

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2011 AT 10:00 A.M.  
CHIEF'S CONFERENCE ROOM, WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAII**

**PRESENT** Leil Koch, Chair  
Kirk Tanaka, Vice-Chair  
Pancho Alcon, Member  
Roger Dixon, Member  
Tina Gomes, Member  
David Jorgensen, Member  
Gregg Lundberg, Member  
Kelly Ruidas, Member  
Ron Vaught, Member

**ALSO PRESENT** Wayne Ribao, Acting Chief of Police  
Larry Hudson, Assistant Chief Support Services  
Dean Rickard, Acting Assistant Chief Uniformed Services  
Greg Takahashi, Business Manager  
Jeffrey Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel

**EXCUSED** Gary Yabuta, Chief of Police (Honolulu)  
Clayton Tom, Deputy Chief of Police (Mainland)  
Danny Matsuura, Assistant Chief Uniformed Services (Mainland)

**CALL/  
QUORUM** Chair Koch called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was ascertained with nine Commissioners present to conduct business.

Chair Koch asked each of the new Commissioners to introduce himself and then asked the remaining Commissioners to do so.

**OPENING PRAYER** The opening prayer was offered by Chaplain Christopher Martin of Lahaina Baptist Church

**PRESENTATION** **By the Public of Oral or Written Testimony on Agenda Items of the Commission:** None

**APPROVAL AGENDA** **A motion to approve the agenda was made by Vice-Chair Tanaka. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lundberg and carried unanimously.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** **A motion to approve the minutes of March 23, 2011 was made by Commissioner Jorgensen and seconded by Commissioner Gomes. The motion carried unanimously.**

**LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (24)**

Captain D. Kanemitsu; Lieutenant C. Kenui; Detective J. Gapero; Sergeants W. Maeda, L. Marks; Officers W. Ahuna, K. Carroll, C. Desamito, K. Doyle, D. Galarza, M. Johnson, T. Kamakawiwo`ole, M. Kaya, A. Krau, N. Krau, H. MacKnight, B. Manlapao, H. Matsuura, L. Pacheco, A. Polanco, B. Rodrigues, R. Silva, J. Terry; Ms. T. Jones

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**A motion to accept and file the Letters of Commendation was made by Commissioner Gomes and seconded by Vice-Chair Tanaka. The motion carried unanimously.**

**CHIEF'S**      Acting Chief Ribao announced that Chief Yabuta is in Honolulu. Deputy  
**REPORT**      Chief Tom and Assistant Chief Matsuura are on the mainland.

Acting Chief Ribao welcomed Commissioner Ruidas to the Commission and welcomed Commissioner Alcon back to the Commission for another term. He then presented them with their Police Commission badges. Acting Chief Ribao then introduced Sergeant Gregg Okamoto and Officer Shane Yoshizawa of the Domestic Violence Unit who did a presentation who provided the background of the DVU as well as the statistics on Domestic Violence cases.

Acting Chief Ribao thanked the Commissioners who were able to attend the budget hearings. He reported everything went well, although we have not received the finalized budget yet.

Commissioner Lundberg wished to recognize A.C. Hudson, Captain Amaral and Mr. Takahashi for the outstanding job they did with their presentations at the budget hearing.

Acting Chief Ribao announced that the 2011 State Police Commissioners' Conference would be held May 26-27, 2011 in Honolulu and all Commissioners are invited to attend.

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Acting Assistant Chief Dean Rickard gave the report for the Uniformed Services Bureau.

He announced that as of April 1<sup>st</sup>, Sergeant Mark Vickers was selected as the supervisor for the Visitor Oriented Police and Community Police Officer units. They will operate out of District I-Wailuku, but will work in all areas. Also effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, Lt. Clarence Kenui was promoted to Captain and will command District IV-Lahaina. Effective April 16<sup>th</sup>, Officer Rusty Lawson joined the OUI Task Force; Officer Frank K. Abreu was assigned as the new SRO at Kalama Intermediate; Sergeant Reid Pursley was assigned to the Criminal Intelligence Unit; and Sergeant Barry Kubo was assigned to the Vice Division. On June 1<sup>st</sup>, Officers Melvin Johnson, Ronald Bennett, Jhun Casio and Marjorie Kahookele will be assigned to the CPO unit.

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Assistant Chief Larry Hudson gave the report for the Support Services Bureau.

A.C. Hudson also thanked the Commissioners for their support by attending the County Council budget hearings and he thanked Commissioner Vaught for his speech.

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**FINANCIAL REPORT** Mr. Takahashi handed out the Financial Report-Internal for FY 2011 for the period July 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011 which reflects 25% of the funding is left. It does not reflect the approximately \$87,000 for Tsunami-related costs. The Department expects to have approximately \$1.5 million in carryover savings, mainly due to vacancies. So far this year, overtime costs have reached \$5.3 million, so we will exceed this year's overtime budget. The FY 2012 overtime budget is \$4.8 million. So far there have been no questions from Council regarding the budget.

**PERSONNEL** Mr. Takahashi handed out the Staffing Report as of April 20<sup>th</sup> which reflected 38 vacant sworn positions with 25 conditional offers pending. Year-to-date, there have been 204 police officer candidates. There are currently 15 civilian vacancies with 6 conditional offers pending. There are 15 candidates on the eligibility list for an RTO position.

The 75<sup>th</sup> Recruit Class is currently scheduled to begin on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, but may move to a July start date. There are 12 to 15 recruits expected to start in this class.

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Acting Police Chief Wayne Ribao gave the report for the Investigative Services Bureau.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. PC 11-12 Hawaii County Police Commission Minutes of 02/25/11
- b. PC 11-13 Kauai Police Commission Minutes of 01/21/11
- c. PC 11-14 Kauai Police Commission Minutes of 02/25/11

**A motion to file the above correspondence was made by Commissioner Vaught and seconded by Commissioner Gomes. The motion carried unanimously.**

**RECESS 11:30 A.M.**

**RECONVENE 11:35 A.M.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A motion to move into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Jorgensen and seconded by Vice-Chair Tanaka. The motion carried unanimously.**

- a. MPC 11-02

This complaint was reviewed by former Police Commission Chair Ball and denied for investigation based on the fact that the incident complained of occurred more than 60 days ago.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon to support denial of the investigation by the Police Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gomes and carried unanimously.

**REGULAR SESSION** A motion to return to regular session was made by Commissioner Vaught and seconded by Commissioner Lundberg. The motion carried unanimously.

**RATIFY** A motion to ratify the actions taken in Executive Session was made by Vice-Chair Tanaka and seconded by Commissioner Gomes. The motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN** (11:45 p.m.) A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Gomes and seconded by Commissioner Jorgensen. The motion carried unanimously.

**SUBMITTED BY**

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Jeanne Berrigan, Police Commission Secretary

**APPROVED**

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Leil Koch, Chair