

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2015 AT 10:00 A.M.
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII MAUI COLLEGE
LAULIMA BUILDING, ROOM 225**

PRESENT Kevin Tanaka, Vice-Chair
Pancho Alcon, Member
Gwen Ohashi Hiraga, Member
Lawrence Ing, Member
Michael Wilson, Member

ALSO PRESENT Tivoli Faaumu, Chief of Police
Dean Rickard, Deputy Chief of Police
Danny Matsuura, Assistant Chief, Investigative Services Bureau
Victor Ramos, Assistant Chief, Uniform Services Bureau
John Jakubczak, Assistant Chief, Support Services Bureau
Greg Takahashi, Business Manager
Jeffrey Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counselor
Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary
Chivo Ching-Johnson– AKAKU
Lila Fujimoto – The Maui News

EXCUSED Kelly Ruidas, Chair
Lawrence Feinberg, Member
Nora Kawasaki, Member

DELAYED Howard Hanzawa - Member

CALL/QUORUM Vice-Chair Tanaka called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Quorum was ascertained with five Commissioners present to conduct business.

ROLL CALL Present at the meeting: Vice-Chair Tanaka; Commissioners Pancho Alcon, Gwen Hiraga, Lawrence Ing, and Mike Wilson.

OPENING The opening remarks were offered by Chaplain Gary Colton.

REMARKS 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 19, 2015 was made by Commissioner Alcon and seconded by Commissioner Ing. The motion carried unanimously.**

LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (38)

Lieutenant R. Dods (2); Detective G. Tihada; Sergeants J. Foster (2), J. Medeiros (2), J.

Terry (2) K. Tom; Officers W. Ahuna, T. Alconcel T. Arase, T. Baza-Triulzi, K. Carroll (2), C. Carter, N. Comilang (3), S Farberow (2), A. Kahoohanohano (2), N. Kanekoa (2), M. Keawekane-Hale, A. Maldonado, J. Platt, J. Pontanilla (3), R. Saribay, J. Surina, M. Tevaga, J. Thompson, C. Visaya, L. Yorita

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

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. PC 15-19 Hawaii Police Commission Minutes dated July 17, 2015
- b. PC 15-20 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated July 15, 2015

A motion to accept and file the Correspondence was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commission Ing. The motion carried unanimously.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Faaumu gave a brief overview of his accomplishments during his first year as Chief of Police. He reported the promotions for captains, lieutenants and sergeants have been completed. There will be additional vacancies due to upcoming retirements. Staffing for police officers is at 95%.

The 81st Recruit Class officers who graduated on July 24, 2015 are now on the road in the Field Training Officer program. The 82nd Recruit Class is currently in the training classroom. The 83rd Recruit Class is scheduled to begin November 16 2015 with about 10 recruits.

The Rotational Policy, G.O. 202.14 (effective 01/01/16) will allow the department to rotate officers to specialize units. He thanked Assistant Chief Matsuura for spearheading the policy.

The recruitment for Emergency Service Dispatchers is doing well, but retention is a challenge. After speaking with Assistant Chief Jakubczak and dispatchers, we are assigning new dispatchers to be call-takers and evaluating them after six months to see if they are comfortable to move on to radio dispatchers.

The solo bike training program is completed. The equipment and uniforms are in its final stages. The Motorcycle Unit will consist of one sergeant and four officers.

The body cameras are in the testing and evaluation phase. We have completed testing cameras with one vendor, but other vendors are interested. He thanked Assistant Chief Jakubczak and his team who applied for a \$78,000 grant from the Department of Justice.

Capital improvement continues with the rehabilitation of our facilities; Records Section, cottages, and the station. We continue to work with the Mayor's Office to negotiate the purchase of land for the new Molokai Station.

Chief Faaumu stated he had asked his staff to leave last year's fiscal budget flat so he could learn the concept of the budget without limiting service to the community. He thanked his staff for their support.

Deputy Chief Rickard reported Detective Rick Martinez of Internal Affairs was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and will be assigned to Wailuku Patrol on October 1, 2015. Sergeant Barry Kubo will be assigned to Internal Affairs.

Deputy Chief Rickard stated the department is in the midst of preparing the budget. He commended the commanders for their excellent presentation addressing the needs of the department as we move forward in the future.

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

Assistant Chief Matsuura wished to thank the commissioners for attending the HSLEOA Conference on the Big Island to honor Detective Nelson Hamilton who was selected as MPD HSLEOA Officer of the Year.

Soon to be retired canine "Nasi" will be replaced by a Belgian Malinois name "Scenda."

SRT will receive a tracking canine at the end of the year, and will work in conjunction with the Fire Department to track missing persons.

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

Assistant Chief Ramos stated eight officers participated in the solo bike training. The trainers were from Seattle, and they were able to communicate the kind of skills the officers needed for the solo bike. He thanked Chief Faaumu for supporting the program.

Upcoming events will include the Maui County Fair parade and Halloween in Lahaina.

Assistant Chief Jakubczak gave the report for the Support Services Bureau.

The 81st Recruit Class is currently in the third phase of FTO. After the fourth phase they will go solo.

Twenty-four (24) members of the 82rd Recruit Class are currently in Physical training, OUI, and Drug Recognition Expert classes.

There are currently six (6) members in the 83rd Recruit Class and two (2) more will be hired in October.

Special Olympics held its annual Cop on Top event on August 27-29, 2015 at the Kahului Walmart Store, all Safeway locations and the Friendly Isle Market in Molokai. The event raised a total of \$14,559 on Maui and \$3,655 on Molokai.

Assistant Chief Jakubczak welcomed Mr. Bob Steele and Mr. Randy Pauley to the Chaplaincy Program.

FINANCIAL REPORT Mr. Takahashi handed out the FY2015 Financial Report. He reported a net carry over savings of approximately \$2.5 million. For FY2016, overtime expended to date is about \$1.2 million. We anticipate spending \$7.2 million. The operating budget is \$3.9 million. We anticipate a shortfall in overtime of \$1.9 million. Last year our expenditures for overtime was \$5.9 million.

The deadline to submit the proposed budget for FY2017 is October 9, 2015 and the deadline for CIP is November 16, 2015.

PERSONNEL The Staffing Report for September 23, 2015 reflects 19 vacant sworn positions with 10 conditional offers pending. There are currently 24 civilian vacancies, 12 of which are ESD positions.

Commissioner Howard Hanzawa entered the meeting (10:40 a.m.)

OLD BUSINESS

- a. 2016 State of Hawaii Police Commissioners' Conference – Update

Vice-Chair Tanaka stated the committee met and discussed potential items and speakers.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. None

Approval of Executive Session Minutes of August 19, 2015

A motion was made by Commissioner Hanzawa to accept the Executive Session Minutes of August 19, 2015. Commissioner Ohashi Hiraga seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN (10:45 a.m.) The meeting adjourned.

SUBMITTED BY

Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary

APPROVED

Kevin Tanaka, Vice-Chair