

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2012 AT 9:00 A.M.  
CHIEF'S CONFERENCE ROOM, WAILUKU, HAWAII**

**PRESENT** Kirk Tanaka, Chair  
David Jorgensen, Vice-Chair  
Roger Dixon, Member  
Lawrence Ing, Member  
Gregg Lundberg, Member  
Kelly Ruidas, Member  
Ron Vaught, Member  
Michael Wilson

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

**EXCUSED** Pancho Alcon, Member

**CALL/  
QUORUM** Chair Tanaka called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was ascertained with eight Commissioners present to conduct business.

**OPENING  
REMARKS** The opening remarks were offered by Pastor Christopher Martin from 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 October 17, 2012 was made by Commissioner Vaught and seconded by Commissioner Lundberg. The motion carried unanimously.**

**LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (24)**

Lieutenant D. Silva; Sergeant R. Esperanza, N. Krau; F. Abreu, T. Arase, L. Becraft, K. Brown, D. Danley, K. Dunn, C. Frate, J. Kalb, R. Kealoha, C. Keliipa'akaua, M. Kostyal, R. Lawson, A. Maldonado, D. Racadio, G. Slonim H. Schnitzer (2) J. Taylor, J. Terry; T. Jones, S. Rawlins-Len-Wai,

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

Commissioner Lundberg recognized Assistant Chief Ramos, Captain Jakubczak and Lieutenant Uedoi for a well organized and executed plan for Halloween. The partnership between various county departments was amazing and the team did an outstanding job.

**CHIEF'S**

**REPORT** Chief Yabuta stated he is very proud of the way the department responded to the Halloween situation. He thanked Commissioner Lundberg for providing the meals for the officers.

Chief Yabuta wished to commend the department for the great job they did during the tsunami warning incident.

Chief Yabuta stated we are working to finalize the budget for FY2014, and asked for the Commission's support at the Council meeting.

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Deputy Chief Tom reported he attended the 2012 CALEA Fall Conference in Jackson, Florida along with Assistant Chief Matsuura, Lieutenant Pladera and Lieutenant Kiyota. He announced Hawaii Police Department is now the third in the state to be accredited.

Upcoming promotions will include three Lieutenants and three Sergeants.

Deputy Chief Tom announced the Shop with a Cop event will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2012.

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

Assistant Chief Matsuura gave a brief overview of the First Annual Tactical Officers Conference held on November 8-9, 2012 at the Royal Lahaina.

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Assistant Chief Ramos gave the report for Uniform Services Bureau.

Assistant Chief Ramos gave an after action report of the Halloween night festivities.

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Assistant Chief Hudson gave the report for Support Services Bureau.

The Dispatchers temporarily moved to the Civil Defense E.O.C. while ADA renovations take place to their area.

The new Kihei Station is scheduled for completion on July 15, 2013.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** Mr. Takahashi handed out the Financial Report and Salaries and Premium Pay Report for October 31, 2012. He reported overtime for FY2013 is estimated at \$4.5 million, which is the same as last year, but more than we budgeted for \$3.4 million.

**PERSONNEL REPORT** Mr. Takahashi handed out the Staffing Report for November 21, 2012 which reflects 32 vacant positions with 8 conditional offers pending. There are currently 17 civilian vacancies, 10 of which are ESD positions.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. PC 12-21 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes of September 5, 2012

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

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Recap of NACOLE

Commissioner Wilson gave a brief overview of the NACOLE Conference.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion of January 16, 2013 meeting to be held on Molokai

The January 16, 2013 Police Commission Meeting will be held at the Mitchell Pauole Center at 5:00 p.m. on the Island of Molokai.

**RECESS: 10:05 a.m.**  
**RECONVENE: 10:22 a.m.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

- a. MPC 12-15

**A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon that the findings contained in the report are sufficient for the Commission to take final action. Commissioner Ruidas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon that there is insufficient evidence to prove the material allegations of the complaint and the complaint is therefore not sustained. Commissioner Ruidas seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

b. MPC 12-16

**A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon to support denial of the investigation by the Police Commission based on Police Commission Rule 13-101-23(a). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ruidas and carried unanimously.**

c. MPC 12-19

**A motion was made by Commissioner Dixon to support denial of the investigation by the Police Commission based on Police Commission Rule 13-101-23(e). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaught and carried unanimously.**

d. MPC 12-20

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ing to support denial of the investigation by the Police Commission based on Police Commission Rule 13-101-23(d). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaught and carried unanimously.**

e. Chief's Semi-Annual Evaluation of Goals for 2012

Chair Tanaka asked for volunteers to be on the Chief's Evaluation subcommittee. Commissioners Dixon, Lundberg and Ruidas volunteered.

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

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

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

**ADJOURN (11:58 p.m.) A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Vaught and seconded by Commissioner Ruidas. The motion carried unanimously.**

**SUBMITTED BY**

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Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary

**APPROVED**

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Kirk Tanaka, Chair

