

MINUTES
CODIAC REGIONAL POLICING AUTHORITY
Business Meeting #236
February 8, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
Moncton City Hall, Council Chambers, Moncton, New Brunswick

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS: Don Moore (Chair), Moncton representative
JJ Doiron (Secretary), Province of New Brunswick representative
Benoît Bolland, Dieppe representative
John Coughlan, Riverview Councillor
Corinne Godbout, Dieppe Councillor
Irwin Lampert, Moncton representative
Monique LeBlanc, Moncton Councillor
Scott Steeves, Moncton representative

CODIAC RCMP STAFF: Supt. Benoit Jollette, Officer-in-Charge (OIC)
Insp. Chantal Farrah, OIC Specialized Policing Services (SPS)
S/Sgt. Jonathan White, Interim OIC Operations
Charles Savoie, Director, Strategic Planning and Policing Support Services
Melissa Hachey, Community Engagement Manager
Debbie Hathaway, Financial Administrator

REGRETS: Nagesh Jammula (Vice Chair & Interim Treasurer), Moncton representative
Matt Carter, Riverview representative

RECORDER: Tania Gould, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:04 pm, the Chairman called the meeting to order.

1. ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA

MOTION: *THAT the Agenda of the CRPA Regular Business Meeting #236 of February 8, 2024 stand approved as circulated.*

Moved by: Don Moore

Seconded by: Irwin Lampert

MOTION CARRIED

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Chairman enquired if there were any known conflict of interest that may become evident throughout the meeting. None declared.

3. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

The Chairman acknowledged the sole public member in attendance: Damien Dauphin, CRPA document translator.

4. ADOPTION OF THE DECEMBER 7, 2023 MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING # 235 AND IN-CAMERA SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 2024

MOTION: *THAT the circulated Minutes of the CRPA Regular Business Meeting #235 of December 7, 2023 stand approved as circulated.*

Moved by: Don Moore

Seconded by: JJ Doiron

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: *THAT the circulated In Camera session meeting Minutes of January 25, 2024 stand approved as circulated.*

Moved by: Don Moore

Seconded by: John Coughlan

MOTION CARRIED

5. CHAIR'S GENERAL REPORT – Don Moore, Chairman

The Chairman provided the combined Chairman and Executive Committee report (Appendix "A").

The following motion was made within the Chairman's report:

MOTION: *THAT JJ Doiron be appointed to the role of Secretary of the CRPA; THAT JJ Doiron be appointed to the Governance Committee; THAT Nagesh Jammula be officially appointed to the role of interim Treasurer (in addition to his role as Vice-Chair).*

Moved by: Don Moore

Seconded by: Scott Steeves

MOTION CARRIED

The Chairman noted that Matt Carter has resigned from the Contract and Quality of Policing Committee to better concentrate on the Governance Committee.

6. BUSINESS ARISING:

a. Executive Committee – Don Moore, Chairman:

Report provided at item 5.

b. Finance Committee: Finance Report – Nagesh Jammula, Interim Committee Chair**i. Motion to publish the November and December 2023 Summary Financial Statements:**

John Coughlan, in the absence of Nagesh Jammula, Vice Chair and interim Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee, provided the Finance Committee Report (Appendix “B”) for the November (Appendix “C”) and December 2023 (Appendix “D”) Financial Statements.

MOTION: *THAT the November and December 2023 Summary Financial Statements be adopted as presented; and THAT it be approved for publication on the CRPA’s website.*

Moved by: John Coughlan

Seconded by: Irwin Lampert

There were questions on the surplus/deficit status; the 795 Main Street satellite office budget; the Versaterm system costs; and the projections on future expenses.

The CRPA asked the Codiac RCMP to provide explanations as to why the forecasted surplus/deficit has changed between the July to December 2023 Financial Statements reports. The Chairman advised that it would be presented via the Finance Committee at the April CRPA regular meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

c. Quality of Policing Committee – Scott Steeves, Committee Chair

Scott Steeves advised that there is no report as the Committee has not met in a while since the CRPA is in the process of developing the strategic plan. The Committee will be meeting again and have been compiling agenda items in the meantime.

On question by the Chairman regarding the status on development of the multi-year operation plan by the Codiac Regional RCMP, Charles Savoie indicated that the RFP is being prepared and that they are currently conducting research for companies who produce policing operational plans. He expects the RFP process to be underway in a couple of weeks. The timeline is included in the draft RFP; therefore, it should be ready in time for the budget session, and noted that it coincides very well with the CRPA’s strategic plan. Brief discussion on the timeline.

The Chairman then enquired if the workload analysis will be included in the Codiac RCMP operation plan. Chuck Savoie responded that both the budget and the operation plan will include a workload analysis. He further added that a workload analysis consists of the number of regular members required to perform the services required, for budgeting and to meet the expectations of the CRPA and communities.

d. Governance Committee – Corinne Godbout, Committee Chair

Corinne Godbout advised that there was no report since the Committee had not met since before the last regular public meeting; however, noted that the Committee emphasized on bringing governance issues into the discussions on the annual planning, the operational plan, etc.

7. CODIAC REGIONAL RCMP – Supt. Benoit Jollette, Officer-in-Charge (OIC):

a. OIC Report to CRPA

Prior to his report, Supt Jollette indicated that would ask the Executive Assistant to circulate his full report by email to the board members in order to respect the request to keep his report brief. He also thanked Véronique Chadillon-Farinacci for her tenure with the CRPA and wished her all the very best in her future endeavors.

Supt. Jollette provided his OIC report to the CRPA (Appendix “E”).

Following his report, there were questions on decision process by Crowne prosecutors in terms of bail; the effects of drug operations and trafficking; as well as the accessibility to and seizures of firearms.

The Chairman also thanked Véronique Chadillon-Farinacci for her service to the CRPA over the past five years or so. Her expertise as a criminology professor was a significant contribution to the CRPA.

MOTION: *THAT Véronique Chadillon-Farinacci be thanked for her service to the CRPA.*

Moved by: Irwin Lampert

Seconded by: Don Moore

MOTION CARRIED

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

No member of the public in attendance.

9. NEXT MEETINGS:

- Regular meeting, Thursday April 18, 2024 at 6:00 pm, (Dieppe City Hall)
- Regular meeting, Thursday June 6, 2024 at 6:00 pm, (Riverview Town Hall)
- Annual General Meeting (AGM), Thursday June 20, 2024 at 6:00 pm, (Moncton City Hall)
- Regular meeting, Thursday September 26, 2024 at 6:00 pm, (Dieppe City Hall)
- Regular meeting, Thursday November 7, 2024 at 6:00 pm, (Riverview Town Hall)
- Regular meeting, Thursday December 5, 2024 at 6:00 pm, (Moncton City Hall)

10. ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 7:08 pm.

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