

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2012 AT 10:00 A.M.
CHIEF'S CONFERENCE ROOM, WAILUKU, HAWAII**

PRESENT

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

**ALSO
PRESENT**

Gary Yabuta, Chief of Police
Clayton Tom, Deputy Chief
Danny Matsuura, Assistant Chief Investigative Services
Victor Ramos, Assistant Chief Uniform Services
Larry Hudson, Assistant Chief Support Services
Greg Takahashi, Business Manager
Jeffrey Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel

EXCUSED

Gregg Lundberg, Member (Excused)

**CALL/
QUORUM**

Chair Koch called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was ascertained with eight Commissioners present to conduct business.

OPENING

The opening remarks were offered by Pastor Christopher Martin from the Lahaina Baptist Church.

REMARKS

PRESENTATION

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

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Alcon and seconded by Commissioner Ruidas. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes of January 31, 2012 was made by Commissioner Vaught and seconded by Commissioner Gomes. The motion carried unanimously.

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LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (35)

Lieutenant R. Hill; Detectives B. Aoki, P. Bailey, W. Gannon, J. Gapero, J. Mahoney; Sergeants J. Becraft, M. Johnson, J. Kahoohanohano, M. Lorenzo, W. Maeda, K. Nagano; Officers G. Benito, M. Brown, J. Casio, C. Desamito, B. Fujii, T. Gomez, C. Gouveia, J. Hattori, E. Kibby, S. Kunioka (2), R. Lawson, D. Leffler, H. MacKnight, A. Maldonado, A. Mark, M. Sagawinit, C. Stephens, D. Tau'a, S. Yoshizawa (2), M. Victorine, A. Wallwork

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

**CHIEF'S
REPORT**

Chief Yabuta introduced Lieutenant Wayne Ibarra of Community Relations and Sergeant Nick Krau of Plans and Training, who gave a presentation on the Pre-employment Physical Agility Testing, which was implemented a year ago as a pilot program.

Chief Yabuta thanked the Commissioners for attending the Town Hall Meetings. The next Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2012 in Hana.

The Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post 3850 Officer of the Year was awarded to Detective Jeffrey Mahoney of the Criminal Investigation Division. Detective Mahoney will be recognized at the VFW Annual Scholarship Luau on Saturday, March 10, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

Chief Yabuta announced the graduation ceremony for the 75th Recruit Class will take place on March 23, 2012 at 11:30 a.m. at the King Kamehameha Golf Club.

Chief Yabuta informed the Commission that they met with the Mayor and Budget Director regarding the FY 2013 budget.

Assistant Chief Hudson has put together an IT recovery team whose primary goal is to address and resolve problems, and to make this an efficient information and technology system.

Deputy Chief Tom informed the Commission that Lieutenant John Jakubczak has been promoted to Captain and will be assigned to the Lahaina District. Promoted to Lieutenant were Derrick Lopez and Mitchell Pellazar. There were also eight sergeants promoted.

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Deputy Chief Tom thanked Chair Koch for submitting a written testimony in support of his reappointment to the Enhance 911 board. Deputy Chief Tom and Assistant Chief Ramos will go before the Senate for confirmation.

Deputy Chief Tom gave an update on three legislative bills of interest – Relating to Homicide bill, the Move Over bill and the Medical Marijuana bill.

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

The Juvenile Section is offering the Keiki Rap program and the Second Chance program to the outside districts.

Assistant Chief Ramos gave the report for the Uniform Services.

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

The 76th Recruit Class started on February 13, 2012 with 19 recruits.

The photovoltaic system will be installed at the Lahaina Station in eight weeks.

**FINANCIAL
REPORT**

Mr. Takahashi handed out the Financial Report and Salaries and Premium Pay Report for January 31, 2012. Although our budget for overtime is \$4.0 million, the projected overtime for the FY2012 is \$4.5 million. We do anticipate savings due to the vacancies throughout the year. The carryover savings of approximately \$1 million is expected.

**PERSONNEL
REPORT**

Mr. Takahashi handed out the Staffing Report as of February 22, 2012 which reflects 33 vacant sworn positions with 22 conditional offers pending. There are currently 13 civilian vacancies, 4 of which are ESD positions.

RECESS: 11:15 a.m.

RECONVENCE: 11:22 a.m.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- a. PC 12-05 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes of December 14, 2011
- b. PC 12-06 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes of December 21, 2011
- c. PC 12-07 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes of January 4, 2012

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

OLD BUSINESS

- a. 2012 Police Commission Conference

Vice-Chair Tanaka updated the Commission on the 2012 Police Commission Conference.

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Tanaka to set-up a personal account, if needed, at Maui Community Credit Union and the authorized signatories are Vice-Chair Tanaka and Cynthia Sasada. Commissioner Vaught seconded and carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion to move into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Vaught and seconded by Commissioner Gomes. The motion carried unanimously.

- a. MPC 12-02

A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon to conduct an investigation for Police Complaint MPC 12-02. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gomes and carried unanimously.

- b. Chief's Evaluation

Chair Koch thanked Chief Yabuta for doing a great job and appreciates all the Chief does for the commission, community and department.

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

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RATIFY A motion was made by Commissioner Vaught to ratify the actions taken in Executive Session including to send Police Commission Complaint MPC 12-02 for investigation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gomes and carried unanimously.

ADJOURN (12:15 p.m.) A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Dixon and seconded by Commissioner Vaught. The motion carried unanimously.

SUBMITTED BY

Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary

APPROVED

Leil Koch - Chair