

**THE THUNDER BAY POLICE SERVICES BOARD
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

DATE: MAY 23, 2023

TIME: 8:40 A.M.

PLACE: VALHALLA HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTRE – SCANDIA 1

ADMINISTRATOR: MR. M. MERCER

PRESENT:

Mr. D.P. Achneepineskum
Ms. D. Bain Smith
Ms. D. Baxter
Mayor K. Boshcoff
Ms. K. Machado

OFFICIALS:

Mr. M. Mercer, Administrator
Mr. J. S. Hannam, Secretary - Thunder Bay Police Services
Board
Ms. L. Douglas, Assistant to the Secretary

PRESENT via ZOOM

Ms. C. McGuire-Cyrette

1. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest declared at this time.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

MOVED BY: Mr. M. Mercer

With respect to the meeting of the Governance Committee being held on May 23, 2023, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED by the Administrator

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Governance Committee held on April 25, 2023, to be confirmed.

MOVED BY: Mr. M. Mercer

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of the Governance Committee, held on April 25, 2023, be confirmed.

CARRIED by the Administrator

4. TERMS OF REFERENCE

Draft Terms of Reference were provided for the Committee's information.

Mr. J. Hannam suggested that the Committee members review the draft Terms of Reference and make their own notes for discussion and confirmation at the next meeting.

5. SETTING PRIORITIES

Memorandum with attachments to the Governance Committee from Malcolm Mercer, dated May 20, 2023, was delivered via email to members of the Board and Governance Committee on May 20, 2023.

The Governance Committee was asked to set priorities for the recommendations in the various reports directed to the Thunder Bay Police Services Board, as well as develop an implementation plan to address the subject recommendations.

Administrator M. Mercer suggested that three (3) working groups of two (2) people be created. Each working group would be assigned a different subject area of the recommendations.

Ms. Cora McGuire-Cyrette volunteered to lead one of the working groups, and offered her staff to assist with policy development.

Discussion followed on Indigenous and non-Indigenous themes and it was the consensus of the Committee that these areas should not be separated. A policy review should be made public, as key areas of the recommendations are public transparency and accountability.

Administrator Mercer noted that it will be up to the Board to determine which Expert Panel recommendations they want to accept and proceed with.

The working groups will be assigned an introductory batch of recommendations, and they can advise the Board Secretary about what resources they think they will need for implementation. Secretary Hannam noted that the Board will want to seek public consultation on some of the recommendations.

It was noted that a communication plan will need to be determined to confirm that the Board is taking these tasks and recommendations seriously.

Administrator Mercer asked each Committee member to advise which working group they want to sit on. The focus will be on Board Governance, the Board's external relationship with the community, and the Police Service. Administration will then proceed to delineate the various recommendations to each working group. A priority will be to determine the Chief's role with the Board.

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6. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business presented.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.