



VICTORIA & ESQUIMALT POLICE BOARD

Public Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2022 at 5:00pm
Boardroom & Zoom

PRESENT

Mayor Helps, Chair	I. Lee	Insp. King
Mayor Desjardins	P. Schachter	Insp. Jones
D. Crowder	Chief Cst. Manak	Insp. McRae
S. Dhillon	DC Watson	S/Sgt. Ames
M. Hayes	DC Laidman	S/Sgt. Rice
C. Huber	Insp. M. Brown	D. Perry

Recording Secretary: Collette Thomson

1. STANDING ITEMS

a. Adoption of the Public Agenda of May 17, 2021

22-53 **MOTION:** *To approve the Public agenda of May 17, 2022 as presented.*
MOVED/SECONDED/CARRIED

b. Adoption of the Public Minutes of April 19, 2022

22-54 **MOTION:** *To approve the Public Minutes of April 19, 2022 meeting as presented.*
MOVED/SECONDED/CARRIED

c. Chief Constable Update

Refer to the report provided – for information. Chief Manak provided an update on operational calls and files of note including:

- commending the officers who provided life-saving first aid to the child who was the victim of a recent arson
- VicPD is responding with information, interdiction, and enforcement to ongoing youth violence in the downtown core. Youth are being arrested for a variety of offences ranging from vandalism to weapons possession. VicPD and schools are collaborating on how to address this issue and educate youth and parents. Board member Hayes suggested that priority be given to reinstating the School Liaison Officer positions; Board member Schachter suggested that racialized communities be consulted if this is considered.

d. Roadmap for a Healthy & Inclusive Workplace

Refer to the document provided – for information. This living document has three main areas of focus (mental health and wellness; equity, diversity and inclusion; and leadership) that may be amended to include new initiatives to support the overall goal of improving VicPD. Expected outcomes will be added to each section and presented again to the Board at the July meeting.

e. Committee Reports

Refer to the report provided – for information.

f. Board Co-Chair Updates

In their capacity as Mayors, Mayor Helps and Mayor Desjardins requested that VicPD provide their Councils with data regarding prolific offenders, specific to their municipalities, at the next quarterly update presentation (one-time request).

22-55 **MOTION:** *That the Board direct Chief Manak to provide both councils with data related to prolific offenders, specific to their municipalities, at the next quarterly update presentation.* **MOVED/SECONDED/CARRIED**

g. BC Association of Police Boards Director’s Update

The BCAPB conference is being held on May 26-27. Board member Huber will provide updates about the conference outcome at the June Board meeting.

h. Board Member Engagement Update

Mayor Helps attended the swearing-in of two new VicPD recruit Constables on May 3, and Board member Dhillon attended the VicPD National Volunteer recognition event on April 26.

i. 2021-2022 Board Strategic Priorities

Refer to the document provided – for information.

j. Framework Agreement

No discussion arising.

k. Board Meeting Date Adjustment

June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day and the Board meeting is currently booked for this day. Some Board members will be absent from the meeting as they are involved in celebration activities.

22-56 **MOTION:** *That the June 21 Board meeting be moved to June 28 to accommodate National Indigenous Peoples Day celebrations and activities.*
MOVED/SECONDED/CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 6:09pm.

Mayor Helps
Lead Co-Chair

Collette Thomson
Recording Secretary

Date

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