



**GRANDE PRAIRIE
POLICE COMMISSION**

Regular Meeting

March 19, 2026, 3:00 p.m.

Centre 2000, Al Robertson Room

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 4. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 4.1 Minutes of February 19, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting
 - 4.2 Minutes of February 26, 2026 Police Transition Management Committee Meeting
- 5. PUBLIC INQUIRIES AND DELEGATIONS TO THE COMMISSION**
- 6. BUSINESS ARISING**
- 7. NEW BUSINESS**
- 8. STANDING ITEMS**
 - 8.1 Chair Report
 - 8.2 Chief Report – *Chief Lakusta*
 - 8.3 Public Complaint Update
 - a) PRC Update
 - 8.4 Executive Director Report
 - 8.5 Committee Updates
 - a) Finance Committee
 - b) Policy & Governance Committee
 - c) Personnel Committee
 - d) Stakeholder Engagement Committee
 - e) Police Transition Management Committee
- 9. ROUND TABLE**
- 10. CLOSED SESSION**
 - 10.1 Personnel – FOIP – Sec. 17(4)
 - 10.2 Law Enforcement Matters – FOIP – Sec. 20(1)
 - 10.3 Public Complaint Director – FOIP – Sec. 24(1)
 - 10.4 Professional Standards – FOIP – Sec. 17(4)
 - a) Finance Committee
 - i 2025 GPPS Q4 Variance Report
 - b) Policy & Governance Committee
 - i Section 3.1(1) Tiered Policing
- 11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**
- 12. CLOSED – Commission Discussion**
- 13. NEXT MEETING *April 16, 2026***
- 14. ADJOURNMENT**



**GRANDE PRAIRIE
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Special Meeting
February 18, 2026, 8:00 a.m.
Virtual Meeting

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1. CALL TO ORDER 10:32 a.m.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Moved by: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously

Motion to move into closed session in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act and specified sections of the Access to Information Act.

Moved by: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously

4. CLOSED SESSION

4.1 RCMP Transition Updates – Nadim Lakhani and Assistant Commissioner Wayne Nichols

Motion to return to open session.

Moved by: Commissioner Duck

Carried Unanimously

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

6. NEXT MEETING February 19, 2026

7. ADJOURNMENT 11:38 a.m.

Chair

Date

Executive Director

Date



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Attendees:

Chair Dan Wong
Vice Chair Natalia Reiman
Commissioner Everett McDonald
Commissioner Donna Koch
Commissioner Warren Travasso

Commissioner Tim Burnham
Commissioner Lois Duke
Commissioner Wade Pilat
Commissioner Dylan Bressey

Others:

Wendy Hunt, Executive Director
Chief Dwayne Lakusta, GPPS
Superintendent Greg Redl, GPPS
Superintendent John Respet, GPPS

Inspector Dave Knibbs, GPPS
Darrin Balanik, Executive Director, GPPS
Melissa Byers, Sr. Strategic Advisor, GPPS
Bobbi Chamberlain, HR, City of Grande Prairie

1. CALL TO ORDER 3:

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to amend the Agenda
Item 10(c) moved to 8.2(b)
Item 10.4(a)(i) moved to 10.1(a)
Moved by: Commissioner Koch
Carried Unanimously.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- 4.1 Minutes of January 15, 2026, Regular Commission Meeting
- 4.2 Minutes of January 20, 2026 Policy and Governance Committee Meeting
- 4.3 Minutes of January 22, 2026 Police Transition Management Committee Meeting
- 4.4 Minutes of January 27, 2026 Personnel Committee Meeting

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
Moved by: Commissioner Burnham
Carried Unanimously.

5. PUBLIC INQUIRIES AND DELEGATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

- 5.1 Native Counselling Services of Alberta – *Laurie Emin, Melody Parker & Brittany Ghostkeeper*
 - a) Indigenous Courtwork Program

6. BUSINESS ARISING

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. STANDING ITEMS

- 8.1 Chair Report
- 8.2 Chief Report – *Chief Lakusta*
 - a) *CSWB Presentation -Melissa Byers*
 - b) Discussion on potential Ad Hoc Committee for Community Safety Plan



Chair

ED

Motion to accept the Chief's Monthly Report.

Moved by: Commissioner Duke

Carried Unanimously.

8.3 Public Complaint Update

8.4 Executive Director Report

8.5 Committee Updates

a) Finance Committee – Next Meeting March 5th

b) Policy & Governance Committee – Next Meeting June 23rd

i Section 3.3 Jurisdiction and Section 3.4 Personnel

ii GPPS Policy Review Update

Motion to accept policy review for Section 3.3 and 3.4

Moved by: Commissioner Bressey

Carried unanimously.

9. ROUND TABLE

Motion to move into closed session in accordance with Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act and specified sections of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Moved by: Commissioner Travasso

Carried Unanimously.

10. CLOSED SESSION

10.1 Personnel – FOIP – Sec. 17(4)

a) 360 Review – Discussion with Bobbi Chamberlain, HR, City of Grande Prairie

b) Decorum

c) Review on monthly meeting dates – Referred back to Personnel Committee

10.2 Law Enforcement Matters – FOIP – Sec. 20(1)

10.3 Public Complaint Director – FOIP – Sec. 24(1)

10.4 Professional Standards – FOIP – Sec. 17(4)

a) Policy & Governance Committee

i Section 3.1(1) Tiered Policing – Tabled to March meeting.

Motion to return to open session.

Moved by: Commissioner Travasso

Carried Unanimously

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

11.1 360 Review for Chief of Police

Motion to direct the Policy & Governance Committee review the annual appraisal policy for commission direct reports and for an approval of up to \$2,000 for an annual review tool and process, such as 360 Psychometrics.

Moved by: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously

12. NEXT MEETING - March 19,2026

13. ADJOURNMENT Chair Wong adjourned the meeting at 6:39 PM

Chair

Date

Executive Director

Date



Chief's Monthly Update To The Grande Prairie Police Commission

Meeting: GPPC Public Meeting

Date: March 19, 2026

Ongoing Initiatives

1. Current Staffing Deployment on assignment to the RCMP

- Four Sergeants front line operations (one acting)
- 36 Constables front line operations
- Three Detectives assigned to Criminal Investigations Section (CIS)
- One Detective assigned to ALERT
- One Detective assigned to Caribou Center
- One Sergeant and one Constable assigned to Forensic Identification Section (FIS)
- Ten new Constables from RTC #3 will be deployed the last week of March

2. RMS Records Development:

- GPPS continues to hold recurring working sessions with Axon to manage the deployment, including progress reviews on configuration, integration, and data migration planning.
- Work is underway to configure core system components such as Axon Notes including structure, shift information, equipment tracking fields, and report workflows to align with GPPS operational practices.
- GPPS and Axon are preparing for the transfer of data from RCMP Niche RMS; however, access to sample data from the RCMP remains delayed due to proprietary concerns raised by the vendor.

3. RTC #3 and EOP #6 Training:

Following the formal graduation ceremony on March 13, members are completing additional training in preparation for deployment to RCMP operations. All members are currently undertaking containment training, which provides enhanced skills and experience to support responses to high-risk incidents. They will also complete gender-based violence training delivered by the Ministry of



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Public Safety and Emergency Services. In addition, members will complete RCMP PROS training prior to beginning their first operational shift.

4. Transition Meetings:

During the week of March 9, GPPS Executive held in-person meetings with RCMP National Headquarters, K Division leadership, and representatives from the Grande Prairie Detachment. We also met with Assistant Deputy Minister Zablocki and Executive Director Jonathan Coughlan to discuss ongoing transition work. These meetings were constructive and reinforced the positive progress being made as GPPS continues preparing to assume Police of Jurisdiction (POJ).

5. Executive Leadership in the RCMP Detachment:

Superintendent Respet and Inspector Knibbs continue to work from the RCMP detachment to maintain close operational connectivity with GPPS members assigned there. They hold weekly operational meetings with Superintendent MacDougald and his team to address local matters as they arise and ensure strong coordination between the two organizations.

They also meet monthly with local Crown Prosecutors to strengthen working relationships, with discussions focused on investigative practices and disclosure procedures to ensure GPPS meets, and where possible exceeds, the expectations of the Crown.

6. Policy Development Update:

- Total reviewed and approved by Chief Lakusta: 59
- Total ready for Commission review: 58 (20 currently with GPPC)
- Total ready for Chief review and approval: 5
- Total outstanding: 16 being developed



Chief's Monthly Update To The Grande Prairie Police Commission

Engagements

Ongoing engagement continues on a consistent basis with community groups, businesses, and residents throughout Grande Prairie. Engagement highlights during this reporting period include meetings with:

- The CEO of the Chamber of Commerce
- Representatives from the Alberta Court of Justice
- Senior administration of the Prairie Mall
- Leadership from the Public and Catholic School Boards
- The Grande Prairie Fire Department