write to the Department of Justice requesting the ability to recommend an appointment to the Department in place of the Ministerial Appointment which remains vacant.”** **Motion carried**

### **COVID-19**

S/Sgt Whalen advised the PAB membership that the RCMP have not recently been experiencing any particular draw on their resources due to COVID-19 restrictions.

### **Correspondence received at Council from Department of Justice**

The PAB membership received correspondence from the Department of Justice, which had been received at Council on January 11, 2022, regarding the upcoming 2022 review of the contract policing with the RCMP.

### **Provincial Police Services Agreement**

The membership discussed the Provincial Police Services Agreement and possible areas of interest for future discussion of the policing contract.

**Next Meeting:** April 28, 2022

**The meeting adjourned upon motion at 1:06 p.m.**

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Mayor David Devenne

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Town Clerk, Maureen Hughes

