



NEW WESTMINSTER POLICE BOARD

OPEN AGENDA

Tuesday, 16 February, 2021 @ 0930

✓ Indicates Attachment

1	ADOPTION	
✓	1.1 Adoption of Open Agenda: 16 February, 2021 1.2 Delegations	<i>Police Board</i>
2	CONSENT AGENDA	<i>Police Board</i>
✓	2.1 Approval of Open Minutes: 19 January, 2021	
	2.2 Police Board Member Reports	
✓	2.3 Policy: OB55: Parental Child Abduction Investigations	
✓	OG30: Medical and Non-Medical Masks	
✓	2.4 Statistics: January 2021	
✓	2.5 Report on B&E and Weapons Statistics	
	2.6 Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Appointment: Wayne Rideout Notice of AGM and Call for Resolutions 	
3	ONGOING BUSINESS	
	None	<i>Chief Constable Jansen</i>
4	NEW BUSINESS	
✓	4.1 BCAPB Appointment of Executive Board 2021/22	<i>Police Board</i>
	NEXT MEETING	
	Date: Tuesday, 20 April, 2021 at 0930 Location: ZOOM Video Conference	
	ADJOURNMENT OF OPEN MEETING	



NEW WESTMINSTER MUNICIPAL POLICE BOARD

January 19, 2021 @ 0930

Via ZOOM

MINUTES of Regular Meeting

PRESENT:	Mayor Jonathan Côté Mr. Sasha Ramnarine Mr. Karim Hachlaf	Chair
STAFF:	Chief Constable D. Jansen Deputy Chief P. Hyland Inspector T. Matsumoto Inspector T. Dudar Inspector D. McDaniel Inspector C. Mullin Ms. D. Dyer	Board Secretary
GUESTS:	Cst. C. Oliveira	

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED AND SECONDED (Ramnarine/Hachlaf)

THAT: The New Westminster Police Board approve the January 19, 2021, Regular Agenda

CARRIED

1.2 Delegations

None.

1.3 Silver Branch Project Presentation

Cst. Oliveira presented an overview of the Silver Branch Project to the Board. The Silver Branch Project is a police-initiated community outreach and prevention program for at-risk older adults with cognitive impairment and dementia issues.

The Silver Branch Project is designed to provide educational and practical strategies to front-line police officers who encounter older adults with cognitive impairment and dementia, including safety planning for those reporting missing or have wandered.

Received for information.

2. CONSENT AGENDA (Hachlaf/ Ramnarine)

2.1 Approval of Minutes: 26 November, 2020

2.2 Police Board Member Reports

2.3 Policy: OD100 – Charge Recommendations

2.4 Statistics

2.5 Correspondence

- NWPOA Letter to Police Board
- Response to City Council RE Calls for Justice Report
- Letter of Thanks to NWPB for CAPG Sponsorship
- Message from ADM Butterworth-Carr
- Capacity and Funding Gaps at JIBC
- Thank you Correspondence
- BCAPB 2021 Notice of AGM and Call for Resolutions

MOVED AND SECONDED (Ramnarine/Hachlaf)

THAT: Item 2.3 and 2.5 be removed from the Consent Agenda; and

THAT: The remaining Consent Agenda items be approved.

CARRIED

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

2.3 Policy

Mr. Ramnarine removed this item from the Consent Agenda to ask for a further explanation on the policy. Deputy Chief Hyland provided further information.

2.5 Correspondence: Thank you Correspondence

Mr. Ramnarine stated that he did not have an opportunity to review the video within this item and asked for further information. Chief Constable Jansen explained that there was a small protest outside a local restaurant following the request that customers wear masks upon entering the premises. The member involved is a junior member and was praised for the way in which the situation had been managed.

2.5 Correspondence: Letter From NWPOA

Mr. Hachlaf thanked the NWPOA for their letter and the opportunity to work collaboratively for solutions.

3. ONGOING BUSINESS/ DISCUSSION

3.1 City Council Resolution and 2021 Police Budget

Chief Constable Jansen presented the '2021 Provisional Budget – Background and Board Approval' report, found within the Board package.

Discussion ensued amongst the board, with the following of note:

- The budget focuses on three areas of enhancement; DIEAR Framework, funding of engagement within the community to guide the Police board with reform initiatives, and the purchase of PPE and Naloxone.
- Mr. Hachlaf and Mr. Ramnarine stated that they are in support of the ongoing work as a police department and moving resources away, however, not in a way that jeopardizes the safety of the community. They will not support a reduction in budget until the gap has been bridged.
- The Board are proud of the motion that was previously passed at the Police Board meeting in June 2020, which set the framework to engage in these discussions.
- The Board respect the motion and intent from City Council, but note that the Board have a responsibility to people and to employees.
- We are not the only police department having these discussions and have the ability to have discussions and engage with other communities in this work.
- We need to work collaboratively to move important policy work.
- It is important as a board that the commitment to this work be reaffirmed.
- The budget that has been put forward is largely status quo, with enhancements to DIEAR, PPE and Naloxone, and the Board stand by these enhancements.
- The Board look forward to reengaging with City Council on this work.

MOVED AND SECONDED (Ramnarine/Hachlaf)

THAT: The Board respectfully decline the request of the New Westminster City Council for a 0% increase in the NWPB's 2021 budget

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT of Regular Meeting

Chair Jonathan Côté adjourned the meeting at 0945 hrs.

Next meeting: February 16, 2021 @ 0900
Via Zoom

MAYOR JONATHAN COTE
CHAIR

D. DYER
RECORDING SECRETARY

Parental Child Abduction Investigations

OB55	New: Draft	OB55
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Risk Assessment: High

POLICY

- 1. The New Westminster Police Department (NWPD) will consider reports of children abducted by a parent to be a priority complaint.

REASON FOR POLICY

- 2. Parental child abductions are serious, difficult and complex situations that can have lifelong impacts on those involved.
- 3. To provide direction and guidance to Members regarding the investigation, decision to arrest and when and how charges may be recommended against persons who have been reported to have committed a parental child abduction offence.

CAVEAT

- 4. This policy is not intended or designed for suspected child abductions by a non-parent/non-legal guardian or crimes where a ransom or other specific demand has been communicated to the parents/family of an abducted child (ie. kidnapping).

DEFINITIONS

- 5. **Parental Child Abduction** - Parental child abduction occurs when one parent, without either legal authority or the permission of the other parent, takes a child from the parent who has lawful custody.

RELEVANT CRIMINAL LAW

- 6. **Section 282 of the *Criminal Code*** - prohibits parental child abductions in situations where there is a custody order made by a Canadian court.

7. **Section 283 of the *Criminal Code*** - applies to situations where parents continue to have joint custody of their child by operation of law, where there is a written agreement, where there is a foreign custody order, or where the abducting parent did not believe or know there was a valid custody order.
8. **Case Law** - The Ontario Court of Appeal in *R v McDougall (1990) 62 CCC (3d) 174* at 189 cautioned that:

The offence created by s. 282 is a grave one and is intended to strike at conduct in the nature of child abduction. Care must be taken before a prosecution is launched under s. 282 to ensure that the events complained of truly amount to criminal conduct. This care is evidenced by the requirement in s. 283 (a companion section to s. 282) that the Attorney General or counsel instructed by him consent to proceedings under that section. It is very common in custody and access disputes that each parent feels terribly wronged and makes the most serious allegation against the otherCriminal prosecutions cannot become a weapon in the arsenal of parties to acrimonious family disputes.

Medical and Non-Medical Masks

OG30

Effective: New

OG30

Risk Assessment: High

POLICY

1. The New Westminster Police Department (NYPD) will ensure that sworn and civilian members will have access to medical and non-medical masks as part of their personal protective equipment and that staff are aware of the circumstances in which they are to be used.

REASON FOR POLICY

2. To provide clarity on when Medical and Non-Medical Masks should be worn.
3. To promote a secure and safe working environment and to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

DEFINITIONS

4. Medical Masks – these types of masks are considered approved personal protective equipment (PPE) and offer the wearer much better protection against COVID-19 than non-medical masks.
5. Non-Medical Masks – these types of masks are not considered official personal protective equipment (PPE), they offer a reduced level of protection. They are meant to reduce the spread of respiratory deposits by the individual wearing the mask. They are meant to alleviate concerns members of the public may have when interacting with NYPD employees and provide for a more comfortable option in lower risk situations.

Calls for Service

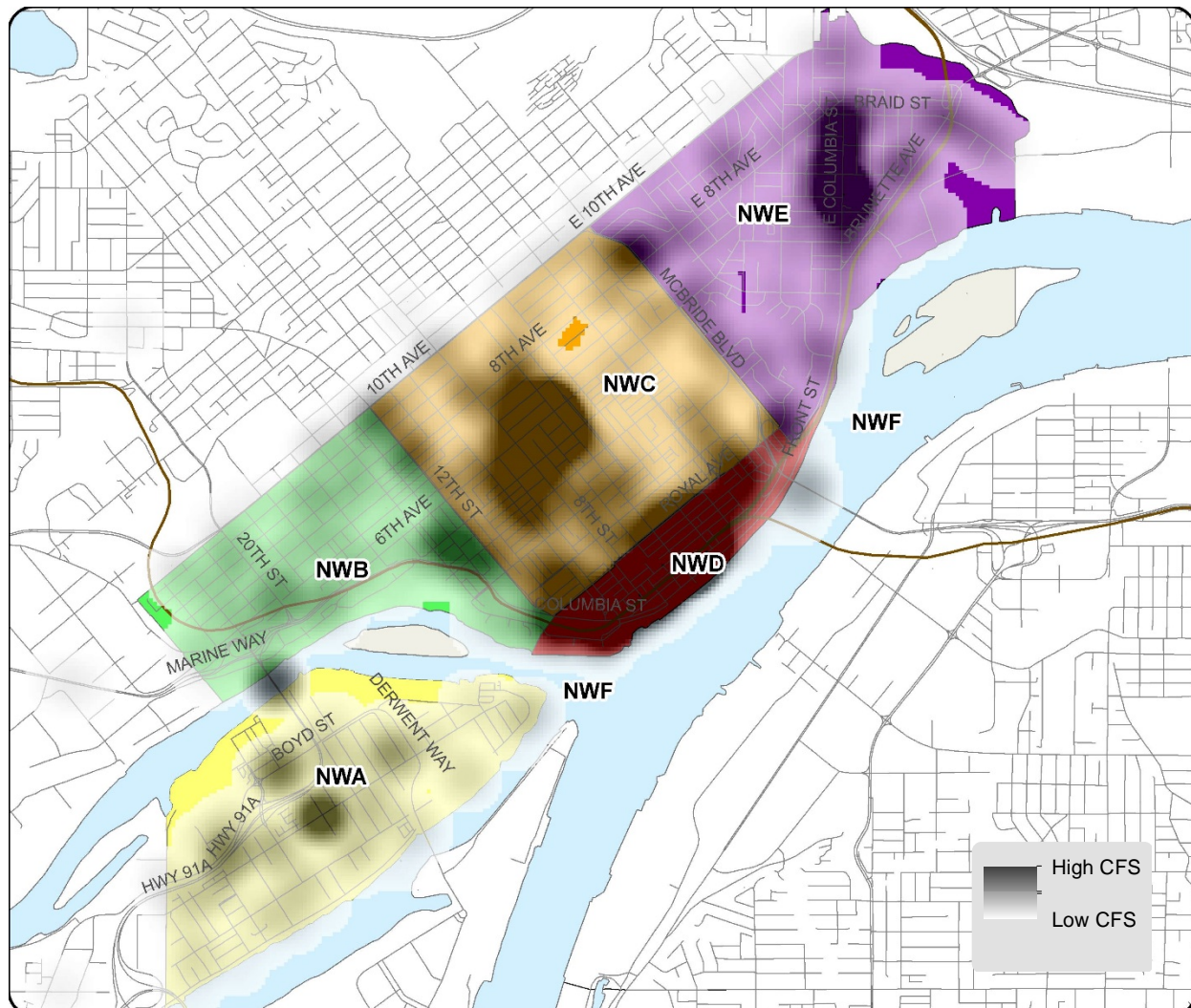
	Dec 2020	Jan 2021	Jan avg range	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD +/-	YTD % chg
Queensborough (NWA)	128	137	129-196	137	137	0	0%
West End (NWB)	123	148	168-175	175	148	-27	-15%
Mid-Uptown (NWC)	518	475	517-681	510	475	-35	-7%
Downtown (NWD)	372	429	341-383	373	429	56	15%
East End (NWE)	206	210	236-266	236	210	-26	-11%
Water (NWF)	0	1	0-1	1	1	0	-
Skytrain Stns (NWG)	31	28	23-35	36	28	-8	-22%
Spec. Locations (NWH)	94	121	124-164	152	121	-31	-20%
Other	26	34	22-32	22	34	12	55%
Total Calls For Service	1498	1583	1652-1840	1642	1583	-59	-4%

Above normal range

Within normal range

Below normal range

Note: Zone H includes certain high-volume or special interest locations in the city, with the bulk of incidents linked to NWPD headquarters, the Law Courts, Royal Columbian Hospital, or the Queensborough & Pattullo bridges.



Monitored Occurrence Types

Persons Crimes	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	+/-	2021 YTD	2020 YTD	+/-	% change
All Persons Offences	78	89	-11	78	89	-11	-12%
Assault	35	36	-1	35	36	-1	-3%
Domestic Violence	40	63	-23	40	63	-23	-37%
Family Violence	23	26	-3	23	26	-3	-12%
Robbery	6	4	2	6	4	2	50%
Sex Assaults	4	3	1	4	3	1	33%
Indecent Acts	1	4	-3	1	4	-3	-75%
Other Sex Offences	0	1	-1	0	1	-1	-100%

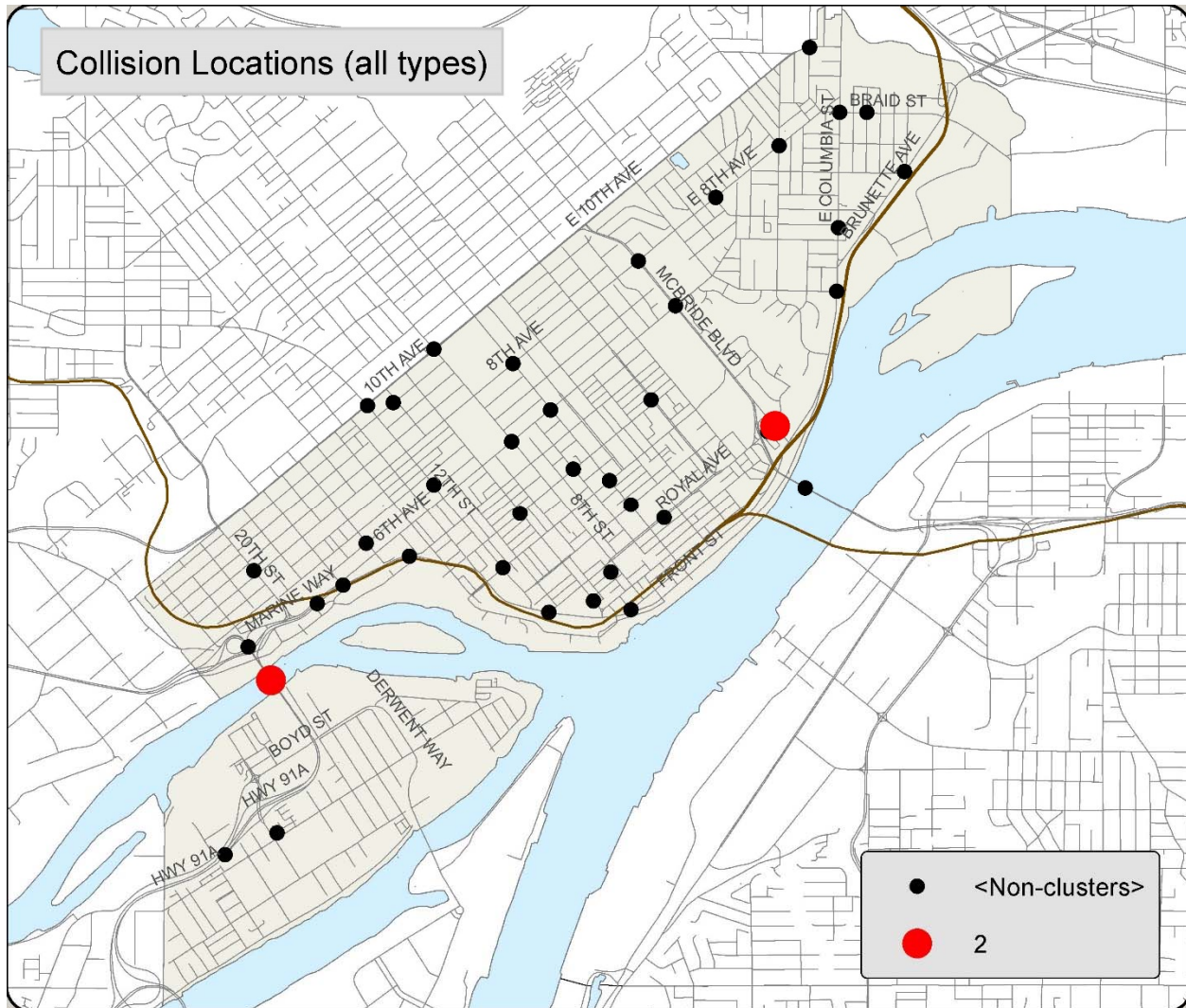
Property Crimes	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	+/-	2021 YTD	2020 YTD	+/-	% change
All Property Offences	290	251	39	290	251	39	16%
Break and Enter – Total	41	30	11	41	30	11	37%
Break and Enter – Business	28	16	12	28	16	12	75%
Break and Enter – Residence	5	6	-1	5	6	-1	-17%
Break and Enter – Other	7	6	1	7	6	1	17%
Theft of Vehicle	13	16	-3	13	16	-3	-19%
Recovered Stolen Vehicle	4	5	-1	4	5	-1	-20%
Theft From Vehicle	78	58	20	78	58	20	34%

Drug Offences	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	+/-	2021 YTD	2020 YTD	+/-	% change
Drug Possession (all)	1	3	-2	1	3	-2	-67%
Trafficking (all)	1	4	-3	1	4	-3	-75%

Other Crimes	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	+/-	2021 YTD	2020 YTD	+/-	% change
Possession of Firearms	5	1	4	5	1	4	400%
Possession of Weapons	4	2	2	4	2	2	100%
Hate Motivated Crime	0	0	0	0	0	0	-

Other Non-Criminal	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	+/-	2021 YTD	2020 YTD	+/-	% change
Missing Persons	11	12	-1	11	12	-1	-8%
Missing Persons – High Risk	8	6	2	8	6	2	33%
Mental Health related (study flag B)	64	61	3	64	61	3	5%
Mental Health related (s. 28 arrests)	30	34	-4	30	34	-4	-12%
Disturbed Person/Att. Suicide	42	76	-34	42	76	-34	-45%
Sudden Deaths	8	5	3	8	5	3	60%
Domestic Dispute – No Assault	30	49	-19	30	49	-19	-39%

Traffic/Driving	Jan 2021	Jan 2020	+/-	2021 YTD	2020 YTD	+/-	% change
Collision - Non-fatal Injury	7	13	-6	7	13	-6	-46%
Collision - Damage under \$10,000	30	27	3	30	27	3	11%
Collision - Damage over \$10,000	8	3	5	8	3	5	167%
Impaired Driving	6	2	4	6	2	4	200%
IRP	13	13	0	13	13	0	0%



Statistics in this report are compiled from the Police Records Information Management Environment (PRIME) and reflect the most current information available at the time of writing regarding incidents reported to or discovered by the New Westminster Police Department. The data is subject to change if continuing investigation, Quality Assurance review, or Statistics Canada policies require an incident(s) to be reclassified.



New Westminster Police Department

REPORT

To: Mayor Côté and Members of the New Westminster Police Board

Date: February 16, 2021

From: Chief Constable David Jansen

Item #: 2.5

Subject: Report for the Police Board on 2019 – 2020 (June – Dec) statistics for Break and Enters / Weapons

BACKGROUND

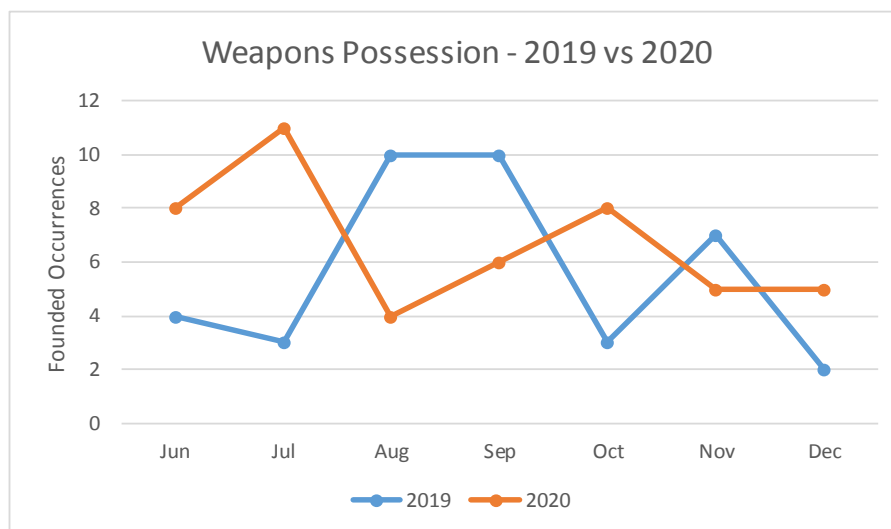
At the Police Board meeting in November of 2020, the month end report on Statistics for October 2020 was presented and reflected an increase in percentage change for weapons offences and break and enter offences. The Board requested further explanation into the increased activity in 2020 between the summer and fall months in comparison to the same time frame in 2019. A review of all files under the respective offence categories was undertaken and greater context has been provided below.

DISCUSSION

Weapons Offences:

Between June and December of 2020, weapons possession files trended slightly downward. The monthly total for July 2020 was markedly higher than in July 2019, but dropped to more normal levels in the following months. Anecdotally, summer months generally show an increase in weapons possession files compared to the rest of the year. However, it is not known if or how the global pandemic and resulting restrictions have altered these historical patterns. A thorough review of all weapons files for 2019 / 2020, June through to December, was carried in order to determine any casual factors to the rise we saw in 2020. Findings:

- There was a 23% increase in founded incidents from 2019 to 2020. Although the amount of incidents reported to police remained consistent (2019 = 28, 2020 = 29), there was a significant increase (72%) in the amount of weapons by officers during the course of investigations that were not originally reported to involve a weapon (2019 = 11, 2020 = 19).
- There was a consistent trend of the types of weapons being located by police or used in the offences, notably seeing knives and bear spray, followed by air soft/BB guns, few actual firearms offences were captured by this offence code.



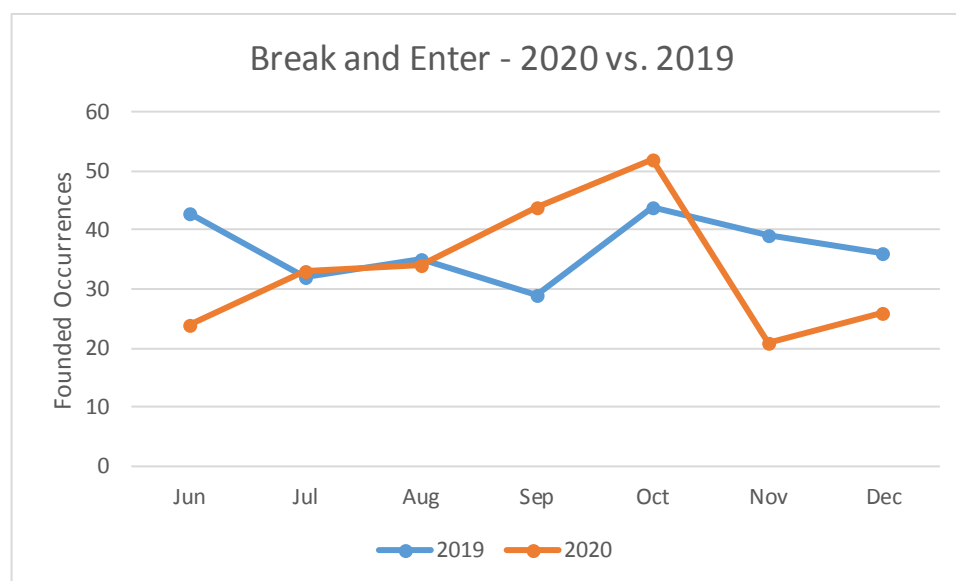
The list of founded occurrences may differ slightly then what was reported in the monthly Police Board Statistical Reports due to subsequent quality assurance reviews and re-categorization.

Break and Enter Investigations:

New Westminster noted an increase in break and enters between June and November, 2020. The increase in frequency is believed to be attributed to keys suspects committing repeat break and enters to detached garages until they were identified, located, arrested, and charged. Following the arrest of one particular prolific offender, break and enters began to fall back well within normal levels. Based on this offender's methods, it is believed that this person is responsible for several other break and enters (possibly 14), however, police were unable to collect the forensic evidence required for charge recommendations. The New Westminster Street Crime Unit executed a search warrant on the suspect's residence which located over 100 items of property that are believed to be stolen, with 12 items having been returned to their owners. These recoveries have resulted in

two additional charges of Possession of Stolen Property and could lead to more as the investigation continues. In addition, within the specified time period, the NWPD Forensic Identification Unit identified three additional prolific property crime offenders who are charged for Break and Enter. Additional findings are as follows:

- There were 95 confirmed incidents of break and enters between June and December, 2020.
- 22 of the 95 incidents had a suspect(s) identified, with evidence to support charges being recommended against 14 suspects.
- 10 of the 14 suspects were not known to NWPD officers.
- In 24 of the 95 incidents, a parkade was broken into where theft of bicycles and thefts from autos typically resulted. (The NWPD Crime Reduction Unit worked with businesses where there were obvious uptakes in parkade thefts, such as Royal Columbian Hospital, in order to reduce frequency)
- In 9 of the 95 incidents, storage lockers/rooms were targeted.
- In 14 of the 95 incidents, a garage was targeted, bicycles and tools were typical targets for theft.
- In 18 of the 95 incidents, a residence was targeted, of which 8 incidents lead to a suspect being identified and charged.



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CONCLUSION

Although there was a spike in break and enter and weapons offences from 2019 to 2020, between June 1 to December 31, in both offence categories, there has been a noticeable reduction in frequency to more normal levels at year end. Proactive policing contributed to the partial increase in weapons files being generated and prolific break and enter suspects found themselves committing repeat crimes within the City, before being identified, arrested and charged.

This report has been prepared by: Insp. Chris MULLIN

Approved for Presentation

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Jansen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a stylized "J".

Dave Jansen
Chief Constable

Daisy DYER

Subject: FW: FW: Executive Announcement

----- Forwarded message -----

From:

Date: Tue, 19 Jan 2021 at 10:15

Subject: FW: Executive Announcement

Hello,

Please see below for an Executive announcement from the Deputy Solicitor General, please distribute as you see fit.

From: Deputy Minister Communication
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2021 11:35 AM
Subject: Executive Announcement



Jan. 15, 2021

Good morning,

I am pleased to inform you that Wayne Rideout has been appointed Acting Assistant Deputy Minister for Police Services Branch (PSB), effective January 18, 2021. Many of us know Wayne given his recent experience with PSB, as well as his large contribution to policing in the province over many years.

In 2016, Wayne completed a 34-year career as the Assistant Commissioner, Criminal Operations Officer, Investigative Services and Organized Crime, with the Royal Canadian

Mounted Police. While in the RCMP, Wayne worked collaboratively with PSB and the Assistant Deputy Minister and Director of Police Services.

After leaving the RCMP, Wayne, as a consultant, led the development of the Illegal Firearms Task Force. That work has informed many current PSB initiatives. In 2017, Wayne was engaged in a full-time role with PSB as the Deputy Director of Police Services. Wayne worked with the PSB team on the realization of the Gang Suppression Plan supported by the Gangs and Guns Violence Action fund. Additionally, Wayne worked with the team on the Witness Security legislation and implementation of the highly successful Witness Security Unit within the Organized Crime Agency of British Columbia. Wayne is very proud of the work advanced by the Performance, Evaluation and Compliance Unit related to accountability, performance metrics and socioeconomic return on investment.

In early 2020, Wayne returned to the role of consultant and remained engaged in a variety of Branch initiatives related to organized crime and police modernization.

Wayne comes to the role with almost 39 years of combined PSB and RCMP policing experience.

Please join me in welcoming Wayne back to the branch and to the ministry as Acting Assistant Deputy Minister for PSB.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Sieben
Deputy Solicitor General



BCAPB Notice of Annual General Meeting

Saturday, March 6, 2021

Virtual AGM, 10:30 am

In accordance with the BC Association of Police Boards constitution and by-laws, notice is hereby given of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. The Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 6, 2021, at 10:30 am. This will be a virtual AGM.

Attached is a call for resolutions along with information regarding submissions of resolutions for your consideration. Timelines are tight on the preparation of resolutions so we encourage Boards to circulate this item to all their Board members so that it can be on their January agenda. It requires immediate action.

Thank you and if you have any questions please contact me at 604-808-3809 or Veronica Bandet, Administrative Assistant at 250-216-1205.

Sincerely,

Leah Zille
President, BCAPB

Attachments

CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS

BRITISH COLUMBIA ASSOCIATION OF POLICE BOARDS ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND MEETING

An important part of each Annual Meeting of the BCAPB is the consideration of Resolutions forwarded by member boards.

To ensure adequate time for review, the BCAPB Board of Directors has set a deadline of February 5, 2021 for all Resolutions to be forwarded to the BCAPB.

Following review by the Resolutions Committee, resolutions will be distributed to members in advance of the General Meeting.

Voting on the Resolutions will take place virtually at our AGM, scheduled for Saturday, March 6, 2021.

Please refer to the BCAPB Resolutions Guidelines for assistance in drafting proposed resolutions.

This is your chance to ensure your voice is heard!

Please forward your resolution(s) to Veronica Bandet at bcapbs@gmail.com

Resolutions

What is a Resolution?

A resolution is a formal way of stating an intended or desired action/direction/position by a group.

Guidelines for Resolution Writing

1. Choose a topic that is important, relevant and deserving of an official BCAPB position.
2. Identify your Board as the author of a resolution.
3. WHEREAS clauses are factual clauses to support your resolution; they should be concise and to the point. Resolutions that have a page or more of WHEREAS clauses only serve to make the reader less amenable to your idea if he or she has to sort through multiple WHEREAS clauses in order to determine your point. The entire resolution should be no longer than one page.
4. RESOLVED clauses state your proposed policy change or position. Internal resolutions should be directed to the BCAPB (resolved that the BCAPB); external resolutions should be directed to the appropriate level of government or Minister/Ministry. Internal and external intents may not exist within the same RESOLVED clause, rather, separate resolved clauses are necessary if you want the BCAPB to take an action separate from the government. RESOLVED clauses should be only one sentence in length and must be able to stand alone as they are the only part of the resolution that will be debated or considered.

Other helpful tips: If possible have financial implications information in your resolution. Factual information to support your resolution should be available or included as an attachment to your resolution.

Format for a Resolution

- The TITLE identifies the topic/problem or issue or its proposed solution.
- The AUTHOR names the Police Board putting forward the resolution.
- The PREAMBLE is used for factual information that is necessary to support the RESOLVED section. Each PREAMBLE clause should be written as a separate paragraph, beginning with the word Whereas. The first word should begin with a capital letter. The PREAMBLE, regardless of its length and number of paragraphs, should never contain a period. Each paragraph should close with a semi-colon. The next to the last paragraph should close with a semi-colon, after which a connecting phrase such as Therefore or Therefore Be It or Now Therefore, Be It is added.
- The RESOLVED section indicates what action is proposed. There may be more than one Resolved clauses, each stated separately. The word RESOLVED is printed in capital letters, followed by a comma and the word THAT. Each resolved clause must be a separate paragraph and may be ended with a period or a semi-colon and in the case of the next to the last clause, be followed by the word AND,.
- If factual information is available it should be included as an attachment.
- Estimated cost of implementation if available should also be included.

Resolution Strategies

Here are some hints to help you get your resolution passed:

1. Be concise. The delegates will get copies of all resolutions and this means a lot of reading. If your resolution is too wordy, it will not get the attention it deserves. Try and limit your resolution to five "whereas" clauses: choose the strongest five facts and use the others in discussion and debate. Resolutions should not be longer than one page.
2. Be realistic. The resolved statements should include specific actions that are realistic and implementable. Resource availability (both human and financial) will affect the implementability of resolutions.
3. Be positive. A positive approach always works better than a negative one. Write positive statements, and address the issue positively when you are speaking to it.
4. Be knowledgeable. Know the facts about all parts of your resolution. Be aware of other resolutions that have been passed on your issue and be sure to state in your resolution why reaffirmation of the same stand is timely.
5. Gather support and assistance. Try to involve other members in supporting your resolution. Share your facts and ask others to speak pro to your resolution. This will not only help you get your resolution passed, it will also encourage other members to get involved.
6. Use your time on the floor wisely, time is limited. As the author, you will have an opportunity to speak to the resolution first. Remember that the delegates have a copy, so don't read it to them. Instead, take this opportunity to state some of the facts that might not be included in the "whereas" clauses.
7. Be available. Make sure you are available to the Delegates to answer questions. Be on time for all meetings.

Have your documentation handy. Make sure you have at least two copies of your documentation with you – questions may be asked that need further clarification.

Daisy DYER

Subject: FW: BCAPB - Appointment of Executive Board for 2021/22

In preparation for the upcoming BCAPB AGM, it would be very much appreciated if you could consult with your board as to who will be appointed, or continue on, as your Board's authorized representative and alternate representative of the BCAPB Executive Board, and if at all possible to provide me with your representative's name and contact info by **February 19, 2021**.

APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

Part V – Directors and Officers of the BCAPB Constitution and Bylaws:

22 (2) Each Director is the appointed authorized representative of a Full Member ("Full Member" means a police board pursuant to the *Police Act*.)

Director (**authorized** representative):

Contact Information (email/phone):

Director (**alternate** representative):

Contact Information (email/phone):

The Executive Board will elect the Officers of the Executive Committee at the first Executive Board meeting following the Annual General Meeting of the Association.

Please submit the name of your Board's representative on the Executive.

Thank you for your assistance.

BCAPB President