



**GRANDE PRAIRIE
POLICE COMMISSION**

Regular Meeting

June 20, 2024

3:00 PM

Centre 2000, Al Robertson Room

Members of the public will have the opportunity to make a presentation or raise a question at a meeting, whether with respect to an item on the agenda or to make a general inquiry. If you wish to bring forward a question at the meeting or make a presentation, please contact the Executive Director at lsitler@cityofgp.com at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. (Complaints about officer conduct will not be topics for this forum).

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Minutes of May 16, 2024, Commission meeting

4.2 Correspondence

a) Grande Prairie Aboriginal Circle of Services Invitation

5. INQUIRIES BY THE PUBLIC

6. BUSINESS ARISING

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Caribou Child & Youth Centre presentation – Jacquie Aitken and Candace Fournier

7.2 CAPG Call for Nominations

8. STANDING ITEMS

8.1 Chair Report

8.2 Chief Report

a) Monthly Report – June 20, 2024

8.3 Public Complaint Director Report

8.4 Executive Director Report

8.5 Committee Updates

- a) Finance Committee – Chair, Commissioner Burnham
- b) Policy & Governance Committee – Chair, Commissioner Koch
- c) Personnel Committee – Chair, Commissioner Reiman
 - i. Chief of Police Probationary Review

9. ROUND TABLE

10. CLOSED SESSION

- 10.1 Personnel – FOIP – Sec. 17(4)
- 10.2 Law Enforcement Matters – FOIP – Sec. 20(1)
- 10.3 Public Complaint Director – FOIP – Sec. 24(1)
- 10.4 Professional Standards – FOIP – Sec. 17(4)

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

12. NEXT MEETING

13. ADJOURNMENT



**GRANDE PRAIRIE
POLICE COMMISSION**

**MEETING MINUTES
May 16, 2024
Al Robertson Room, Centre 2000**

Attendees: Commissioner Dan Wong
Commissioner Natalia Reiman
Commissioner Timothy Burnham
Commissioner Donna Koch
Commissioner Lois Duke (Virtual)
Commissioner Warren Travasso
Commissioner Dylan Bressey

Others: Lorrie Sitler, Executive Director (Commission)
Dwayne Lakusta, Chief of Police
John Respet, Superintendent
Darrin Balanik, Executive Director (GPPS)
Jodie Boyne, Senior Strategic Advisor (Virtual)
Jacqueline Daigneault, Administrative Assistant

Regrets: Commissioner Kevin O'Toole
Greg Redl, Superintendent

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Wong called the meeting to order at 3:45 PM
 - 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
 - 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved by: Commissioner Travasso
Carried Unanimously

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Discussion on moving larger 3rd party reports to shared folder.

Moved by: Commissioner Burnham

Carried Unanimously

5. INQUIRIES BY THE PUBLIC

Nothing to report.

6. BUSINESS ARISING

Nothing to report.

7. STANDING ITEMS

7.1. Chair Report

7.2. Chief Report

a) Chief’s Report – May 16, 2024

Motion to accept the Chief’s Monthly Report dated May 16, 2024.

Moved By: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously

7.3. Public Complaint Director Report

Nothing to report.

7.4. Executive Director Report

7.5. Committee Updates

a) Finance Committee – Chair, Commissioner Burnham

i. 2023 GPPS Transition Year End Budget Report

ii. 2024 GPPS 1st Quarter Transition Budget Update

Motion to approve the 2023 GPPS Transition Budget Year End Report and 2024 1st Quarter Transition Budget Update.

Chair

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Moved By: Commissioner Burnham

Carried Unanimously

- b) Policy & Governance Committee – Chair, Commissioner Koch
Nothing to report.
- c) Personnel Committee – Chair, Commissioner Reiman
Nothing to report.
- d) Logo Committee

Motion to approve the simplified logo version as presented.

Moved By: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously

Motion to receive the website and branding elements presented as information.

Moved By: Commissioner Bressey

Carried Unanimously

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Correspondence

- a) CAPG Conference Sponsorship

Discussion on sponsorship.

Motion to have Policy & Governance Committee look at policies on sponsorships.

Moved By: Commissioner Bressey

Seconded By: Commissioner Travasso

Carried Unanimously

- b) CAPG Awards

Discussion on awards

9. ROUND TABLE

Discussion on the value of AAPG Conference attendance.



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Motion to move into closed session in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act and specified sections of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Moved By: Commissioner Burnham
Carried Unanimously

Motion to return to open session.

Moved By: Commissioner Bressey
Carried Unanimously

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

12. NEXT MEETING – June 20, 2024, at 3:00 pm, Centre 2000, Al Robertson Room

13. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Wong adjourned the meeting at 5:55 PM

Date

Chair

Date

Executive Director

Chair

ED



Grande Prairie Aboriginal Circle of Services

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Dear Grande Prairie Police Service & Commission,

RE: Invitation to the 5th Annual Grande Prairie Traditional Pow Wow

I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. On behalf of the Pow Wow Planning Committee, we are delighted to extend a formal invitation to you and your esteemed organization staff and their families to join us at the 5th Annual Grande Prairie Traditional Pow Wow, which will take place on June 21st, 22nd, and 23rd at the Bonnett's Energy Centre in Grande Prairie, Alberta.

This year's Pow Wow will be the first three-day Pow Wow hosted by Grande Prairie Aboriginal Circle of Services in Grande Prairie at Bonnett's Energy Centre. We are thrilled also to be hosting the annual Hand Games Tournament and developing a more robust Indigenous Market with more vendors and many handcrafted products from artisans across Turtle Island.

We believe your presence at the Grande Prairie Traditional Pow Wow would honour our event. Your support would contribute significantly to the success of this gathering and further strengthen the bonds between communities.

Please confirm your attendance and provide us with the names of any accompanying delegates so we can finalize the arrangements for the Grand Entries. We also invite a GPPS dignitary to participate in each Grand Entry. The Grand Entry Schedule is attached to this letter.

Please contact me at gppowwow@gmail.com or **780-512-3985** to RSVP or for additional information.

Thank you for considering our invitation, and we look forward to your positive response. Your presence at the 5th Annual Grande Prairie Traditional Pow Wow will undoubtedly contribute to Grande Prairie's efforts toward advancing Truth and Reconciliation in our community.

Yours in partnership,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Warren R. Nekurak".

Warren R. Nekurak
Pow Wow Chair

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Grand Entry Schedule

Friday, June 21st, at 7 pm.

Saturday, June 22nd, at 1 pm and 7 pm.

Sunday, June 23rd, at 1 pm.

Hand Games Schedule

Saturday, June 22nd, at 11 am

Sunday, June 23rd, at 11 am

Hand Games (Northern Style) are open to teams of 8, \$500 entry fee. Everyone is welcome to enter a team. Please see the Grande Prairie Traditional Pow Wow page on Facebook to enter a team.

Indigenous Market

If you have any agencies, businesses, or vendors from your organization, please visit our Facebook page to register for the Indigenous Market this year. Booths do not have to be selling items; we are also including booths for information. Details are in the "vendor registration form."

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
2024**

We are pleased to invite nominations to the CAPG Board of Directors for the term 2024-2026.

The following chart lists the positions that are vacant on the CAPG Board of Directors and those with terms that expire at the **Annual General Meeting to be held at the 2024 AGM & Conference in Halifax, Nova Scotia at 12:00 pm Atlantic Time on Sunday, August 11, 2024.**

The deadline for receipt of nomination papers is 5:00 PM WEDNESDAY, June 30, 2024.

The chart below shows directors with terms expiring in 2024 and vacant seats.

Directors elected at the 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) for 2-year term	Position	Term expires at the AGM in 2024
1. Oluyemi (Yemi) Akindoju, Halifax Regional Municipality Board of Police Commissioners	Director NS	
2. Amtul Siddiqui, Calgary Police Commission	Director AB	
3. Dan Bellegarde, File Hills Board of Police Commissioners	Director FN	
4. Andrew Minor, Manitoba Police Commission	Director Non-Police Board Organization	
Director with an interim appointment in 2023 for a term expiring at the AGM in August 2024.		Term expires 2024
5. Nadine Spencer, Toronto Police Services Board	Director ON	
Other Vacancies to be elected at the 2024 AGM for a two-year term expiring 2026		
1. 1 director (never filled)	Director NS	
2. 1 director (Jen Lawson resigned)	Director ON	
3. 1 director (never filled)	Director First Nations	
4. 1 director (Jo Custead term ended Dec 23)	Director SK	
5. 1 director (Erick Ambtman term ending)	Director AB	
6. 1 director (Cheney Cloke resigned)	Director BC	
7. 1 director (Firth Bateman)	Director BC	
Directors elected at the 2023 AGM for a two-year term expiring in 2025		Term expires 2025
1. Lori Bresciani, Regina Board of Police Commissioners		
2. Jeff Knoll, Halton Police Services Board		
3. Markus Chambers, Winnipeg Police Board		
4. Kevin Darling, Kennebecassis Regional Board of Police Commissioners		
5. Micki Ruth, Non-Police Board representative		

There is a total of 12 vacancies that need to be filled.

The directors listed above are eligible to put their name forward for re-election but this does not preclude any and all eligible and interested candidates from submitting their own nomination for each vacancy.

*The CAPG by-laws were amended in 2022 to include a new category of Director:

“Non-Police Board Representative” means an individual that is not on a Canadian police board or Canadian police commission but has previously served on a Canadian police board or Canadian police commission;

****This position includes the financial support of the CAPG to attend 1 face-to-face meeting and the annual conference when warranted and financially feasible. The rationale behind creating this position is to allow CAPG to benefit from the years of experience and knowledge police governors take with them when their terms expire.***

PROCESS

Nominations are an important responsibility of our members. The effectiveness and success of the CAPG depends on the strength and quality of your volunteer board. It is up to you to propose nominees who will bring the necessary competencies, including diversity, inclusivity, education and experience and most importantly a commitment to the success of the CAPG board and organization.

Attached to this email are the following:

- **Schedule A** is the form to be used by nominees who are **members of police boards and commissions.**
- **Schedule B** is the form to be used by nominees who are applying as a **non-police board representative.**

Please submit your nomination forms electronically to the attention of, Chair, Nominations Committee at the following address: sreid@capg.ca before Sunday, June 30, 2024. **The deadline for receipt of nomination papers is Sunday, June 30, 2024 at 5:00 PM.**

Following the receipt of nominations and identification of eligible candidates, the Nominations Committee will present a slate for election (or acclamations) at the Annual General Meeting on **Sunday, August 11, 2024 at 8:00 AM.**

When more than one qualified nomination is received for the same vacancy the Nominations Committee will advise that this will require an election to be held by a confidential electronic ballot at the Annual General Meeting on August 11, 2024 at 8:00 AM. Each candidate will be given time to address the members to support their election.

If you have any questions, please feel free to send them to sreid@capg.ca.

SCHEDULE A

Nomination Form

TO BE SIGNED BY BOARD/COMMISSION CHAIR/VICE CHAIR AND NOMINEE:

We _____, being members of the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG), nominate _____ for the position of director _____ on the CAPG.

We also confirm that:

- We are members in good standing of the Association and have paid our annual membership dues;
- The nominee resides in the province where their Police Board or Commission is located;
- The nominee is willing to commit to the Association for a two-year term;
- The nominee and their Police Board or Commission commits the financial support of their nominee to attend the annual conference of CAPG;
- The nominee has the financial support of their Police Board or Commission to attend planning and advocacy meetings (estimated financial commitment of \$5,000)
- The nominee is able to participate in a two-hour bi-monthly teleconference board meeting;
- The nominee is willing to sit on at least one CAPG committee that meets bi-monthly;
- The nominee commits to participate in a one-hour bi-monthly teleconference committee meeting; and
- The nominee agrees to actively participate and engage in the work of the CAPG.

Nominee:

I _____ being a member of, _____ consent to this nomination. I am currently a _____ (provincial, municipal, citizen appointment) representative on my police board/commission and I have _____ years left to serve. I am eligible for another reappointment for _____ years.

Name:

Date:

Signature:

Email:

Chair or Vice Chair of Board/Commission:

Name:

Date:

Signature:

Email:

DECLARATION OF INTEREST TO SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

I am interested in putting my name forward for the following position(s) for the 2024 term:

POSITION	NAME
President	
Vice President	
Treasurer	
Secretary	

SCHEDULE B

Nomination Form for Non-Police Board Representative

TO BE SIGNED BY NOMINEE

I _____, having been a member of _____ police board or police commission, who were members of the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG), nominate myself for the position of **Non-Police Board Representative** on the CAPG.

I confirm that:

- I am willing to commit to the Association for a two-year term;
- I am willing to participate in a two-hour bi-monthly teleconference board meeting;
- I am willing to sit on at least one CAPG committee that meets bi-monthly;
- I am willing to commit to participate in a one-hour bi-monthly teleconference committee meeting; and
- I am willing to agree to actively participate and engage in the work of the CAPG.

Nominee:

Name:

Date:

Signature:

Email:

Please attach a letter that outlines your reasons why you want to be a member of the CAPG Board of Directors including any relevant skills, knowledge, experience and accomplishments that enhance your application.

In the spirit of fairness, we will not accept any attachments that are longer than two pages.



Chief's Monthly Update To The Grande Prairie Police Commission

Meeting: GPPC Public Meeting

DATE: 2024 June 20

Ongoing Initiatives

1. On May 28, Chief Lakusta and Chair Wong, presented financial updates to the Grande Prairie City Council. The report was well received as we continue to trend on budget with significant milestones reached over the past nine months.
2. Our first experienced officer class began on May 27 and is set to graduate on June 21. The class of five members has progressed well and we are very pleased with the calibre of the members.
3. In partnership with the NWP and the Native Friendship Centre, our first Indigenous Awareness training class took place on May 30. The five new officers, executive team and GPPS staff members attended the session which included a blanket exercise. The facilitators were great to work with and the training was invaluable. There were many takeaways which will assist us on our path to inclusion and reconciliation.
4. The Community Engagement Team has been deployed and have received positive feedback from the Downtown Business Association. We will continue to monitor their activity and deploy accordingly to address social disorder activity impacting the quality of life for GP businesses and residents.
5. Ongoing efforts are continuing to assess the work conducted by our Mobile Outreach Team. KPI's will be identified to measure the success of the program with a goal to reduce the vulnerable population.
6. Grande Prairie Police Transition Governance Committee, Joint Management Team –
 - Ongoing meetings have taken place and we anticipate the MOU, HR plan, and Assignment Agreement will be finalized shortly. These documents are required for the deployment of our officers.
7. We have finalized Terms and Conditions for our officers. This document is required until such time the membership forms an Association and establishes a Collective Bargaining Agreement.
8. A comprehensive report was provided to the GoA outlining all the work completed to date to establish the Grande Prairie Police Service. The report provides financial details associated to the grant funds provided by the GoA. Efforts will begin focus on the key deliverables required by PSES to declare us the Police of Jurisdiction (POJ) in 2026.



Chief's Monthly Update To The Grande Prairie Police Commission

New

1. Chief Lakusta attended Calgary Police Headquarters on June 12, to meet with the Police Review Commission working group.
2. Chief Lakusta has accepted a position on the Board of the Alberta Centre to End Trafficking in Persons. He attended the first meeting in person on June 19th, in Calgary.
3. Chief Lakusta attended a Drone presentation in Cochrane on June 13, in an effort to design and implement Drone technology in our service.
4. Chief Lakusta attended a virtual AACP Executive meeting on June 11 to discuss a number of initiatives of mutual interest.