

MINUTES
CODIAC REGIONAL POLICING AUTHORITY
Business Meeting #221
June 10, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
Virtual via WEBEX, Moncton, New Brunswick

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS: Danie Roy, (Vice Chair), Moncton representative
Nagesh Jammula (Treasurer), Moncton representative
Robert Arsenault, Dieppe representative
Véronique Chadillon-Farinacci, Moncton representative
John Coughlan, Riverview Councillor
James Graves, Province of New Brunswick representative
Irwin Lampert, Moncton representative
Yvon Lapierre, Dieppe Mayor
Don Moore, Moncton representative

CODIAC RCMP STAFF: Supt. Ron Desilva, acting Officer in Charge
Insp. Benoit Jolette, Officer in Charge of Operations
Charles Savoie, Director Strategic Planning and Policing Support Services

REGRETS: Debbie Hathaway, Financial Administrator

GUEST: Charles Léger, Moncton Councillor

RECORDER: Tania Gould, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:03 pm, the Vice Chair called the virtual meeting to order. She advised that, due to the municipal elections, she will be chairing the meeting.

1. ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA

MOTION: *THAT the Agenda of the CRPA Regular Business Meeting #221 of June 10, 2021 stand approved as circulated.*
Moved by: Don Moore

In a brief discussion, it was clarified that quorum was met as Council. John Coughlan is still a member of the CRPA since the Riverview Council swearing-in ceremony is only being held next week. The Vice Chair added that Councillors elected and sworn-in cease to be board members of the CRPA until appointed or reappointed. They are unable to vote; however, attend as a member of the public.

Seconded by: Robert Arsenault

MOTION CARRIED

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Vice Chair advised on the procedure if a conflict of interest becomes evident throughout the meeting. None declared.

3. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

The Vice Chair welcomed the media: Erik Jingles, David Gordon Koch, Robert Lothian; as well as Hafsah Mohammad; Damien Dauphin; & Mayor Yvon Lapierre.

4. ADOPTION OF THE APRIL 15, 2021 MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING #219

MOTION: *THAT the Minutes of the CRPA Regular Business Meeting #219 of April 15, 2021 stand approved as circulated.*

Moved by: John Coughlan

Seconded by: Don Moore

MOTION CARRIED

5. CHAIR'S GENERAL REPORT – Danie Roy, Vice Chair

The Vice Chair provided the Chair report on behalf of Charles Léger (Appendix "A").

6. CODIAC REGIONAL RCMP – Supt. Ron Desilva, acting Officer in Charge:

On behalf of the board, the Vice Chair extended a warm welcome to Supt. Desilva to his first CRPA meeting of his secondment to Codiac RCMP.

Supt. Desilva indicated that regardless of the duration of his secondment, he plans on moving all items along while working closely with the CRPA and tri-community. He then proceeded with his report (Appendix "B").

Following the report, Robert Arsenault enquired on the number of drug raids and the process for arresting and charging drug offenders. Insp. Jollette responded that a file is created for every occurrence and explained the judicial process.

Insp. Jollette further added that in September 2020, there was a provincial commitment to form a provincial wide drug team. He advised that he was leading that team composed of 12 members of the RCMP and 10 of municipal forces. He elaborated on the extremely positive results from the provincial team. He indicated that the team has transformed into a permanent Provincial Crime Reduction Unit (PCRU) composed of 24 members.

Robert Arsenault asked to have biannual updates on the results arising from PCRU.

The Treasurer asked if an update is available on the progress of the 14 additional regular members from the 2021 Budget. Insp. Jollette advised that the positions were filled as part of an aggressive human resources process with J Division. The additional members were primarily placed on the front line to ensure visibility, patrol, traffic initiatives, etc.

On question by Véronique Chadillon-Farinacci related to the number of various occurrences related to drug possession, Insp. Jollette explained that the stats can be produced based on the various offences.

James Graves asked that the topics of PCRU and the increase in shoplifting be further discussed at the Quality of Policing Committee.

a. Fourth Quarter (Q4) Results of the 2020 Quarterly Report & Results of the 2020-2021 Annual Performance Plan (APP) & Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

Charles Savoie first advised that the new KPIs have been updated and that these will be appear in the next Quarterly Report (Q1) of the new year. He also indicated that the report has a new format, similar to a dashboard. This will first be presented at the next Quality of Policing Committee, followed by the next regular meeting. He proceeded in presenting PowerPoint presentation of the Q4 results (Appendix "C").

Following the report, there were several questions on the topics of B&Es and Prolific Offenders. Given the number of questions on the topic of Prolific Offenders, the Vice Chair offered to differ the topic at the next Quality of Policing Committee for further discussion.

The Vice Chair also indicated that the CRPA's advocacy for additional resources for the Mobile Crisis Services Unit also be addressed at the next Quality of Policing Committee since it was confirmed that there has been no traction.

Charles Savoie presented the PowerPoint presentation of the APP Q4 results (Appendix "D").

Upon enquiry by Véronique Chadillon-Farinacci regarding the Q4 residential B&Es results found on page 7 of the report, Charles Savoie indicated that without filters the results would be 60 vs 130. He further indicated that the new format of the report would be more comprehensible and transparent, and would include a definition page at the end of the report. The Vice Chair indicated that the topic would be further discussed at the Quality of Policing Committee meeting.

7. BUSINESS ARISING:

a. Finance Committee: Finance Report – Nagesh Jammula, Committee Chair

i. Motion to publish the March & April 2021 Summary Financial Statements

Nagesh Jammula, Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee provided the Finance Committee Report (Appendix "E") for the March (Appendix "F") & April (Appendix "G") 2021 Financial Statements.

MOTION: *THAT the March & April 2021 Summary Financial Statements stand approved as circulated; and THAT they be approved for publication on the CRPA's website.*

Moved by: Nagesh Jammula

Seconded by: John Coughlan

MOTION CARRIED

b. Quality of Policing Committee – Don Moore, Committee Chair

Don Moore advised that he did not have a report as there was no Quality of Policing Committee meeting held since the last regular meeting; however, a meeting will be scheduled to further discuss the assigned topics arising from this meeting.

c. Governance Committee – Danie Roy, Committee Chair

Danie Roy indicated that she does not have a report as there was no Governance Committee meeting held since the last regular meeting.

d. Building Committee – James Graves, Committee representative

James Graves provided his report (Appendix “H”).

Don Moore asked when would be the next time it would go before Moncton Council. James Graves advised that it is yet to be determined due to the swearing in of the new Moncton Council. He will keep the board abreast.

At the request of James Graves, Counc. Charles Léger added that Moncton City Council was sworn in on Monday and Riverview Town Council will be sworn in next week. He further indicated that a document would be circulated to the incoming councils providing them of a chronological background of information on the file. He expects that it would be made public at each council by end of summer or early September, and would include the Class A estimate.

Robert Arsenault asked if the drawing of the new building is 100% complete. Charles Savoie nodded yes.

8. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

9. ENQUIRY WHETHER ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WISHES TO SPEAK TO AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA

Damien Dauphin, the CRPA’s document translator, advised the board that the translation of the new CRPA policies is underway and should be completed in time for the AGM.

Speaking as a member of the public, Hafsah Mohammed virtually addressed the board, providing comment on the recent municipal elections process and the Mobile Crisis Services Unit working with the Codiac Regional RCMP. She asked to share further information related to the elections and Municipal Elections Act with the board. The Vice-Chair agreed to accept the information and circulate it with the board members.

10. NEXT MEETINGS:

- Annual General Meeting (AGM), Thursday June 24, 2021 at 6:00 pm, virtual via WEBEX

The Vice Chair reminded the board that the Committee reports for the AGM are due tomorrow.

- Regular meeting, Thursday September 9, 2021 at 6:00 pm, virtual via WEBEX or location TBD
- Regular meeting, Thursday November 18, 2021 at 6:00 pm, virtual via WEBEX or location TBD

11. IN CAMERA SESSION – not held

12. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:53 pm, Robert Arsenault moved that the meeting be adjourned.

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