

FORMALLY ADOPTED OCTOBER 13, 2005

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING  
MEDICINE HAT POLICE COMMISSION  
HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 08, 2005 AT 7:15 PM  
AT THE POLICE SERVICE ADMINISTRATION BOARDROOM**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson W. Anhorn  
Vice Chair D. MacDonald  
Mr. W. Stark  
Alderman R. Dumanowski  
Alderman J. Friesen  
Chief N. Boucher  
D/Chief G. Earl  
Inspector M. Morton  
Inspector A. McGrogan

**ALSO:** Ms. S. Schneider

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**1. INTRODUCTION OF NEW RECRUITS**

Constables Adam Gregory, David Brown, Linnea Chambers, and David Allen who just returned from Recruit Training in Lethbridge, were introduced to the Police Commission.

**2. MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2005 MEETING**

**Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Stark, moved the minutes be adopted as presented. CARRIED.**

**3. CHIEF'S REPORT**

**A) Trends & Statistics (including Bylaw Enforcement)**

Inspector Morton provided an overview of the trends and statistics. Ticket statistics show Police officers and S/Csts. are embracing the priorities set by the Police Commission to make safer roads in the City by 2008. The Police Service is encouraged by the education by enforcement aspect and we will be able to make changes in driving behaviour concerning traffic infractions. The Traffic Unit has taken an educational role in the new Load Securement Laws.

Inspector McGrogan provided an overview of the Bylaw statistics. Council has approved the Traffic, Streets, and Waste Bylaw fine increases, with an implementation date of December 01, 2005. The Traffic Unit will develop an information strategy for the public.

Chief thanked City Council for reviewing and updating these bylaws.

**Alderman Friesen, seconded by Alderman Dumanowski, moved that the Chief's Report be accepted. CARRIED.**

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**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**A) Family Violence Unit**

Sgt. D. Sharpe provided an overview of the Family Violence Unit, which was implemented in November 2004. The Unit consists of two Medicine Hat Police Service officers and a Child Protection Worker. There is enhanced communication between the Police Service and Child Protection, with past statistics showing 1 to 2 reports per month increasing to 25 to 30 reports of domestic violence per month.

**B) Media training**

Media training will be provided to Sergeants to ensure the public receives information in a timely manner.

**C) Policeman's Ball**

The Policeman's Ball will be held on October 01, 2005 at the Callaghan Inn.

**D) Medicine Hat Police Service Parade**

Chief Boucher will present the 2006 Priorities at the Parade in January.

**E) Single Site Training Academy**

Chief Boucher advised several meetings have been held to discuss a Single Site Training Academy in Alberta. Letters have been sent to communities and colleges requesting an expression of interest. A Request for Proposal (RFP) will be requested from those interested. The Medicine Hat College, in partnership with the City, Redcliff, Cypress County, and the Base, will hold meetings to review the requirements. Chief Boucher has offered to assist the College with the preparation of the RFP.

**F) Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACCP) Conference**

Chairperson Anhorn attended the CACP Conference and found it to be very educational.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

**Chairperson Anhorn declared the meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.**