

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.
UNIVERSITY HAWAII MAUI COLLEGE
LAULIMA BUILDING, ROOM 102**

PRESENT Kevin Tanaka, Chair
Howard Hanzawa, Vice Chair
Lawrence Feinberg, Member
Gwen Ohashi Hiraga, Member
Nora Kawasaki, Member
Randol Leach, Member
Eugene Santiago, Member

ALSO PRESENT 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 Bureau
Lesley Uemae, Accountant II
Jeffrey Ueoka, Deputy Corporation Counsel
Amy Lau, Police Commission Secretary

EXCUSED Tivoli Faaumu, Chief of Police
June Nouchi, Administrative Assistant

DELAYED Maxwell "Max" Tsai, Member

**CALL/
QUORUM** Chair Tanaka called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. A quorum was ascertained with seven Commissioners present to conduct business.

ROLL CALL Present at the meeting: Chair Tanaka, Vice Chair Hanzawa, Commissioner Feinberg, Commissioner Hiraga, Commissioner Kawasaki, Commissioner Leach and Commissioner Santiago.

OPENING REMARKS None

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 April 19, 2017 with corrections was made by Commissioner Kawasaki and seconded by Vice Chair Hanzawa. The motioned carried unanimously.

LETTER OF COMMENDATION (51)

Detectives D. Kaaukai, A. Krau, O. Satterfield; Sergeants K. Bishaw-Juorio, , K. Santos, R. Saribay, J. Terry; Officers K. Anakalea, E. Bartolome, A. Cabral, K. Carroll, W. Cleghorn, B. Cravalho-Parker, R. Corso, M. Engoring, S. Farberow, P. Feagai, A. Gandauli, D. Imakyure, L. Kaai, C. Loo, R. Partridge, T. Pellazar, P. Pomainville, M. Ryan, J. Thompson, T. Zajac; Recruits E. Bello, J. Callo, M. Cardenas, M. Kawas, K. Kircher, N. Lau, S. Leon, C. Masuda, A. Merino, K. Mossman, D. Pachico, T. Pharmer, C. Sakai, A. Szczepan, V. Van Duzer, A. Wake, J. Young; Ms. T. Young, Secretary III, Ms. K. Paschoal, Records Manager, Ms. J. Aquino, Evidence Custodian I, Ms. S. Khangsensing, Evidence Custodian I, Mr. K. Lee, Evidence Custodian I, Ms. A. Spencer, Office Operations Assistant, Ms. E. Walter, Investigator.

A motion to accept and file the Letter of Commendation was made by Commissioner Kawasaki and seconded by Vice Chair Hanzawa. The motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. PC 17-15 Invitation from Hawaii Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation
- b. PC 17-16 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated January 1, 2017
- c. PC 17-17 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated January 15, 2017
- d. PC 17-18 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated February 1, 2017
- e. PC 17-19 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated February 15, 2017
- f. PC 17-20 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated March 1, 2017
- g. PC 17-21 Honolulu Police Commission Minutes dated March 15, 2017

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

CHIEF'S REPORT

Deputy Chief Dean Rickard stated Police Chief Tivoli Faaumu is in Quantico at the FBI Academy attending the Executive Leadership Development training.

The Deputy related this year's theme for the Police Commissioners' Conference on Kauai, "Building Bridges between Police Departments and Communities", is relative to today's policing. It was good to see how other commission members approached their responsibilities to assess what was important to them and their community. Guest Speaker Tenari Maafala, SHOPO President and HPD member, spoke with true passion for the job, everyone involved in law enforcement, and the responsibilities of the commissioners.

Deputy Rickard thanked the Community Relations Section for coordinating the memorial service that honors Maui County's law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. "To everyone who attended, your presence provides comfort to the families and friends of our fallen heroes." Police Week continues with tours of the station to various organizations.

As of May 1, Sgt. Oscar Martin Del Campo of Wailuku Patrol Division and Warrants Clerk, Ms. Anita Mortel of our Records Division, retired with 25 years of service. We congratulate and commend their dedication to the department and their community and wish them the best moving forward.

Deputy Rickard gave the Personnel Report and stated there are 22 police vacancies and 26 civilian vacancies. We would like to remind the Commission that although we are diligently exploring all recruitment efforts to get the applications in, we are now at a critical point in trying to fill the 17 vacant ESD positions.

Our Internal Investigations and Administrative Actions shows 11 incidents investigated last month resulting with 13 employees being charged. Two were verbally reprimanded, two received written reprimands, five received suspensions ranging from one to five days, and one investigation resulted with none of the allegations being sustained.

Budget Chair Hokama advised that \$336,000 was cut from our recommended budget. Cuts included the expansion positions for the Police Major and the Emergency Services Coordinator. Also cut was \$6,000 from each Division asking for vehicles. Molokai will receive a new, much needed vehicle for their Animal Control officer.

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

AC Ramos stated Patrol has been responding to a lot of heavy cases and doing good preliminary investigations before passing the baton to CID. The teamwork between Patrol and CID have most of the responsables being caught and the Detectives are doing a good job gathering evidence to make sure we have prosecution in these cases.

On June 1 we welcome two JCPD investigators; Officer Geste Ornellas and Officer Andrew Cabral. Of the 6 investigative positions in JCPD, only 2 are filled. Officer Paul Feagai and Officer Wilfred Ahuna were selected for Narcotics Vice but due to patrol's manpower, their effective date will be the end of the year or early next year. Sgt. Lawrence Pagaduan's five-year term and one-year extension is up and we are in the process of selecting an SRO Supervisor.

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

AC Jakubczak concurred with AC Ramos about Patrol doing a fantastic job taking the initial cases, documenting them, and investigating them as far as they can go before they hand it off to CID to continue the investigation. It's been a great partnership there, as well as with Vice, JCPD and the other ISB units.

Our Traffic Section will participate in the national "Click-It-Or-Ticket Campaign" from May 22nd to June 4th looking for seatbelt violations and child restraint issues. Graduation season will be seeing more sobriety checkpoints from now throughout the summer in all districts, including Lanai, Molokai and Hana.

On June 1 Lt. John Foster from Lahaina Patrol transferred to Lahaina CID. Officer Jonathan Aquino of Molokai will move to the Molokai SRO position. Officer Randolph Gayoma will transfer from Kihei to Molokai. Officer Michael Ryan from Hana will transfer to Lahaina and Officer Noel Taloroc, Jr. from Lahaina will transfer to Hana.

On May 16, the annual Junior Police Officers' picnic was held at the Wailuku Community Center for 5th graders. AC Jakubczak thanked Lt. Gannon, his traffic crew and the Community Relations staff for putting this event together to provide them with lunches, awards, games and activities. A special shout out to Officer Kawika Hong, JPO Coordinator, who mentors these kids throughout the year.

Assistant Chief Sterling Kiyota gave the report for the Support Services Bureau.

AC Kiyota stated 17 recruits are in Arrest and Defense Tactics training and their graduation is set for August 2nd. The 86th Recruit Class will start on June 26 with 5 recruits.

On April 29 from 10 am to 2 pm, the National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day was held at the Wailuku Police Station where 60 pounds of medications were turned in for disposal.

On May 12 the Battle of the Badges Flag Football Game between the Police Department and the Fire Department was held at the War Memorial Football Stadium. The Fire Department won 36 to 7 and the score is now tied with the Police Department's win of last year. All proceeds will support the Boys & Girls Club of Maui.

Commissioner Tsai entered the meeting at 10:29 a.m.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Lesley Uemae stated as of April for fiscal year 2017, we are on track with 17% of our budget left. We are at 22% for personnel. Admin and Uniformed Services should just about make it right on target. The Radio Shop budget received \$762,000 for much needed ongoing maintenance and support of the Public Safety Radio System. With mostly personnel cuts, the difference between the 2018 and 2017 budget is only a .2 percent increase in the total budget.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Police Commission Meeting on Molokai Late 2017

Chair Tanaka stated the intention of this Commission is to alternate travel to Molokai and Lanai at least once a year. We would travel to Molokai in the afternoon to allow the public to show up after hours to our meeting. Discussion of Police Commission Meeting on the third Wednesday of November to be continued.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Santiago to enter into Executive Session. With reference to the agenda items(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 Feinberg seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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REGULAR SESSION A motion to return to Regular Session at 11:33 a.m. was made by Commissioner Santiago and seconded by Commissioner Tsai. The motion carried unanimously.

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

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Kauai Conference Recap

Commissioner Hiraga stated the Conference was well worth attending and she received a lot of good ideas in talking with other commissioners. Commissioner Tsai, being a new member, felt attending the conference was very valuable in learning what police officers and their departments have to go through.

- b. Discussion of Formation of Sub-Committees

- i. Annual Evaluation of the Chief

Chair Tanaka would like to create a sub-committee to reboot the Chief's evaluation form to be user friendly and to simplify the phrasing of questions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kawasaki and seconded by Vice Chair Hanzawa to create an investigative group in accordance with Section 92-2.5(b)(1), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which shall be referred to as the Annual Evaluation of the Chief Committee to look into the form for the annual evaluation of the Chief. The membership of that Committee will be Vice Chair Hanzawa, Commissioner Hiraga, Commissioner Feinberg and Commissioner Kawasaki. Each member shall have equal authority to make decisions regarding this matter. The motion carried unanimously.

ii. Commission Budget Review Process

Chair Tanaka related the Charter states the Commission reviews and submits the annual budget to the Mayor. The Commission would like to work with the Department to be more informed and inclusive in this process.

A motion was made by Commissioner Leach and seconded by Commissioner Hiraga to create an investigative group in accordance with Section 92-2.5(b)(1), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which shall be referred to as the Budget Review Process Committee to evaluate and review the budget review process. The membership of that Committee will be Commissioner Tsai, Commissioner Hiraga and Commissioner Leach. Each member shall have equal authority to make decisions regarding this matter. The motion carried unanimously.

iii. Review of Commission Rules and Handbook

Chair Tanaka related the Charter states the Commission Rules are our responsibility and changes can be made, but the charter duties are set.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tsai and seconded by Commissioner Santiago to create an investigative group in accordance with Section 92-2.5(b)(1), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which shall be referred to as the Commission Rules Committee to evaluate and review the Commission Rules and Handbook. The membership of that Committee will be Chair Tanaka, Commissioner Kawasaki and Commissioner Tsai. Each member shall have equal authority to make decisions regarding this matter. The motion carried unanimously.

c. NACOLE Conference

The National Association of Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement Conference is scheduled for Sunday, September 10 through Thursday, September 14, 2017 in Spokane, Washington. This annual event draws 500 attendees from across the nation. Vice-Chair Hanzawa and Commissioner Santiago have expressed interest in attending.

DISCUSSION OF FUTURE MAUI POLICE COMMISSION AGENDAS

AGENDA SETTING

The next meeting of the Maui Police Commission is scheduled for June 21, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the University Hawaii Maui College.

ADJOURN **(12:08 p.m.) The meeting adjourned.**

SUBMITTED BY

Amy Lau, Police Commission Secretary

APPROVED

Kevin Tanaka, Chair