

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2013 AT 10:00 A.M.
WAILEA MARRIOTT RESORT & SPA, WAILEA, HAWAII**

- PRESENT** Gregg Lundberg, Chair
Ronald Vaught, Vice-Chair
Pancho Alcon, Member
Roger Dixon, Member
Howard Hanzawa, Member
Kelly Ruidas, Member
Kevin Tanaka, Member
- ALSO PRESENT** Gary Yabuta, Chief of Police
Danny Matsuura, Assistant Chief, Investigative Bureau Services
Victor Ramos, Assistant Chief, Uniform Bureau Services
Greg Takahashi, Business Manager
Gary Murai, Deputy Corporation Counsel
- EXCUSED** Clayton Tom, Deputy Chief of Police
Lawrence Hudson, Assistant Chief, Support Bureau Services
Lawrence Ing, Member
Michael Wilson, Member
- CALL/
QUORUM** Chair Lundberg called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. A quorum was ascertained with seven Commissioners present to conduct business.
- OPENING REMARKS** The opening remarks were offered by Pastor Christopher Martin of Lahaina Baptist Church.
- PRESENTATION** **By the Public of Oral or Written Testimony on Agenda Items of the Commission:** None
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** **A motion to approve the minutes of August 21, 2013 was made by Commissioner Tanaka and seconded by Vice-Chair Vaught. The motion carried unanimously.**

LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (14)

Captain C. Kenui; Lieutenant R. Dods; Sergeant K. Tom; Officers F. Abreu, J. Balag, J. Foster, E. Gilo, J. Medeiros, G. Nakamura, R. Pauley, J. Platt, K. Uyehara, D. Wikoli; ESD T. Kaoni

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

Chair Lundberg recognized Chief Yabuta's letter of appreciation to the Maui Hotel Association for donating six Trek Police Bikes for Lahaina Patrol District.

**CHIEF'S
REPORT**

Chief Yabuta informed the Commission that he and Assistant Chief Ramos were on the island of Lanai for the Mayor's Budget Meeting and the Annual County Employee Recognition Luncheon. The Maui Police Department (Lanai) Employee of the Year is Officer Anthony Maldonado. He is currently assigned to the Lahaina District.

Chief Yabuta reported in preparing for FY2015 budget there were some great recommendations from the command staff. The budget will be tight again. Related traffic enforcement and safety are in the budget. We have considered raises for the collective bargaining units.

Chief Yabuta thanked the Commissioners who attended the HSLEOA Conference.

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Assistant Chief Matsuura gave the report for the Investigative Services Bureau.

Juvenile Crime Prevention Division is working on a new initiative concept where juvenile counselors, investigators and school resource officers team up in specific geographical areas to do prevention and education by reaching out to schools, businesses and other community agencies.

The school resource officers are working on a pilot program where students are able to provide confidential tips. The information will be disseminated to school resource officers and school administration.

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Assistant Chief Victor Ramos gave the report for the Uniform Services Bureau.

The Lahaina District is preparing for the upcoming annual Halloween event.

The Patrol Division is in the process of implementing a new alternative 5-9 work schedule.

**FINANCIAL
REPORT**

Mr. Takahashi reported overtime for FY 2014 is \$4.9 million, which is a little more than last year. Related the department will receive funding of \$20,000 from HIDTA for the DARE Program.

With regard to the SHOPO bargaining unit, the collective bargaining adjustment was approved by Council. Funding of \$2.7 million will be provided by the Office of the Mayor.

**REPORT
PERSONNEL**

The Staffing Report for September 2013 reflects 18 vacant positions with 9 conditional offers pending. There are currently 25 civilian vacancies of which 12 are ESD positions.

The 79th Recruit Class is scheduled to begin on September 30, 2013 with 21 new recruits.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. PC13-22 Letter from Chief Gary A. Yabuta dated May 28, 2013
- b. PC 13-23 Hawaii Police Commission Minutes dated June 21, 2013
- c. PC 13-24 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated July 3, 2013

A motion to file the Correspondence was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Vice-Chair Vaught. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion of Spanish Informational Brochure

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Police Commission Investigator

Commissioners discussed another option in addition to the current investigator to provide investigative services.

RECESS: 11:00 A.M.
RECONVENE: 11:05 A.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- a. Approval of Executive Session Minutes of August 21, 2013

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Vaught to approve the Executive Session Minutes of August 21, 2013. Commissioner Alcon seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- b. MPC 13-02

A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon to accept the letter from the complainant dated September 9, 2013. Commissioner Hanzawa seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- c. MPC 13-06

A motion was made by Commissioner Ruidas to defer this item to next month's meeting. Vice-Chair Vaught seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

d. MPC 13-09

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Vaught to approve MPC 13-09 for investigation. Commissioner Tanaka seconded the motion and it carried unanimously

e. Semi –Annual Evaluation of the Chief of Police

REGULAR SESSION A motion to return to Regular Session was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Hanzawa. The motion carried unanimously.

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

RECESS: 11:33 A.M.

RECONVENE: 11:55 A.M.

Chief Yabuta, the Administrative Staff, members of the Police Commission and the Commission secretary toured the new Kihei Station (limited meeting).

ADJOURN The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY

Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary

APPROVED

Gregg Lundberg, Chair