

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BRANDON POLICE BOARD HELD ON FRIDAY,
JUNE 6, 2025 AT 12:00 NOON IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

PRESENT: Board Members: Deb Arpin, Chair
Councillor Shawn Berry
Councillor Barry Cullen
Mayor Jeff Fawcett
Hope Switzer
Marycia Kruk
City Manager Dave Wardrop

Staff: Chief of Police Tyler Bates
Amber Chapil, Legislative Services

ABSENT: Shannon Brichon, Adetayo Subair, Doug Gerald

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m.

It was noted that Mayor Jeff Fawcett left the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

1. ADOPTION OF PUBLIC SESSION AGENDA

Cullen-Switzer

That the Agenda for the Public Session meeting of the Brandon Police Board to be held on Friday, June 6, 2025 be adopted. CARRIED.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Berry - Cullen

That the minutes of the public session of the Brandon Police Board meeting held on Friday, April 11, 2025 be adopted. CARRIED.

3. REPORT FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

The Board considered a report from Chief Tyler Bates dated June 6, 2025, where Chief Bates provided a general overview of the activities within the Brandon Police Service (BPS) since the April 11, 2025, meeting.

Chief Bates highlighted the list of activities within his report at a community, provincial and National level. He noted BPS has been in consultations with a variety of client groups associated with the Downtown Public Safety Strategy.

a) Financial Update

Budget

Chief Bates provided the Board with an update on the Brandon Police Service April budget review noting a projected surplus of \$475,000 for 2025. He explained that most of this surplus was from the Police Operating with savings related to staff vacancies. He provided an overview on recruitment efforts, with the goal to have a full complement within the police service by the end of 2025. He spoke about additional costs in uniforms, professional development, overtime and hiring costs.

Statistics

Chief Bates advised that the total calls for service for January 1st to May 31, 2025, was 15,576 and that approximately 37% or 5,864 calls for serviced were for the downtown area. He noted BPS has seen a 10% increase in person-related calls for service, and 27% decrease in property-related calls for service and a 45% decrease in break and enter calls for service over the same period last year.

The Chief noted the seizure of 943.39 grams of Cocaine, 15.8 grams of Fentanyl and 1,238.36 grams of Methamphetamine within the first five months of 2025.

Chief Bates advised that non-sworn members continued to process files and support the Brandon Police Service with 2,184 Criminal Records Checks processed from January 1st to June 1st, 2025, compared to 2,123 processed for this same period in 2024.

4. 2025 CAPG 36TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Chair announced that Deb Arpin and Shawn Berry will be attending the 2025 Canadian Association of Police Governance Conference taking place August 14th to the 16th, 2025 in Victoria, British Columbia. She noted that should either one be unable to attend the alternates would be Hope Switzer and Doug Gerrald.

5. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

October 3, 2025

6. ADJOURNMENT

Berry - Kruk

That the Public Session of the Police Board meeting be adjourned. (12:42 p.m.).
CARRIED



Amber Chapil, Secretary