

APPROVED
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KENTVILLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

A meeting of the Kentville Board of Police Commissioners was held on September 18th, 2006 at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT

Commissioners Sweet, Kilcup, Bolland, King, Kehoe and Hale,
Chairperson Hill, CAO Boyd, Chief Mander and Mayor Corkum.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Hill called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion by Commissioner Kilcup to approve the agenda, seconded by
Commissioner Bolland. Agenda approved.**

MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

**Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 20, 2006
made by Commissioner Kehoe and seconded by Commissioner
Hale.**

MOTION CARRIED.

NEW TRAFFIC CHANGES

Report made by Chief Mander (attached) providing traffic collision data noting an increase in accidents at the Cornwallis and Webster St. Intersection. It is felt by Chief Mander and Cpl. Brown, our accident reconstructionist, that this is an indicator of a problem at this location, likely a result of changes to the traffic pattern. Chief Mander recommends that consideration be given to reverting Cornwallis Street back to its original traffic pattern. Some discussion ensued.

LOITERING

Mayor Corkum addressed the Board as this is a serious problem in Centre Square with various numbers of people hanging out there and various activities going on, some harmless and some not. Some discussion ensued of the various problems and suggestions to improve the situation. The Chief has met with the Town Solicitor as well. Some suggestions were to treat Centre Square like a park and shut it down at 9 pm, make it uncomfortable for them by removing the benches and canopy and make it a non smoking area if possible. It was commented that at least the problem is contained in one area and don't want it to spread to other more problematic areas. It was felt that a high police presence seems to be the best solution along with the installation of cameras and increased lighting although this will be costly and is only part of the solution. What do you do about the adults there, what about the parents of the youths? It was also noted that some of the youths live in rental units in the area. Possibly the businesses can contribute. Commissioner Kehoe suggested that as the cold

weather will be here soon, to hold off on the cameras until next year and put the manpower in place and money in the budget to get through until then.

Motion by Commissioner Kehoe and seconded by Commissioner Bolland to grant the Chief authority to spend up to \$15,000 all in manpower to be used on the Centre Square issue to up police presence and prepare security cameras and other areas as required as soon as possible.

The intent is to take the \$15,000 out of the existing budget and if there is an over run, it will be explained at year end. This will be explained to Council. Commissioner Bolland requested a price on the lighting for the next meeting and suggested a possible contribution by the business owners. Chief Mander is to get same to Chairperson Hill for the next CAC meeting as soon as possible. Chairperson Hill will be reporting the Chief's findings to CAC before the Board meets again.

MOTION CARRIED.

FALL CONFERENCE

The cost per delegate for the conference is \$125 per person per night for the hotel room with a total cost of \$1,000 approximately each plus mileage and the registration fee is \$150. There is \$2,000 in the budget.

REPORTS TO
COUNCIL

Chief Mander provided an update. Chairperson Hill questioned if there is a target amount of hours per week for the beat. Chief Mander advised there is and will get the number to her. (Report attached).

Motion by Commissioner Bolland to accept the reports. Seconded by Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIED.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Mander highlighted his report stating the budget is on target noting that a number of expenditures were up front such as uniforms and training. There is an overage of \$3,000 but Chief Mander hopes to make up for this by year end. He noted that the NCO overtime looks high but the numbers reflect STAT time as well. (Report attached).

Motion by Commissioner Hale to accept the Chief's Report, seconded by Commissioner King.

MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE

Chief Mander advised our new liaison person from the Department of Justice is Bob Eyre who is unable to attend tonight's meeting.

TRAFFIC CONCERNS
other-

Commissioner Hale commended the police service in spending more time on Chester Avenue, stating there is still the motorcycle problem but wise notes the situation has improved. Commissioner Bolland agrees it is better but there is still the problem of speeding. Excellent report. (attached).

Motion to accept the report made by Commissioner Kehoe and seconded by Commissioner Bolland.

MOTION CARRIED.

ADVERTISER

Chairperson Hill noted that the RCMP has a cruiser report in the Advertiser and was wondering if we did. Chief Mander advised he approached the Advertiser months ago and sent one in. However, it was placed under the RCMP column. He noted that a new one is currently being developed, possibly to be called From the Beat. It may contain Crime Prevention tips and some stats on a quarterly basis.

CORRESPONDENCE

We have one copy of the Sentinel Watch List book that is put out by National Canadian Intelligence Service which provides estimate of risk. Chief Mander notes that the big one is methamphetamine, others are bike gangs, ports.

CACP Bulletin

Letter from David Simm

Memo from Mayor Corkum, Response to Mayor Corkum, letters from Commissioners King, Kilcup and Hale, letters from Pat Stevenson, Sharon Levy, Kelly Carter and Don MacMillan all regarding loitering and/or Centre Sq.

CACP Newsletter (passed out to members)

Thank you letter to Chief Mander from John Aitken of Armour Transportation. This was in regard to some youths who broke a window due to a party in the area. The youth was charged and dropped off a money order to repair the damage and an apology.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Sweet and seconded by Commissioner Kilcup. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

MOTION CARRIED.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY

APPROVED