

November 6, 2025, 530pm
STELLARTON, NOVA SCOTIA

MEETING

A regular scheduled meeting of the Stellarton Police Commission was held on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the large committee room, Town Hall.

PRESENT

Co-Chair D. Taylor, Comm P. Kay, Comm P. Lloyd, Comm D. Guthro. CAO Alanna Grover, Insp Chris Pond and Chief Mark Hobeck.

Regrets

Chair D. Stroud, Comm S. Campbell and Comm G. Pentz.

Approval of Agenda

Co-Chair D. Taylor asked for a Motion to approve the agenda. Comm P. Lloyd made a motion that the agenda be approved. Seconded by Comm P. Kay. **Motion Carried.**

Approval of the Minutes

Co-Chair D. Taylor then asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 2nd Commission meeting. Comm P. Lloyd made a motion that the minutes be approved. Seconded by Comm D. Guthro. **Motion Carried.**

Business Arising from the Minutes

Comm P. Lloyd asked the capacity of Roots for Youth. Chief Hobeck responded that there are 10-12 beds.

Monthly Activity Report- October 2025

Chief Hobeck reported a very busy month of October with 252 calls for service, up from 196 for the same month the previous year. Chief Hobeck stated that the "Take Back the Night" event was well attended with 40-50 people taking part. There was also the "Trick or Trail" event in Trenton that Cst Grant MacAdam attended. Co-Chair D. Taylor asked for a motion to approve the report. Comm P. Lloyd made a motion that the report be approved. Seconded by Comm D. Taylor. **Motion Carried.**

July YTD Financial Police Commission Report

CAO Alanna Grover reported that this would be the last submission from Brenda MacKay who has retired and the next report for July and August will be presented at the next Commission meeting and would be submitted by Brenda's replacement, Bonnie Coulter. CAO Grover reported that at the end of June, Police should be at about 33% of budget and were at 33.8%, which is "right on target". CAO Grover stated that going forward there will be a Financial Report presented at each Commission meeting until December and then senior staff begin budget talks.

Correspondence, Hayley Crichton, ED, Dept of Justice

CAO Grover stated that she, along with all provincial CAOs received an email from Haley Crichton (Executive Director) expressing thanks for them meeting with the previous Justice Minister (Becky Druhan) last summer. Crichton provided information regarding the billing structure for the RCMP.

Update from Chief Hobeck Re: Fall Conference

Chief Hobeck reported that there were many interesting speakers including Devon Conis, who was the key-note speaker who spoke on leadership and facilitating change. Conis also spoke on the standards for police released by the province, stating the province has a responsibility to help agencies achieve these standards. Chief Hobeck also reported that there was a speech from the Police Complaints Commissioner and roundtable discussions about issues involving the provincial review. Comm D. Taylor asked about civilian involvement. Chief Hobeck responded that there were a few, however they were disappointed that there were not more and then added that he had been elected Vice President of the Chief's of Police Association, with Chief Mark Cain from Annapolis Royal being elected President.

Legislative Update on the Traffic Safety Act

CAO Grover reported that she had received a legislative update stating that the New Traffic Safety Act had been given Royal Assent at the last sitting of the House. Chief Hobeck stated that the biggest change would involve increased powers to Councils to have input on speed limits within a jurisdiction without going through a provincial traffic authority. Insp Chris Pond added that had learned during a recent "Teams" meeting that this act is expected to be rolled out in February 2026 and the implementation would be minimal for Stellarton Police, as they do not have digital ticketing.

Next Meeting

December 4th, 2025.

Adjournment

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