MINUTES of the open portion of the regular meeting of the OAK BAY POLICE BOARD held in Council Chambers of Oak Bay Municipal Hall, 2167 Oak Bay Ave, Oak Bay, BC, on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Board Members: Nils Jensen, Chair

Blair Littler

Sandra Waddington

Mary Kelly Brian Rendell

Police Board Secretary
Chief Constable
Deputy Chief Constable
Recording Secretary
Helen Koning
Andy Brinton
Ray Bernoties
Barbara Sherman

Chair called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Agenda approved.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

RESOLVED that minutes of the open portion of the regular meeting of the Oak Bay Police Board, held on Tuesday, June 13, be adopted.

RESOLVED that minutes of the open portion of the special meeting of the Oak Bay Police Board, held on Thursday, July 13 be adopted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

3. Financial Reports

Chief Brinton presented Financial Reports to June 30, 2017.

4. Overtime Report

Chief Brinton spoke to the over run in the overtime budget, including potential off-sets.

5. Chief Constable's Monthly Update

Chief Brinton reviewed some of his activities over the summer months, including the CACP conference which will be held in Halifax next year. CACP conference will not be held in conjunction with the CAPBG conference in 2018, but will be held in different locations. Discussion took place regarding the Canadian Association Of Police Oversight conference as a viable alternative to the CAPBG conference in the future.

6. High Visibility Policing Report

Deputy Chief Bernoties spoke to the high visibility initiatives for the second quarter of 2017. One member is currently on a police mountain bike course and Deputy Bernoties, a police mountain bike trainer, has received the approval from the JI to train two more members when it fits in with

the schedule. Bike patrols provide excellent opportunities for public engagement and quick response to calls for service. Foot patrols are high, as is traffic enforcement with IRP's and attention to school zones. RCMP Marine patrol schedules don't always work out with our staffing levels, but there is a desire to participate when possible. Lots of positive feedback from public for all manner of high visibility initiatives. It was asked why there are so many more foot patrols than bike patrols and Chief Brinton explained that it was more of a commitment for members to gear up for bike patrols than on foot, therefore foot patrols are more spontaneously done. Nightshift patrols often park the car and conduct foot patrols to check for insecure vehicles. The ability to cover more area on bike than on foot was also discussed.

MOVED and seconded: That all of the Departmental Reports 3-6 be received.

CARRIED

7. Strategic Plan Update – Verbal Update

Deputy Chief Bernoties reporting that the last quarterly update will be presented at the next meeting. The community survey for the next strategic plan is currently being conducted through an online survey and the response has been very good. Early results were summarized by Deputy Chief Bernoties and he is expecting a very good sample of the community by the time that the survey closes on October 1. The previous survey of the 2013 strategic plan will provide a useful baseline for comparison. Two community meetings will be held during the first week of November, one at Monterey Rec Centre and the other at Henderson Rec Centre. Employees are aware of the process and will be involved in identifying initiatives to support the priorities identified. An internal employee engagement survey was launched today. The results of this survey will be brought to the board with an action plan. The internal survey can also serve as a baseline to evaluate future analytics measuring employee engagement down the road.

8. Oak Bay Police Department Social Media – Verbal Update

Deputy Chief Bernoties discussed the operational value to the growing number of Twitter followers. Board is pleased with the greater communication to the public. The ability to fan out information regarding missing children or road closures was discussed. Another benefit is in correcting misinformation. Crimes are not to be reported on social media and this needs to be made clear. There was discussion on the need to keep the feeds interesting and entertaining in order to keep people engaged.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

9. Ministry of Public Safety & Solicitor General – 5 Day Pilot Training Program for BC Police Board Members

Corresp. 1 – ADM Clayton Pecknold, Aug. 30, 2017

Police Services will be fully funding two board members (but not charis) to attend five days of training in a pilot project that is expected to become mandatory. Travel and hotel expenses are the responsibility of each board and can be absorbed in the police board training budget. As the most junior members, Blair Littler and Mary Kelly will be able to attend these sessions December 1-3 at

the JIBC in New Westminster and January 27-28 at the Sussex Building in Victoria. Both sessions need to be attended for five days in total. Barbara to confirm their participation with Police Services.

MOVED and seconded that Mary Kelly and Blair Littler be sent to the 5 Day Pilot Training Program for BC Police Board Members.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

Sandra Waddington reports on the BC Association of Police Boards (BCAPB) meeting on September 15. One resolution on federal funding related to how the RCMP is funded has been bumped up to the Canadian Association. The building code resolution could be archived and the five remaining could possibly be consolidated.

Ron McDonald, the new director of the IIO met with the group. Strong interest in having investigators trained to a high standard of major crime investigations. He sees the IIO as a process to reassure the public that the police are doing what they are supposed to be doing. Very positive meeting.

Some changes to personnel in Police Services. Police Services will now be more involved in board appointments. Brian's and Sandra's terms are coming up soon. Board members are encouraged to seek out qualified people in the community to forward their CV's to the Chair. Police Services are encouraging board input and seek a quicker turnaround time.

There is a new Marijuana Secretary under Clayton Pecknold as they seek input and make decisions on how the new laws will impact BC.

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner will be looking at the records of police boards. Looking at how information is disseminated and how privacy is protected. They will choose ten police boards to review, so possibly the Oak Bay Police Board may be one of those.

ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLVED that the open portion of the meet	ing be adjourned.
The open portion of the meeting adjourned at	6:04 p.m.
Certified Correct:	
Secretary, Oak Bay Police Board	Chair, Oak Bay Police Board