

**POLICE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mark Warkentin, Acting Chair  
Aman Gill  
Yvon Dandurand  
Mike Welte  
Chris Dominato

**MANAGEMENT PRESENT:**

Chief Constable Mike Serr  
Deputy Chief Constable Brett Crosby-Jones – Operations  
A/Deputy Chief Constable Jason Burrows – Administration  
Randy Millard – Director of Finance

**REGRETS:**

Barb Schimnowsky  
Mayor Henry Braun

**RECORDING SECRETARY:**

Donna Macey

The meeting was called to order at 1201PM.

### 1. Adoption Of Agenda

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be **approved**, with the addition of Change to September 2019 meeting date under Other Business. The motion was **adopted**.

### 2. Consent Agenda

It was moved and seconded that the consent agenda be **approved**, with the removal of the c. Financial Statements - January 2019 for a question. The motion was **adopted**.

- a. Minutes of previous meeting - January 22, 2019
- b. Financial Statements - Y/E 2018
- c. Financial Statements - January 2019 – *removed for discussion*
- d. Operational Crime Overview
- e. Upcoming Events
- f. CAPG - membership renewal

There was a question about the operating surplus and it was explained that this typically occurs in January where expenses are processed in the financial system near the end of February due to year-end audit timelines and as a result many January expenses will be reported on the February report.

It was moved and seconded that receiving the Financial Statements – January 2019 be **approved**. The motion was **adopted**.

### 3. Business Arising Out of Previous Minutes

None

#### 4. Presentation: Civil Forfeiture

Cst. Hawkes presented on the use of Civil Forfeiture, reviewing:

- The Civil Forfeiture Act, which became law in 2006
- Benefits of Civil Forfeiture
- The Abbotsford statistics since the APD started making applications:
  - 252 Referrals
  - 180 Forfeitures
  - Current files in progress: 27
  - Net estimated value: \$6.1 million
  - 78K in equipment grants

Majority of files are drug related, however, recently property crime files have been put forward for consideration, and domestic and sexual offences are being explored.

#### 5. 2019 Strategic Plan

Chief Serr reported that the Strategic Plan has been issued to all employees, with information sessions being held throughout the department.

#### 6. Chief's Report

Chief Serr reported on the following:

- **Recruiting** – there are six recruits graduating in March; five recruits graduating in June; and three exempts over the next month will be hired. These hires and graduations will help the department its needs and fill some of the gaps, including traffic will be staffed to 6 and 1 by end of March.
- **Team Commander Accreditation** – two members recently received their accreditation in major case management investigative skills for high profile files, which is a requirement through provincial policing standards.
- **Patrol** – with the recent cold weather, patrol has done significant work to assist the homeless with access to emergency shelters.
- **Dunk Gangs** – an initiative co-sponsored by the community and the Abbotsford Police Foundation to bring youth, who may be at risk of gang life, to experience a basketball game with a member of their family and the AbbyPD.
- **Ride to Remember** – is an annual event to honour heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice for their community and to ensure the magnitude of their sacrifice is never forgotten. The event takes place on the last Sunday of September each year. Work is underway to host the ride locally in BC.

## **7. ICD/Rotman Executive – Police Board Training program**

The course and dates were reviewed. Registration will be coordinate based on the information provide to Donna Macey.

## **8. BCAPB**

Aman Gill reviewed the funding request from the CAPG, along with the BCAPB letter on the same issue, with regard to hosting the 2020 Conference in Victoria. It was agreed to defer this matter to the April 2019 meeting.

## **9. CAPG**

The 2019 conference and call for resolutions were discussed. The Board requested more information on the conference, specifically the theme and agenda. The conference and call for resolution will be added to the March meeting agenda.

Possible attendees to the conference are Aman Gill and Mike Welte.

## **10. Other business**

Due to a conflict on the September 24<sup>th</sup> date, it was agreed to move the meeting to September 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **11. Questions from the public relating to today's Agenda**

Mr. Flavelle made a suggestion that there be increased public knowledge with regard to civil forfeiture so that individuals were aware of the possible consequences of losing their assets and would maybe think twice before becoming involved in illegal activity.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:53PM.

"Original signed"

Acting Chair – Mark Warkentin

Certified Correct:

"Original signed"

Recording Secretary – Donna Macey