

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2015 AT 9:30 A.M.  
MAUI POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CHIEF'S CONFERENCE ROOM  
WAILUKU, HAWAII**

**PRESENT** Kelly Ruidas, Chair  
Kevin Tanaka, Vice-Chair  
Pancho Alcon, Member  
Lawrence Feinberg, Member  
Howard Hanzawa, Member  
Lawrence Ing, Member  
Nora Kawasaki, Member  
Michael Wilson, Member

**ALSO PRESENT** 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 Counsel  
Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary  
Chivo Ching-Johnson, AKAKU  
Gary Colton, Chaplain

**EXCUSED** Gwen Ohashi Hiraga, Member

**CALL/  
QUORUM** Chair Ruidas called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. A quorum was ascertained with eight Commissioners present to conduct business.

**OPENING** The opening remarks were offered by Chaplain Gary Colton.

Chair Ruidas recognized new Commissioner Larry Feinberg.

**REMARKS  
PRESENTATION** **By the Public of Oral or Written Testimony on Agenda Items of the Commission:** Mr. John Dunbar offered an oral testimony.

**APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES** **A motion to approve the minutes of March 18, 2015 was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Hanzawa.** Commissioner Ing wished to amend the minutes – change Vice-Chair Lundberg to Commissioner Lundberg. **The motion carried unanimously.**

## LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (27)

Assistant Chief D. Matsuura; Lieutenants W. Anzai, W. Juan, J. Pladera; Sergeants A. Sellers, L. Marks; Officers K. Badayos, T. Brennan, K. Brown, N. Comilang, R. Corso, C. Joy, M. Madariaga, K. Mawae, R. Mehra, S. Mida, A. Schuetz, R. Takayama, K. Uyehara, A. Wallwork; Recruits Campanelli, D. Campanelli, D. Johnson, T. Pellazar, J. Skinner; T. Jones, M. Prince

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

**CHIEF'S REPORT** Chief Faamu welcomed Mr. Larry Feinberg to the Commission.

Chief Faamu stated MPD went to Council yesterday requesting \$52.8 million for FY2016. The overall increase is approximately 4%, due to collective bargaining increases and replacement of equipment.

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Deputy Chief Rickard announced seven officers were promoted to the rank of Sergeant effective April 16, 2015: Surendar Singh, Rockwell Silva, Duke Pua, Nathan Pellazar, Tanya Dods, Heather Gilroy and Joy Medeiros.

Interviews are currently being conducted for four lieutenant positions.

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

Patrol continues to utilize the K9 Unit. Last year, there were over 150 Search Warrants; over 50% due to patrol call-outs. CID cleared two homicide investigations. Vice continues to make large ICE seizures. SRT continues to assist CRU, Vice and Patrol as well as assist the fugitive task force.

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

Lieutenant William Hankins is assigned to Hana District; Captain Sterling Kiyota is assigned to Lahaina District; and Captain Ricky Uedoi is assigned to Molokai.

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

The 80<sup>th</sup> Recruit Class is currently in their fourth phase of FTO training.

The 81<sup>st</sup> Recruit Class is currently in Motor Vehicle Accident investigation, Report Writing, Practical Scene Exercises, Physical Training, Mock Trial, and Intergraph Training.

The 82<sup>nd</sup> Recruit Class is scheduled to begin June 1, 2015 with 20 members.

On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, training was conducted for officers participating in body camera pilot project.

Riley Regan, the son of County of Maui Managing Director Keith Regan, was the winner of the “Be a Jerk” tagline contest sponsored by the Underage Drinking Prevention Coalition for Maui County.

The Troy Barboza Torch Run was held on Saturday, April 11, 2015.

The Maui Police Department Police Week Memorial Service will be held on Monday, May 11, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Kihei Station.

The DARE Rally is scheduled for May 21, 2015 at the Iron Maehara Baseball Stadium.

The MPD Summer Leadership Program will begin on June 8 – July 17, 2015.

Welcome Pastor Bob Steele of the Harvest Chapel as a new Chaplain.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** Mr. Takahashi stated for FY2015, we reviewed funding and as of this date there is a carry-over savings of about \$2.5 million, which is the same amount for FY2014. Savings is attributed to vacancies carried throughout the year.

Mr. Takahashi handed out the FY2016 Summary Budget. The total budget is \$52.8 million; \$42 million is for salaries and wages, \$8.5 for operating expenditures, and \$1.3 for equipment. Overall increase is 4%. For equipment, we asked for 25 new vehicles - 18 of which is for patrol and 7 SUVs, 30 tasers, and 7 tactical body vests. For salaries and wages, we asked for \$2 million more - \$567,000 is for overtime increases, \$1.5 million for collective bargaining (SHOPO), and funding for six positions for the C.O.P.S. grant.

**PERSONNEL** The Staffing Report for April 15, 2015 reflects 24 vacant sworn positions with 19 conditional offers pending. There are currently 25 civilian vacancies, 11 of which are ESD positions.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. PC 15-04 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated December 17, 2014
- b. PC 15-05 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated January 7, 2015

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ing to accept and file the correspondence. Commissioner Alcon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Alternative Meeting Location

Next month’s meeting will be held at the University of Hawaii-Maui College, Laulima Building - Room 102, on May 20, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. 2015 State of Hawaii Police Commissioners' Conference

The 2015 State of Hawaii Police Commissioners' Conference will be held on Thursday, April 16-17, 2015 at the Outrigger Reef Hotel.

- b. 2016 State of Hawaii Police Commissioners' Conference

Deferred to next month.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**RECESS: 11:25 A.M.**

**RECONVENE: 11:35 A.M.**

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

- a. Approval of Executive Session Minutes of March 18, 2015

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ing to accept the Executive Session Minutes of March 18, 2015. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and carried unanimously.**

- b. MPC 15-03 Complainant Requesting More Information from the Police Department

Deferred to next month's meeting.

- c. MPC 15-04 Complainant Requesting More Information from the Police Department

**A motion was made by Commissioner Kawasaki 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 Ing. The motion carried unanimously.**

(11:45 a.m.) Commissioner Ing exited the meeting.

- d. Review of Evaluation for the Chief of Police

Commissioners reviewed and discussed the evaluation for the Chief of Police.

e. Presentation by Communications Division and Site Visit to Dispatch Center

Chief Faaumu, members of the Police Commission and the Commission Secretary toured the Communications Division.

**REGULAR SESSION** A motion to return to Regular Session was made by Vice-Chair Tanaka and seconded by Commissioner Kawasaki. The motion carried unanimously.

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

**ADJOURN** (12:35 p.m.) Meeting Adjourned.

**SUBMITTED BY**

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**Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary**

**APPROVED**

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**Kelly Ruidas, Chair**