

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2015 AT 10:00 A.M.
MPD FORENSIC FACILITY/CRIME LAB
WAILUKU, HAWAII**

PRESENT Kelly Ruidas, Chair
Lawrence Feinberg, Member
Howard Hanzawa, Member
Lawrence Ing, Member
Nora Kawasaki, Member

ALSO PRESENT Tivoli Faaumu, Chief of Police
Dean Rickard, Deputy Chief of Police
Danny Matsuura, Assistant Chief, Investigative Services Bureau
Sterling Kiyota, Acting Assistant Chief, Uniform Services Bureau
Jeffrey Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counselor
Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary
Stephen Clark– AKAKU
Anthony Earles, Evidence Specialist

EXCUSED Pancho Alcon, Member
Gwen Ohashi Hiraga, Member
Kevin Tanaka, Member
Michael Wilson, Member
John Jakubczak, Assistant Chief, Support Services Bureau

CALL/QUORUM Chair Ruidas 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: Commissioners Feinberg, Hanzawa, Ing, Kawasaki, and Chair Ruidas.

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 November 18, 2015 was made by Commissioner Kawasaki and seconded by Commissioner Feinberg. The motion carried unanimously.**

LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (23)

Lieutenant R. Dods; Sergeants T. Dods, C. Gantala, J. Foster , J. Medeiros, J. Terry, K. Tom; Officers F. Abreu, T. Alconcel, T. Arase, E. Bayle, J. Bowker, K. Carroll, N. Comilang, S. Farberow, R. Iokia, A. Kahooahanohano, N. Kanekoa, J. Platt, J. Pontanilla, R. Saribay, C. Stephens, M. Tevaga

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

CORRESPONDENCE

a. PC 15-25 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated September 16, 2015

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

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Faaumu thanked everyone who attended the MPD Family Night on December 11, 2015.

Chief Faaumu announced Officer Nelson Johnson returned to duty today.

Private Secretary Kay Ogasawara of the Office of the Chief will be retiring on December 31, 2015.

Deputy Chief Rickard announced five promotions to sergeant by the end of January. There are nine (9) applicants.

Deputy Chief Rickard wished to recognize the efforts of CIU, Community Relations and A.C. Matsuura for coordinating MPD Family Night.

The Shop with a Cop event was held at Kmart on December 6, 2015. This event is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club.

The 81st Recruit Class has gone solo and assigned to their districts. Twenty-two (22) members remaining in the 82nd Recruit Class. The 83rd Recruit Class started on November 16, 2015 with seventeen (17) members.

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

JCPD and SRO Units continue to work with the community and schools with outreach programs – POI, KALO, Second Chance, Keiki Rap, and Pupukahi I Holomua.

SRT continues with active shooter training and assisting the state fugitive task force.

Sergeant Edwin Arreola of the Vice Division will be retiring at the end of the year. He is commended for his 25 years of dedicated service.

Acting Assistant Chief Sterling Kiyota gave the report for the Uniform Services Bureau.

Captain Clarence Kenui of Wailuku Patrol will be retiring effective December 31, 2015. He is commended for 28 years of dedicated service.

Lieutenant Arthur Dadez of Lahaina Patrol will be retiring effective December 31, 2015. He is commended for 29 years of dedicated service.

FINANCIAL REPORT Mr. Takahashi handed out the Financial Report for November 30, 2015. Mr. Takahashi stated we continue to do well on the fiscal side. He expressed his concern regarding overtime. After five months of operation, Mr. Takahashi is concerned whether the department will have enough funding by the end of the year based on overtime expenditures. Overtime expenditures is projected to \$6.8 million, about \$1 million more than last year.

The budget for FY2017 was submitted and the department is awaiting feedback.

PERSONNEL The Personnel Summary and Staffing Report for December 16, 2015 reflects 13 vacant sworn positions with 9 conditional offers pending. There are currently 21 civilian vacancies of which 11 are ESD positions.

For calendar year 2015, the department hired 42 sworn compared to 41 last year. On the civilian side, the department hired 21 compared to 13 last year.

Lieutenant James Fletcher of the Communications Section will be retiring effective December 31, 2015. He is commended for his 29 years of dedicated service.

Juvenile Counselor Keith Moniz of the Juvenile Crime Prevention Division will be retiring effective December 31, 2015. He is commended for 22 years of dedicated service.

The 84th Recruit Class is scheduled to begin June 2016.

OLD BUSINESS

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

No update.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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RECESS: 10:34 A.M.
RECONVENE 11:40 A.M.

a. MPC 15-08, filed on August 5, 2014, complainant requesting more information

A motion was made by Commissioner Hanzawa that the findings contained in the report are sufficient for the Commission to take final action. There is insufficient evidence to prove the material allegations of the complaint and the complaint is therefore not sustained. Commissioner Kawasaki seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Evaluation of the Chief of Police

Commissioners discussed the evaluation of the Chief of Police.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ing to approve Executive Session Minutes of November 18, 2015 and seconded by Commissioner Kawasaki. The motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR SESSION A motion to return to Regular Session was made by Commissioner Ing and seconded by Commissioner Kawasaki. The motion carried unanimously.

RATIFY A motion was made by Commission Hanzawa to ratify the actions taken in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Feinberg and carried unanimously.

RECESS: 11:11 a.m.
RECONVENCE: 11:14 a.m.

SITE VISIT OF THE MPD FORENSIC FACILITY/CRIME LAB

Members of the Police Commission toured the MPD Forensic Facility/Crime Lab (limited meeting).

ADJOURN (11:40 a.m.) The meeting adjourned.

SUBMITTED BY

Cynthia Sasada, Police Commission Secretary

APPROVED

Kelly Ruidas, Chair