

February 2, 2023
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MEETING

A regular scheduled meeting of the Stellarton Police Commission was held on Thursday, February 2, 2023 at 2:30 pm in Council Chambers.

PRESENT

Chairman B. Knight, Comm K. Mason, Comm S. Campbell, Comm. P. Kay (Late Arrival), Comm P. Lloyd, Chief M. Hobeck, Insp. C. Pond and CAO S. Higdon.

AGENDA

Chairman Knight asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Comm S. Campbell made a motion that the agenda be approved. Seconded by Comm K. Mason. **Motioned Carried.**

Approval of the Minutes

Comm K. Mason made a motion that the minutes be approved. Seconded by Comm. S. Campbell. **Motion Carried.**

Business Arising from the Minutes.

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Monthly Activity Report

Chairman Knight asked if there were any questions on the monthly Activity Report. Comm S. Campbell asked for clarification on the "Speed Sign Report," asking was it for Auburn Avenue or South Foord Street. Chief Hobeck indicated that it was for Auburn Avenue. Chairman Knight asked if speeding tickets were issued over 60 kms per hour. Insp. Pond stated that tickets could be written on any speed over 50kms per hour, however they would probably not stand up in court. Chief Hobeck stated that there is some speeding taking place and that this report helps to indicate where and when targeted enforcement may be needed. Chairman Knight asked for a motion to approve the monthly activity report. A motion was made by Comm S. Campbell to approve the report. Seconded by Comm K. Mason. **Motion Carried**

YTD Police Budget

Chairman B. Knight asked if anyone had any questions on the year-to-date budget. Comm Mason stated that it was good to see the YTD report and asked when they would see the 2023/2024 budget. CAO S. Higdon stated that the process would begin in

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February for the next fiscal year and would be presented to council in April. Comm K. Mason then asked if they would see the Police Budget that would be presented to council at the next Police Commission meeting. Chief Hobeck indicated that it would be available. Comm S. Campbell asked why there was such an increase in the legal fees. CAO Higdon stated that there was a delay in billing, and that this had been carried over. Chief Hobeck added that there had been an increase in the amount charged per appearance by their lawyer as well.

Resignation

Chairman Knight reported that Comm Nancy Terris had resigned for personal reasons. Chairman Knight stated to CAO S. Higdon that he would like to send a letter of thanks to Nancy for her service. Chairman Knight asked for a motion for a letter to be written from the commission. Comm. S. Campbell made the motion. Seconded by Comm. P. Lloyd.

Motion Carried.

Chief Hobeck stated that he would like to add a comment about an item in the monthly Activity Report. Cst. Gabe Vandergrift had a presentation at the Community Center regarding recent scams. Chief Hobeck added that although the crowd was not large, comments were very positive. Comm S. Campbell added that she had attended this event and thought it was well presented and attendees had asked whether there would be other sessions. Chief Hobeck indicated that there would be.

Next Meeting March 2nd, 2023, at 2:30pm

Adjourn Meeting adjourned with a motion by Comm S. Campbell