### **POLICE ADVISORY BOARD**

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 1:30 PM Council Chambers 181 Coldbrook Village Park Drive

### AGENDA

1.	Roll Call	Craig Gibson
2.	Swearing In or Affirming of New Board Members	Craig Gibson
3.	Election of Chair	Craig Gibson
4.	Election of Vice Chair	Chair
5.	Amendments to the Agenda	All
6.	Approval of the Agenda	All
7.	Disclosure of Conflict-of-Interest Issues	All
8.	Approval of the Minutes of December 18, 2024	All
9.	Business Arising from the Minutes	All
10.	RCMP Activity Report	RCMP
11.	New Business  a. Police Board Training  b. 2025 Meeting Schedule  c. Nova Scotia Association of Police Governance Update  d. Police Advisory Board Work Plan	Department of Justice Craig Gibson Craig Gibson Craig Gibson
12.	Round Table Discussion	All
13.	Correspondence	All
14.	Date of Next Meeting – to be determined	All
15.	Adjournment	Chair

### **POLICE ADVISORY BOARD**

### Wednesday, December 18, 2024, 1:30 pm

#### **Draft Minutes**

Meeting, Date and Time

A meeting of the Police Advisory Board (PAB) was held on Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 1:30 pm in Council Chambers at 181 Coldbrook

Village Park Drive.

**Attending** 

Committee Members Councillor Christina Sappington – Chair

Councillor Bob Best – Vice Chair

Debra Windle-Smith – Citizen Member: East Mike Schroeder – Citizen Member: Central Nicole Vandenhof – Provincial Appointee

Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)

S/Sgt. Ed Nugent

**Municipal Staff** 

Terry Brown – Manager of Inspection & Enforcement Craig Gibson – Emergency Services Coordinator Laurie-Ann Clarke – Recording Secretary

Absent

Councillor Robbie Hiltz

1. Call to Order

Terry Brown, Manager of Inspection & Enforcement, called the meeting

to order at 1:37 pm

2. Swearing in or Affirming of New Board Members Councillors Best and Sappington were sworn in.

3. Election of Chair

Mr. Brown called for nominations for PAB Chair. Councillor Best nominated Councillor Sappington and she accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations. Councillor Sappington was acclaimed as Chair and took over chairing the meeting.

4. Election of Vice Chair

The Chair nominated Councillor Best as Vice Chair and he accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations. Councillor Best was acclaimed as Vice Chair.

5. Amendments to the Agenda

None

6. Approval of the Agenda

On motion of Councillor Best and Ms. Vandenhof, that the Police Advisory Board approve the December 18, 2024, meeting agenda as circulated.

The question was called on the motion. **Motion carried.** 

7. Disclosure of Conflict-of-Interest Issues There were no conflict-of-interest issues disclosed.

- 8. Approval of Minutes
  - a. May 15, 2024

On motion of Mr. Schroeder and Ms. Windle-Smith, that the minutes of the Police Services Advisory Committee meeting held on May 15, 2024, be approved as circulated.

The question was called on the motion. Motion carried.

9. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

#### 10. New Business

a. Review of Bylaw #111 – Police Advisory Board Mr. Brown provided a brief overview of By-law #111 included in the meeting's <u>agenda package</u>, noting that there had recently been revisions bringing the Municipality's by-law in line with the Nova Scotia Police Act.

b. Pedestrian Safety Discussion Mr. Brown spoke to a traffic incident in North Kentville involving a pedestrian on a crosswalk. S/Sgt. Nugent indicated that there were no injuries in the incident and ice-covered windows may have been the cause.

c. Police Priorities
Work Plan

Mr. Brown asked members to consider their priorities for the Board ahead of the first meeting of 2025.

11. RCMP Activity Report

S/Sgt. Nugent provided a review of the RCMP Activity Report included in the meeting <u>agenda package</u>.

12. Round Table Discussion

The Chair asked about the possibility of visiting the RCMP detachment in New Minas for a tour and S/Sgt. will arrange a date and time. Members of the public will be able to pre-register if they wish to attend.

Mr. Brown noted that the committee has one vacancy- a citizen member from the Western end of the Municipality. Applications are open.

Ms. Vandenhof requested to invite the Department of Justice (DOJ) to present on the role of the Provincial Appointee on the PAB. Mr. Brown or Mr. Gibson will arrange with the DOJ. Ms. Vandenhof asked S/Sgt. Nugent about RCMP/community engagement during the holidays, and he provided examples of community outreach including radio advertisements, participating in the New Minas holiday parade, and members of the detachment sponsoring families.

**13. Correspondence** There was no new correspondence.

**14. Date of Next Meeting** The next meeting of PAB will be Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at

1:30 pm –location to be determined.

15. Adjournment On motion of Ms. Vandenhof and Mr. Schroeder, the meeting

adjourned at 3:24 pm.

The question was called on the motion. Motion carried.

Approved by:

Police Advisory Board Month-Day-Year





October - December 2024
Kings District RCMP



### **Kings District Employees**

Inspector Rob Jodrey is the Kings District Commander and Staff Sergeant Ed Nugent manages Operations.

Forty general duty constables police Kings District as first responders. These officers are supervised by eight corporals, two sergeants, and one staff sergeant.

The Kings East School Safety Resource Officer is Cst. Jennifer Britton and the Kings West School Safety Resource Officer is Cst. Jeff Wilson.

A corporal supervisor heads up both our General Investigation Section (GIS) and our Street Crime Enforcement Unit (SCEU). GIS consists of two constable investigators, while SCEU is an integrated team consisting of two Kings District RCMP constables and one constable from the Kentville Police Service.

Kings District has ten Detachment Services Assistants who perform administrative functions at the three Kings District offices.











### **Annual Performance Plan**

The Kings District Annual Performance Plan runs from April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Objectives of Annual Performance Plan include:

- Safe Roads and Safe Highways in Nova Scotia
   During this quarter (October to December) Kings District members charged 19 people with impaired driving or refusing to provide a breath sample, issued 1 roadside suspensions for drug and/or alcohol use, issued 280 summary offence tickets and 131 warnings, and conducted 34 check stops.
- Crime Prevention Property Crime
  Kings District senior managers held public meetings in several County
  communities last year to hear and address residents' concerns about
  thefts and vandalism, and are planning another such meeting in Quarter
  3 of 2024. Enforcement efforts continue across the County of Kings.
  Members continue to conduct physical checks on offenders/accused
  parties who are on court ordered curfews or house arrest, with the goal
  of preventing recidivism. Kings Members conducted at least 38 individual
  curfew checks over the last three months, and I'm missing data for two
  weeks in that period so there were likely more.

Community Engagement – Municipal/Indigenous governments &

Stakeholder groups
The Kings District's dedicated First Nations Policing officer continues to build relationships and mutual trust and understanding in local communities. Kings district senior managers met several times this past quarter with the Chiefs and Councils of both local First Nations to discuss issues of priority for the community. Kings managers and other members continue to meet and correspond with many other stakeholder groups through the County as well.



### **Calls for Service**

From October 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> Kings District members responded to 2,767 service calls. See the chart below for a breakdown of the service calls:

	ype of Crime & Occurrence ype	Oct	Nov	Dec	Quarterly Total		
		2024	2024	2024	Total		
Crimes Against Persons							
	Offences Related to Death	0	0	0	0		
	Sexual Offences	9	10	9	28		
	Assault	44	28	28	100		
	Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction	0	1	0	1		
	Robbery	0	0	1	1		
	Extortion / Intimidation	0	0	0	0		
	Criminal Harassment	11	8	2	21		
	Indecent   Harassing Comm.	0	0	0	0		
	Uttering Threats	21	24	22	67		
P	roperty Crime						
	Arson	0	0	0	0		
	Break and Enter	16	9	9	34		
	Unlawfully in a Dwelling House	2	0	0	2		
	Theft Over	1	3	1	5		
	Theft of Motor Vehicle	2	2	2	6		
	Theft of Other MV / Motorcycle	0	2	2	4		
	Take MV w/o Consent	1	0	1	2		
	Theft Under	29	23	28	80		
	Shoplifting	12	12	10	34		
	Theft (mail, bicycle, et al)	2	2	1	5		
	Theft from Motor Vehicle	1	3	0	4		
	Possession of Stolen Goods	2	2	2	6		
	Fraud	26	22	15	63		
	Identity Theft	0	0	2	2		
	Mischief	44	35	48	127		
D	rug Enforcement						
	Possession	1	0	0	1		
	Trafficking	3	1	1	5		



	Import/Export	0	0	0	0
	Production	0	0	0	0
	Other	3	0	0	3
T	raffic				0
	Dangerous Op of MV	1	2	0	3
	Impaired by Alcohol	21	8	10	39
	Impaired by Drug	0	0	0	0
	Failure/Refusal	1	1	1	3
	Driving while Disqualified	4	8	1	13
	Fail to Stop or Remain	15	3	8	26
	Seatbelt Violation	2	0	1	3
	Intersection Violation	1	2	0	3
	Speeding Violation	72	45	17	134
	Insurance Violation	2	2	1	5
	Road Side Suspension (Alcohol)	1	0	0	1
	Road Side Suspension (Drug)	0	0	0	0
	Collision - Fatal	2	0	0	2
	Collision - Non - Fatal Injury	6	10	13	29
	Collision - Reportable	43	32	47	122
	Collision - Non Reportable	18	13	29	60
	Off-Road Vehicle Collision	1	0	0	1
	Municipal By-laws	0	0	2	2
	Other Traffic Offence/Violation	109	71	70	250
	Other Traffic Related Duties	3	5	1	9
	Checkstop	4	3	14	21
0	ther				
	911 Call	34	43	33	110
	Breach of Court Order	19	19	15	53
	Liquor Act	10	3	8	21
	Mental Health Act	54	48	25	127
	Missing Person	34	37	41	112
	Municipal Bylaw - Other	4	1	6	11
	Other	205	140	144	489
	Suspicious P V P	41	29	36	106
	Trespass At Night	1	0	0	1
	Wellbeing Check	0	0	0	0
T	otal Founded & SUI	1020	808	801	2,629



Occurrences				
Total Occurrences*	1070	855	842	2,767

\*Includes Unfounded and Unsubstantiated

### Significant Investigations

Members have been busy responding to various types of calls yet continue to be proactive with traffic enforcement and other self-generated work. The following are a couple of the significant investigations we undertook in the last three months:

## Port Williams man falls victim to serious fraud File 20241714850

November 2024: A Port Williams man reported that he started investing with what he believed was a United Kingdom company in late October. In the intervening time period he invested over sixty thousand dollars in the company. When he attempted to withdraw money from his 'investments', he was told he had to pay capital gains tax to a numbered company in Ontario. After making some payments the complainant began to realize that he might be the target of a scam and reported the events to police. Attempts were made to freeze his last transfer of over \$34,000 and were ultimately successful. The investigation is still ongoing and it is both complex and farreaching.

## Collision in highway construction zone results in tragic deaths File 20241507179

October 12, 2024: Kings District members responded to a 9-1-1 report of a multi-vehicle collision on Highway 101 in a construction zone between Exits 10 and 11 that reduced the highway to one lane. A nine-year-old boy and his 66-year-old grandmother were killed and the boy's 40-year-old mother was seriously injured when a transport truck driven by a 51-year-old male suspect crashed at high speed into a line of stopped vehicles at a temporary traffic light. The vehicle in which the deceased parties were passengers was the first struck by the transport truck and was catastrophically damaged. At least two other parties suffered significant injuries when three other vehicles in the line



were thrown off the road and/or overturned. A Collision Analyst and Reconstructionist attended and conducted an analysis of the scene. It was confirmed that the suspect driver was **not** under the influence of alcohol. He was arrested for dangerous driving causing death (two counts) and later released with a pending court date. The matter is still before the courts.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this report or any other community matters, please feel free to contact me.

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Objective: 1

Explore and advise on strategies related to the Police Advisory Board (PAB)

Action Items	Expected Outcomes	Timelines &	Lead/Partners
		Responsibility	
Increase PAB's accountability,	Read: MOK By-Law #102, Committees Governance By-Law	Ongoing	Manager of Inspection & Enforcement
ensuring the necessary structures are in	Read: By-Law #111, Police Advisory Board	PAB members and Emergency Services	Officer in Charge Kings District RCMP or designate.
place to determine the priorities' objective and goals	Read: ADMIN 01-016, Administration of Standing and Advisory Committees of Council Policy.	Coordinator/ Liaison Officer (ESC)	
of the Board.	Read: Police Regulations under Sections 97 (1) NS Police Act. Sections 82,83 & 84.	,	
	Read: RCMP Advisory Board Requirements, NS Police Act (2004)		
PAB members to attend Police Board Training	Clarify the Boards' administrative procedures.	PAB & ESC, February 2025	Department of Justice and Public Safety, Nova Scotia



## Objective :2

### Presentations from Municipality of the County of Kings staff and Kings District RCMP

Action Items	Expected Outcomes	Timelines & Responsibility	Lead/Partners
Through presentations received from the Kings District RCMP, PAB will have a better understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the Police.	RCMP Kings District to give quarterly presentations and or provide information to the PAB regarding police priorities, such as but no limited to: Patrol and Traffic Safety, Community Policing, Crime Prevention, clarity in the role of dealing with people who are unhoused in Kings County.  Feedback from PAB welcomed.	February, May, September & December 2025	Officer in Charge Kings District RCMP or designate  Emergency Services Coordinator/ Liaison Officer



Objective: 3

Presentations from the Nova Scotia Department of Justice and Public Safety.

Action Items	Expected Outcomes	Timelines &	Lead/Partners
		Responsibility	
Through	Based on information released from the	May 2025	Manager of Inspection & Enforcement
presentations from	Nova Scotia Department of Justice, the PAB		
the Department of	shall review and provide feedback to the		
Justice and Public	Kings District RCMP and discuss any issues	September	Officer in Charge Kings District RCMP
Safety, PAB	concerning provincial goals/objectives and	2025	or designate.
members will have	police priorities.		
a better		PAB	
understanding of			
the roles and		ESC/Liaison	
responsibilities of		Officer	
the Provincial			
Government and			
Justice			
Department.			



Objective: 4

Prepare PAB report for Mayor and Council.

Action Items	Expected Outcomes	Timelines &	Lead/Partners
		Responsibility	
Through Quarterly	From presentations and reviewing quarterly	PAB Chair &	Officer in Charge Kings District RCMP
reports from the	reports from Kings District RCMP PAB	ESC/ Liaison	or designate.
RCMP, PAB	members and ESC to assist the Chair of PAB	Officer	
members will have	in preparing a Mayor and Council report for		Manager of Inspection and
a better	review and comments.	February, May,	Enforcement.
understating of the		September,	
roles, duties, and		December	
priorities of Kings		2025	
District RCMP.			



Objective: 5

Attend Police Community Relations presentations /events.

Action Items	Expected Outcomes	Timelines &	Lead/Partners
		Responsibilities	
The Municipality of	Municipality of the County of Kings	Ongoing	Officer in Charge of Kings District
the County of Kings	Emergency Services Coordinator to meet		RCMP
ESC will notify PAB	monthly with Senior Operations NCO of	Senior	
members of Kings	Kings District RCMP.	Operations	Manager of Inspections and
District RCMP	The ESC will advise the PAB of any RCMP	NCO, Kings	Enforcement
Community	invitations for PAB members to attend such	District RCMP	
Relations or events	as public meetings or community policing		
taking place in the	events.	ESC/Liaison	
Municipality of the		Officer	
County of Kings.			



Objective: 6

Develop Police Advisory Work Plan for 2025

Action Items	Expected	Timelines &	Lead/Partners
	Outcomes	Responsibility	
"Police Advisory Board Work Plan" is to be completed for each fiscal year. The PAB will participate in the development of the 2025	Ongoing	PAB	Officer in Charge Kings District RCMP
/2026 Work Plan in consultation with the ESC in providing feedback and input on each objective. The 2026 Work Plan is to be completed by April 2026.	Annual Review	ESC/ Liaison Officer	Manager of Inspection and Enforcement