

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2012 AT 9:00 A.M.  
CHIEF'S CONFERENCE ROOM, WAILUKU, HAWAII**

<b>PRESENT</b>	Kirk Tanaka, Chair David Jorgensen, Vice-Chair Pancho Alcon, Member Roger Dixon, Member Lawrence Ing, Member Gregg Lundberg, Member Kelly Ruidas, Member Ron Vaught, Member Michael Wilson, Member
<b>ALSO PRESENT</b>	Gary Yabuta, Chief of Police Clayton Tom, Deputy Chief Danny Matsuura, Assistant Chief Investigative Services Larry Hudson, Assistant Chief Support Services Captain Tivoli Faaumu Lieutenant Sterling Kiyota Greg Takahashi, Business Manager Jeffrey Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel Victor Ramos, Assistant Chief Uniform Services Chivo Ching-Johnson, AKAKU: Maui Community Television Officer Emily Kibby Anthony Earles
<b>CALL/ QUORUM</b>	Chair Tanaka called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was ascertained with nine Commissioners present to conduct business.
<b>OPENING REMARKS</b>	The opening remarks were offered by Pastor Christopher Martin from Lahaina Baptist Church.
<b>PRESENTATION</b>	<b>By the Public of Oral or Written Testimony on Agenda Items of the Commission:</b> None.
<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>	<b>A motion to approve the minutes of July 18, 2012 with corrections was made by Commissioner Lundberg and seconded by Commissioner Alcon. The motion carried unanimously.</b>

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**LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (7)**

Sergeant Micah Adams; Officers: Sean Bio, Keith Teguma, Anthony Maldonado, Emily Kibby, Ned L. Kanekoa, and Ms. Tracy Pellazar.

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

**A motion to amend the agenda for a presentation to Officer Emily Kibby (District 6) was made by Commissioner Lundberg and seconded by Vice-Chair Jorgensen. The motion carried unanimously.**

**CHIEF'S**

**REPORT** Chief Yabuta requested the introduction of the Police Commission and Executive Staff members to the public during the recording of the meeting by AKAKU television.

Chief Yabuta commended Captain Faaumu of Kihei (District 6) for supporting his officers by allowing them to be creative and promoting self-determination. He also congratulated Lieutenant Kiyota, Watch Commander (District 6), for his hard work and doing an excellent job.

Chief Yabuta announced Officer Kibby was chosen by the Department as HSLEOA Officer of the Year.

Chief Yabuta introduced Police Evidence Technician II, Anthony Earles, of the Criminal Investigation Division. Mr. Earles gave a presentation about Maui Police Department's Maui CSI Camp 2012 for high school juniors and seniors held in June of this year.

Chief Yabuta recognized Mr. Earles for his recent certification by the Crime Scene Certification Board for International Association for Identification.

Chief Yabuta announced the "Top Cop" selection was Sergeant Lance Kaupalolo.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** Mr. Takahashi handed out the Financial Report and the Salaries Premium Pay Report for July 2012.

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**PERSONNEL REPORT** Mr. Takahashi stated the 350 officers (93%) are the highest the Department has ever had. Stated the 77<sup>th</sup> Recruit Class started with 14 Police Officers; the 78<sup>th</sup> Recruit Class will start sometime next year.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. PC 12-13 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes of April 18, 2012.
- b. PC 12-14 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes of June 6, 2012.

**A motion to file the Correspondence was made by Commissioner Vaught and seconded by Commissioner Ruidas. The motion carried unanimously.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion regarding Police Commission Meeting venues.

The Commission discussed concerns relating to location, availability and security of meeting locations for the civilian population.

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jorgenson to continue to have this space as our primary meeting facility for now; however, the Commission should look into visiting other districts or having the meeting in other districts whether it's Lanai, Molokai, Hana, Lahaina, South Maui and possibly Upcountry, twice a year instead of once a year, and continue to look into options for relocating to a more public facility that is convenient to the Administrative Staff. Commissioner Lundberg added that the Commission should send a letter to the Mayor's Office requesting his assistance in finding an independent location that is at the Commission's disposal, in which the Commission should not have to pay and is still centrally located on this side. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dixon and carried unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jorgensen to amend the Agenda to add a discussion of HSLEOA. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dixon. The motion carried unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jorgensen to amend the Agenda to add a discussion of NACOLE. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The motion carried unanimously.**

- b. Discussion of HSLEOA.

The Commission discussed the HSLEOA Conference to be held next month (September) on Oahu.

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c. Discussion of NACOLE

The Commission discussed the NACOLE Conference to be held in October in San Diego, California.

**NEW BUSINESS**

a. None.

**RECESS:                10:05 a.m.**  
**RECONVENE:        10:20 a.m.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A motion to move into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Ruidas and seconded by Commissioner Ing. The motion carried unanimously.**

a. MPC 12-01

**A motion to approve the draft of the Findings of Fact conclusions was made by Vice-Chair Jorgensen. Commissioner Ruidas seconded the motion and carried unanimously.**

b. Review of Report No. 11-44793

**The Commission moved to file the report.**

c. Request for Legal Representation Civil No. 12-1-0703

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jorgensen to approve legal representation. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and carried unanimously.**

d. Request for Legal Representation Civil No. 05-1-0249(3)

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jorgensen to approve legal representation. Commissioner Ing seconded the motion and carried unanimously.**

e. Letter from Lenie Lawrence dated June 17, 2012

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jorgensen that based on the information received there is no further action that the Commission needs to take at this time. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and carried unanimously.**

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- f. Chief's Semi-annual Evaluation of Goals for 2012

**This item has been deferred to the September meeting.**

- g. Discussion of Commissioner Lundberg's request for a letter to Chief Yabuta

**This item has been deferred to the September meeting.**

- h. MPC 12-14

**A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jorgensen to respond to Mr. Shishido's letter stating the matter was referred to Internal Affairs by Chief Yabuta and they have conducted the review process. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ruidas and carried unanimously.**

**The next Commission meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.**

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

**RATIFY** A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon to ratify the actions taken in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaught and carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN (11:15 a.m.)** A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Ruidas and seconded by Commissioner Vaught. The motion carried unanimously.

**SUBMITTED BY**

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**Carolyn Ware, Police Commission Secretary, Pro Tem**

**APPROVED**

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**Kirk Tanaka, Chair**