

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.  
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII MAUI COLLEGE  
LAULIMA BUILDING, ROOM 102**

**PRESENT** Kevin Tanaka, Chair  
Howard Hanzawa, Vice Chair  
Gwen Ohashi Hiraga, Member  
Lawrence Ing, Member  
Michael Wilson, Member  
Nora Kawasaki, Member

**ALSO** Dean Rickard, Deputy Chief of Police  
Victor Ramos Assistant Chief, Investigative Services Bureau  
John Jakubczak, Assistant Chief, Uniform Services Bureau  
Sterling Kiyota, Assistant Chief Support Services  
Greg Takahashi, Business Manager

Jeffrey Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counselor  
Carolyn Ware, Police Commission Secretary, Pro-Tem  
Chaplain Arza Brown  
Barry Aoki, SHOPO  
Chris Dack, AKAKU

**EXCUSED** Lawrence Feinberg, Member  
Eugene Santiago, Member  
May Fujiwara, Member  
Tivoli Faaumu, Chief of Police

**CALL/  
QUORUM** Chair Tanaka called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was ascertained with six Commissioners present to conduct business.

**ROLL CALL** Present at the meeting: Chair Tanaka, Vice Chair Hanzawa, Commissioner Hiraga, Commissioner Ing, Commissioner Kawasaki, Commissioner Wilson.

**OPENING  
REMARKS** The opening remarks were offered by Chaplain Arza Brown

**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 December 21, 2016 was made by Commissioner Hiraga and seconded by Commissioner Ing. The motion carried unanimously**

## **LETTERS OF COMMENDATION (74)**

**Captains: Clyde Holokai, Donald Kanemitsu, Steven Orikasa; Lieutenants: Gegg Okamoto, Jeraul Pladera; Sergeants: Heather Gilroy, Nicholas Krau, Duka Pua, John Sang, Keola Tom; Detectives: Matthew Brown, Mary Lee Sagawinit, Audra Sellers; Officers: Janae Balag, Darrell Belen, Justin Box, Ka Lae O Kaena Brown, Nichole Comilang, Bethany Cravalho-Parker (2), Kenneth Carroll, Kunal Chopra, Christopher Clark, Ryan Ehlers, Glen Goya, Korey Harris, Jun Hattori, Timothy Hodgens, Darryl Honda, Jonathan Honda, Marjorie Kahookele-Pea, Emily Kibby, Marlon Madariaga, Justin Mauiola, Kamuela Mawae (2), Michael Meredith, Kawika Orneallas, Alvin Ota, Alex Pagan, Chad Romero, Christopher Visaya; Recruits 85<sup>th</sup>: Emmanuel Bello, Matthew Cardenas, Tazminey Cremer, Mousa Kawas, Keith Kircher, Nathan Lau, Asti Merino, Kauano'e Mossman, Todd Pharmer, Cameron Sakai, Leon Saunders, Andrew Szccepan, Victoria Van Duzer, Jonathan Young, Arthur Wake, Recruits 84<sup>th</sup>: Julie Custudio, Caleb Guarriello, Shane Hernandez, Zachary Kamaka, Steven Landsiedel, Cy Nakashima, Thomas Simmonds; Public Safety Aides: Kristine Armstrong, Pamela Hollingsworth, Joann Paman; Evidence Custodian: Donna Auwae; Secretary II Terry Jones, Lisa Ann Tomita; Office Operations Assistants**

Commissioners Hanzawa and Ing commended all the participants who participated in the various fund-raising programs during the holiday season and stated it shows that moral is high.

**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. Letter from Salary Commission

**A motion to file Letter from Salary Commission was made by Commissioner Ing and seconded by Commissioner Kawasaki. The motion carried unanimously.**

## **CHIEF'S REPORT**

Deputy Chief Rickard informed the Commission Chief Faaumu was on vacation and regretted not being able to attend the meeting. Related were are a number of personnel changes on the Executive level, due to the retirement of Assistant Chief Danny Maturra which left a vacancy at the end of 2016.

Deputy Chief Rickard extended his congratulations to Captain Sterling Kiyota, who served in the Lahaina Patrol District, on his promotion to Assistant Chief of the Support Services Bureau.

Deputy Chief Rickard further related that Assistant Chief Victor Ramos will serve as Bureau Commander for the Investigative Services Bureau, and Assistant Chief John Jakubczak will serve as Bureau Commander for the Uniform Services Bureau.

Stated he also wanted to recognize Captain David Silva for graduating from the 266<sup>th</sup> Session of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. Related it is a prestigious honor to be nominated and selected to attend this Academy.

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

Related it is an absolute privilege to be Bureau Commander of the Investigative Services Bureau and he is getting to know the various divisions.

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

Stated he is new to the Uniform Services Bureau and appreciates all the work and effort Assistant Chief Ramos did to make Uniform Services what it is, and he hopes to continue that work in his position.

Stated the Shop with a Cop Program has grown from about 35 officers to about 75 officers over the past several years. Related the children and the parents really get so much out of this program. He further related that the officers really look forward every year to seeing the smiles on the children's faces, as it is so rewarding to us as officers to be a part of this program. He thanked the staff, sponsors and all the groups that make this event possible every year.

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Assistant Chief Sterling Kiyota gave the report for the Support Service Bureau

Stated he is also settling into his new position in Support Services.

Related Phase II of the construction in the Evidence area is underway with the estimated time of completion February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Stated Body Worn Camera: Taser International has been selected as the vendor and the General Order is being reviewed by Corporation Counsel. We are looking at purchasing the first 150 cameras in March via a Grant Fund.

Related the 84<sup>th</sup> Recruit Class has 7 recruits and the graduation is set for February 17<sup>th</sup>. The 85<sup>th</sup> Recruit Class still has 20 recruits, and the 86<sup>th</sup> currently has 3 with one scheduled to start mid-February making a total of 4 -- this class starts June 5<sup>th</sup>.

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**FINANCIAL** Mr. Greg Takahashi reported for FY2017, the department is doing good. We have ample funds for the rest of the year.

**PERSONNEL** The Personnel Summary and Staffing Report for December 31, 2016 reflects 16 vacant sworn positions with 6 conditional offers pending. Stated currently there are 23 civilian vacancies of which 17 are ESD positions --1 conditional. Stated currently there are two conditional offers outstanding: Evidence Custodial; Office Operations Assistant.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. None.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson to enter into executive session to review the agenda item(s) listed above, one or more executive meetings are anticipated, pursuant to Section 92-5(a) (2) (4), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to consider the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline of an officer or employee or of charges brought against the officer or employee, where consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved; and to consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities. Commissioner Ing seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

**RECESS: 10:30 A.M.**

**RECONVENE: 10:38 A.M.**

**REGULAR: A motion to return to Regular Session at 11:00 a.m. was made by Commissioner Kawasaki and seconded by Commissioner Ing. The motion carried unanimously.**

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

