

**MINUTES**  
**BRIDGEWATER BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS**  
**February 26, 2019**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Bridgewater Board of Police Commissioners held on Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> , 2019, in the Community Room of the Police Service Building, 45 Exhibition Drive, Bridgewater, Nova Scotia commencing at 5:30 p.m. with Board Chair David Walker presiding. Those in attendance: Commissioners: David Mitchell, Wayne Thorburne and Jennifer McDonald.

Also present: Chief Scott Feener, Deputy Chief Danny MacPhee, CAO Tammy Wilson and Commission Recording Secretary, Patty Sleep

Regrets: Commissioners Virginia Oickle, Darren Lipsett & Fay Patey.

Guest: Dawn Keizer, Finance

## **ORDER**

## **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

## **TRAINING OPPORTUNITY**

### **Photos for Website**

Board Chair asks that each Commissioner please contact the Chief to make arrangements to have a photograph taken for the website. Pictures will then be posted individually and include name, position and term details.

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**19-005** Moved by Commissioner Mitchell and seconded by Commissioner Thorburne the Minutes of the January 2019 regular meeting be approved as circulated.  
MOTION CARRIED.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**BPS 2019/20 Operational Budget**

**doc # 19-009**

The 2019/20 BPS Operational Budget document was circulated to the group. The Chief explained each section briefly, highlighting the changes

There are no major increases other than contractual pay increases.

The Professional Development account was discussed. While Board members support all training and costs, it was suggested if money is budgeted, it should be used in its entirety. If not, the budget amount should be decreased to reflect a more accurate amount, based on history.

Chief Feener explained the savings is partially due to the Department of Justice providing training at no cost. For the last two years, DOJ, has been generous with the cannabis rollout, however, it is unknown how long this will continue.

Fuel costs, electrical services and PROS (records management) noted as having a slight increase in this budget year.

The Board complimented the Chief and his team. The combination of expenditures and increased revenue turned out a very good budget!  
 Good job!

**19-006** Moved by Commissioner Thorburne and seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the 2019/20 BPS Operational Budget. MOTION CARRIED.

**Capital Budget Update**

**doc # 19-010**

Capital Budget document 19-010 was circulated the Board.

Chief Feener advised that the firewall is no longer needed, therefore, removed from the wish list. Our IT Specialist was able to satisfy our requirements for the time being.

The SSRO van is in need of replacement. Another van will not be purchased, but rather a smaller SUV and will have BPS graphics.

Two marked cars will be replaced as they have exceeded the allotted number of kilometers. SUV's with AWD are being considered. This appears to be the most viable option.

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**19-007** Moved by Commissioner Mitchell and seconded by Commissioner McDonald to approve the BPS 2019/20 Capital Budget. MOTION CARRIED.

Once approved by Council, it is intended to change the graphics of vehicles. Black vehicles will be ordered and white graphics added.

Black vehicles are less expensive and this separates the Police from EHS and Sherriff's vehicles.

The Board questioned whether one patrol car would be repurposed for senior safety car? The answer is not known at this time.

The Chief will be asking Council for preapproval on the vehicles, as delivery is typically 6 months. Director of Finance, Dawn Kaizer will assist with this.

**19-008** Moved by Commissioner Thorburne seconded by Commissioner McDonald to leave regular meeting and go In Camera. MOTION CARRIED

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday March 7, 29019 at the BPS Community Room.

**SUNDRY**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**19-009** Moved by Commissioner Thorburne and seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to adjourn the February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Regular meeting of the Bridgewater Board of Police Commissioners. MOTION CARRIED. 5:20 pm

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Patty Sleep  
 Recording Secretary

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David Walker  
 Board Chair