

# THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NELSON

Nelson Police Board  
MINUTES  
Nelson, British Columbia  
May 27, 2008

**THE FOURTH REGULAR MEETING** of the Nelson Police Board for the year 2008 was held at the Nelson Police Department Boardroom, 606 Stanley Street, Nelson, BC, on Tuesday, May 27, 2008.

PRESENT: Mayor John Dooley - Chair  
Director Anna Maskerine  
Director Barrie Taylor  
Director Leona Ashcroft

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Dan Maluta  
Inspector Henry Paivarinta  
Board Secretary Brita Wood  
Mike McIndoe – Incoming Director

## 1. ADOPT AGENDA

Moved by Director Taylor, seconded by Director Maskerine,  
And Resolved:

*That the Agenda be adopted as presented.*

**CARRIED**

## 2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Moved by Director Maskerine, seconded by Director Ashcroft,  
And Resolved:

*That the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Nelson Police Board of April 15, 2008, be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

### 3. PRESENTATIONS / AUDIENCE WITH BOARD

None

### 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

#### a. **2008 BCAPB Conference and AGM**

Director Ashcroft encouraged the Department to consider adopting three strategies suggested by Gordon Graham, speaker at the recent BCAPB Conference and AGM:

- i) Every Day a Training Day – program pop-up training opportunities and bulletins on the in-car video screens;
- ii) Harassment Issues – staff signing off annually, during the performance appraisal process, on recognizing the Department harassment policy, demonstrating due diligence on behalf of management;
- iii) Recruitment – each member should find one recruit per year to build a solid recruitment pool; Cst. Bill Andreaschuk represented the Nelson PD on the Conference Panel Discussion and proved himself to be an excellent choice to mentor new members.

Chief Maluta indicated he would be taking these issues to the next Department NCO meeting.

#### b. **Updated Strategic Plan Presentation to Council – April 21, 1008 - postponed**

Mayor Dooley asked the Board Secretary to reschedule the Board's presentation to Council with City Hall staff at an upcoming COW meeting. Chief Maluta and Director Maskerine will make the presentation as previously decided, and Mr. McIndoe will be introduced to Council as the new Municipal member.

#### c. **Board Appointments**

Mike McIndoe, in attendance, is the new Municipal member of the Nelson Police Board effective June 30, 2008. In the meantime, he will attend meetings and Board events and "shadow" Director Maskerine, the current Municipal member of the Board until her tenure expires. The Police Board has applied with Police Services to have Director Maskerine's term extended from June 30, 2008 to November 6, 2008, her full maximum term.

Bryan Smithson is the other new Board Director, effective immediately. Mr. Smithson is out of the country until June 2, 2008, but expects to attend the June Board meeting.

## 5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

### a. Chief's Report

The Chief reviewed his report, attached as **Appendix "A"**.

Inspector Paivarinta coordinated the Emergency Services Big Bike Team fundraiser for Heart and Stroke, held May 10. The team raised more than \$1700.00 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

### b. Inspector's Report

Attached as **Appendix "B"**.

Inspector Paivarinta reviewed the NPD 2008 statistics to date, comparing 2008 with the same period during 2007 and 2006. Motor vehicle accidents are on the rise; assaults are down significantly; and reported domestics down. If for example a stop sign is obscured, citizens are encouraged to report them to the City and they will be referred to the Traffic Safety Committee. Assist RCMP figures are up, in particular with responses to emergencies on Kootenay Lake. Assisting the public figures has increased significantly, possibly reflecting that the public is becoming more comfortable or more demanding in coming forward to ask for assistance.

### c. Financial Reports

#### Financial Reports for the Month ending April 2008

Building repair costs are over budget during the first quarter of 2008, due to the building's electrical panel requiring replacement. These costs are shared with the Library. Mayor Dooley suggested the Department explore with the Finance Department the feasibility of establishing a contingency reserve for building and equipment, to address unanticipated costs that will arise in the future.

The recently settled police contract salary increases will come from the City's global labour contingency fund.

Moved by Director Maskerine, seconded by Director Ashcroft,  
And Resolved:

*That the Department Reports be received.*

**CARRIED**

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## 6. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

### a. Director Maskerine

Director Maskerine indicated she has received much feedback about the recent BCAPB Conference hosted by the Nelson Police Board, including

the panel discussion, the companion package, the engaging presenter, the helicopter ride prizes, the dinner and dinner speaker and Corazon Youth Choir. All members agreed they were very proud to host this event in Nelson. Director Maskerine thanked Brita Wood for her contribution to the success of the Conference. Chief Maluta in turn thanked Director Maskerine for all her work on the planning and execution of the Conference.

Director Maskerine praised Cst. Jay Noppe for achieving a recent motorcycle award and enjoyed reading the coverage of this story in the Nelson Daily News.

**b. Mayor Dooley**

The Mayor has received excellent feedback from many people regarding the significant police presence in the downtown area.

Mayor Dooley attended the DARE graduation and the Sea Cadet event and praised the work and the representation of the Nelson Police members at these events.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**

- a. Letter from Doug Pierik, April 23, 2008**
- b. Reply to Mr. Pierik, April 24, 2008**

Chief Maluta clarified that Rodi De Vuono, named in this correspondence, is the City Transit Manager
- c. Memo to staff re Premier's Visit, April 30, 2008**
- d. E-mail from Premier's Protection Detail, April 30, 2008**
- e. D.A.R.E. Graduation Invitation, May 6, 2008**
- f. E-mail from Cst. Scott-Pryke re Police Camp, May 6, 2008**
- g. Thank You Letters Regarding BCAPB Conference, May 12, 2008**
  - Dana and Terry Barter
  - Steve Benwell
  - Kate Powell
  - Melissa Nesbitt
  - Harry Pringle
  - Cst. Bill Andreaschuk
  - Cst. Chris Mui
  - Cst. Courtney Cordrey
  - Sgt. John Price
  - Mike Roch
  - Cst. Janet Scott-Pryke
  - Glenn Hicks
  - Stacey Perri
  - Leah Best
  - Ads for Nelson Daily News and Express

Moved by Director Ashcroft, seconded by Director Maskerine,  
And Resolved:

*That the correspondence and information be accepted as presented.*

**CARRIED**

**8. NEW BUSINESS/LATE ITEMS**

None

**9. ADJOURNMENT/CONFIRM DATE FOR NEXT MEETING**

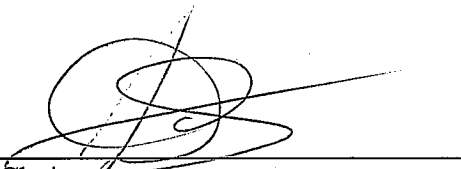
Moved by Director Maskerine, and seconded by Director Taylor,  
And Resolved:

*That the Fourth Regular Meeting of 2008 of the Nelson Police Board be adjourned, and the next meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 beginning at 3:00 pm.*

**CARRIED**

Certified Correct:

B. Wood  
Secretary

  
Chair

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, June 24, 2008  
Time: 3:00 pm - Nelson Police Department Board Room**

Appendix "A"  
Nelson Police Board Regular Meeting – May 27, 2008

**CHIEF'S REPORT FOR NELSON POLICE BOARD MEETING**  
**May 27, 2008**

*Regular Meeting*

**Service Delivery Trends**

During the 45-day period from the Board meeting of April 15, 535 calls were received in the CAD, for an average of 11.8 calls daily. During this same period, 120 persons were lodged in our lockup or an average of 2.6 arrested/detained persons each day. Peak demand was reached, as expected, during the Victoria Day long weekend of May 16-19, when 74 calls were generated in the CAD, or an average of 18.5 daily.

In addition to our daily duties, it was an extremely busy period for us due to several initiatives being undertaken, including the following: hosting the BC Association of Police Boards AGM and Conference; BC Association of Municipal Chiefs of Police Meeting; Police Camp for area high schools; a combined, three elementary school *DARE* graduation of 66 students; the Big Bike Ride for Heart & Stroke; security and colour guard for the AKBLG conference and Premier's visit.

**Investigations of Note**

**April 18** – A 27 year old former Nelson man is arrested for four counts of property damage to TELUS vehicles in the early hours of the morning. Questioning by detectives leads to admissions to two major arson fires- of a residence and a business- in 2005, and those crimes were solved. Damage from the arsons exceeded \$100,000. The accused is remanded in custody pending trial.

**May 2, 3** – Suspects rack up thousands of dollars of purchases from several stores in Nelson and Castlegar with credit cards stolen from two victims in Nelson. A 25 year-old man, a recent resident to the area and well-known to police, is subsequently arrested and held in custody.

**May 10** – Investigations are launched into two overnight commercial break-ins involving safe attacks and the theft of cash. Police are confident that DNA evidence left at the scene will lead them to a suspect.

**May 19** – Two 22 year-old Trail men and an 18 year-old Nelson woman are apprehended while intoxicated and engaging in a sex act in the 400 block Herridge Lane. They are well known to police and face a host of charges, including indecent exhibition, failing to comply with bail from other charges and obstructing a police officer. Police were alerted to the miscreants by an 11 year-old boy who was walking home through the lane.

## Community Policing Activities

### CPO Meetings and Programs:

**April 9** – Police Camp meeting for final booking of activities associated with planning the event. The helicopter was booked to fly in on the Saturday May 3, with the firing range booked for Sunday.

**April 9** – ICBC Traffic Safety Meeting – organized by Michelle Hargrave.

**April 10** – Met with a Videographer from Shaw Cable with regard to filming Police Camp. Initially, an interview to promote Police Camp was envisioned, but this evolved into sending a camera crew to cover Police Camp “in progress.” The segment was aired on May 5, 6, 7 and 10, 2008. An attempt is currently underway to obtain a copy of the segment for future promotion of Police Camp.

**April 17** – Nelson Community Services Board Meeting - attended as a Director on the Board.

**April 23** – Annual General Meeting for the Granite Pointe Golf Course. A presentation was made to the membership regarding the necessity of restricted licence plates on all golf carts because they cross Choquette Avenue. This was the first time the topic had been broached with the membership and is a significant civil liability issue.

**April 26** – Nelson RCMP – meeting to set the final Syllabus for the 2008 Nelson Police Camp.

**April 29, May 5 and May 14** – BC SPCA Benefit Concert Organizational Meeting at the Nelson Rec Complex. Discussions regarding security of event as organizers expect to sell 2200 tickets. Nelson Leafs reps involved. To date, 4 NPD members will be called out to attend the concert, with Reserve officers on duty in the parking lot.

**May 14** – *PARTY* Program Board Meeting – held in NPD Boardroom. Program now finished for the 07/08 school year. Fund raising still in progress but program considered a success to date with LV Rogers, Mt. Sentinel and Rossland Secondary students involved. Next year will add Kaslo and Salmo students.

### Initiatives:

Submissions were provided for the City Newsletter with respect to Driving Tips to Remember (as a reminder for Spring Break) and a note regarding the new NPD Website. The traffic issue at Josephine and Silica Streets was investigated regarding replacing the Yield sign with a Stop Sign for southbound traffic on Josephine crossing Silica St. The change to a stop sign was made on the basis of accident reports, intersection design, compliance with the national guidelines and anecdotal reporting of near misses.

**April 18** – Premier Campbell attended the Prestige Inn to speak at the AKBLG Conference. Provided the colour guard for the opening ceremonies for the conference along with 2 other members in dress uniform, and also were part of the security team present due to protests.

**April 19** – The *Courtney Cup* Charity Hockey Game. Attended as part of the colour guard for the opening ceremonies of the game. Courtney's Nelson Blueliners team played the NPD/RCMP team, with close to \$20,000 being raised.

**April 24** – Seminar put on by the Transition House Staff with respect to domestic violence.

**May 2-4** – Nelson Police Camp. 26 cadets from 5 high schools in the area participated in the very successful 3 day program which included Air Services, Identification Services, Drill, Physical Testing, Running, Community Policing, Firearms, Self Defence, Special Investigations and an attendance at the BC Association of Police Board's AGM and Conference, Prestige Lakeside Resort.

**May 5** – Torch Run to raise awareness for organ donation. NPD escorted 2 LV Rogers students as they ran from City Hall to LV Rogers Secondary. The Torch run is part of a cross-Canada initiative.

**May 6** – South Nelson Elementary School – NPD attended and took part in their Science Week by providing radar to gauge the speed of a baseball thrown by participating students. Fasted ball thrown – 66 kph!

**May 10** – Big Bike Ride to raise money for the BC Heart and Stroke Foundation. We put together a Nelson Emergency Services Team and Chief Maluta, Inspector Paivarinta, Cst. Scott-Pryke, Cst. Falcone, By-Law Officers Jordahl and Young all participated along with the Nelson Fire Department, the BC Ambulance Service and Nelson Search and Rescue. Our team raised almost \$2000.

**May 12** – NPD protocol for the 2008 Grad Cavalcade for LV Rogers Secondary School was finalized and sent out to the organizers at the school. The Cavalcade is to be held on June 7, 2008. The procession will be lead by our NPD motorcycle and Reserves will be in attendance to monitor intersections along the route.

### **Equipment and Infrastructure**

#### **9-1-1 Communications – Cell Block Infrastructure**

This project is expected to be completed by the end of June, in time for our busy summer period. The large capacity (18 terabyte) server is expected in two weeks, and some of the cell block cameras have already been installed.

Minor repairs and repainting are being conducted on all of our marked units now that spring conditions permit. We will gradually be phasing our new Badge onto uniform issue, eventually to include wallet badges and vehicles.

### **Report from Kootenay Integrated Road Safety Unit (IRSU)**

Members of West Kootenay IRSU were involved in 16 criminal interdictions over the past month, incidents ranging from arrests on outstanding escape lawful custody warrants to the seizure of a kilo of marihuana. A great deal of intelligence gleaned through the unit has been passed on to follow-up investigators.

Despite having a full complement of traffic members deployed for the May long weekend, which is historically marked by higher than average crash rates, the West Kootenay/Boundary still suffered 3 fatalities. Two of these involved victims on unlicensed ATV's operating on the highway, a tragic anomaly regarded as unpreventable through enforcement efforts.

**British Columbia Association of Municipal Chiefs of Police (BCAMCP)**

The Fifth Regular meeting of the Association was held in Nelson for the second time, on May 2, 2008. The Agenda is attached.

Dan Maluta  
Chief of Police

Appendix "B" Nelson Police Board Regular Meeting – May 27, 2008

**Inspector's Report**

**Inspector's Report - May 27, 2008 Regular Police Board Meeting**

**JANUARY 01 TO APRIL 30**

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Assault (Level 1)	8	16	11
Assault w/Weapon	1	9	6
Domestic - No Assault	13	26	13
B&E Res & Bus	10	21	26
Theft of Vehicle	2	8	9
Theft from Vehicle	17	41	29
Theft U/\$5000	96	98	99
Counterfeit	5	5	28
Cause Disturbance	24	32	8
Liquor Offences	83	88	59
Imp/Over .08	7	8	11
MVA +1000	62	36	40
Assist RCMP	29	21	16
Assist Public	726	681	552