



Regular Meeting
July 16, 2026, 3:15 p.m.
Centre 2000, Al Robertson Room

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- 4.1 Minutes of June 18, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting
- 4.2 Minutes of June 24, 2026 Police Transition Management Committee Meeting
- 4.3 Minutes of July 2, 2026 Policy & Governance Committee Meeting

5. PUBLIC INQUIRIES AND DELEGATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

6. BUSINESS ARISING

- 6.1 Joint Media Release
- 6.2 August Commission Meeting
- 6.3 Guideline for GPPC Attendance for Community Engagement
- 6.4 Executive Director Accommodations

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. STANDING ITEMS

- 8.1 Chair Report – *Vice Chair Natalia Reiman*
- 8.2 Chief Report – *Chief Dwayne Lakusta*
 - a) Enforcement Services Update
 - b) Mobile Outreach Services Update
- 8.3 Executive Director Report - *Executive Director Wendy Hunt*
 - a) Annual Meeting Outline
 - b) Livestream Update
 - c) Transition to GPPS Tenant Update
 - d) Public Complaints Update
- 8.4 Committee Updates
- 8.5 Committee Updates
 - a) Finance Committee – *Committee Chair Warren Travasso*
 - Next Meeting July 28th
 - b) Policy & Governance Committee – *Committee Chair Dylan Bressey*
 - Recent Meeting July 15th
 - c) Personnel Committee – *Committee Chair Donna Koch*
 - Next Meeting July 21st
 - d) Stakeholder Engagement Committee – *Committee Chair Everett McDonald*
 - Next Meeting October 9th
 - e) Police Transition Management Committee – *Committee Chair Natalia Reiman*

9. Next Meeting July 29th**CLOSED SESSION**

- 9.1 Personnel – ATIA – Sec. 20(1)
- 9.2 Law Enforcement Matters – ATIA – Sec. 23(1)
 - a) GPPC Financial Report
 - 2027 Budget
- 9.3 Public Complaint Director – FOIP – Sec. 29(1)
- 9.4 Professional Standards – FOIP – Sec. 20

10. CLOSED SESSION – Commission Only

11.BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

12.ROUND TABLE

13.NEXT MEETING *August 20, 2026*

14.ADJOURNMENT

Members of the public will have the opportunity to make a presentation or raise a question at a meeting, whether with respect to an item on the agenda or to make a general inquiry. If you wish to bring forward a question at the meeting or make a presentation, please contact the Executive Director at PoliceCommission@cityofgp.com at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. (Please note that complaints about officer conduct will not be addressed at this forum).



**GRANDE PRAIRIE
POLICE COMMISSION**

Regular Meeting

June 18, 2026, 3:10 p.m.

Centre 2000, Al Robertson Room

Attendees:

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

Commissioner Warren Travasso
Commissioner Lois Duke
Commissioner Dylan Bressey
Commissioner Wade Pilat

Others:

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

Superintendent Greg Redl, GPPS
Inspector Dave Knibbs, GPPS

1. CALL TO ORDER 2:15 p.m.

2. CLOSED SESSION – Commission Only

- 2.1 Personnel – FOIP – Sec. 17(4)
a) 360 Review

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.

Motion to return to open session.

Moved by: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously

Recess occurred from 3:05 – 3:15 p.m., with the regular meeting commencing at 3:15 p.m.

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the Agenda as amended with the adjustment of agenda order.

Moved by: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.1 Minutes of May 21, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting
5.2 Minutes of May 26, 2026 Police Transition Management Committee Meeting
5.3 Minutes of June 15, 2026 Personnel Committee Meeting
5.4 Minutes of June 16, 2026 Policy & Governance Committee Meeting

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Moved by: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously.

6. PUBLIC INQUIRIES AND DELEGATIONS TO THE COMMISSION

7. BUSINESS ARISING

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. STANDING ITEMS

- 9.1 Chair Report – Chair Dan Wong
9.2 Chief Report – Chief Dwayne Lakusta

Motion to accept the Chief's Monthly Report.

Moved by: Commissioner Koch

Carried Unanimously

- 9.3 Public Complaint Update
 - a) PRC Update
- 9.4 Executive Director Report
- 9.5 Committee Updates
 - a) Finance Committee – Next Meeting July 28th
 - b) Policy & Governance Committee – Next Meeting July 2nd
 - c) Personnel Committee – Next Meeting July 21st
 - d) Stakeholder Engagement Committee – Next Meeting October 9th
 - e) Police Transition Management Committee – Next Meeting June 24th

10. ROUND TABLE

- 10.1 AAPG Update – Vice-Chair Natalia Reiman

11. CLOSED SESSION

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 Bressey Carried Unanimously.

- 11.1 Axon Contract
- 11.2 Law Enforcement Matters – FOIP – Sec. 20(1)
- 11.3 Public Complaint Director – FOIP – Sec. 24(1)
- 11.4 Professional Standards – FOIP – Sec. 17(4)

Motion to return to open session.

Moved by: Commissioner Travasso Carried Unanimously

12. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Motion for the Grande Prairie Police Commission to support the Grande Prairie Police Service's request to Council for approval of an additional ten-year contract with Axon for Operational Technology Services and forward its recommendation to City Council for consideration..

Moved by: Commissioner Travasso Carried Unanimously.

13. NEXT MEETING – July 16, 2026

14. ADJOURNMENT Chair Wong adjourned the meeting at 6:06 PM

Chair

Date

Executive Director

Date



GRANDE PRAIRIE
POLICE COMMISSION

Police Transition Management Committee

June 24, 2026, 1:30 p.m.

Virtual

MEETING MINUTES

In attendance:

Committee Chair Natalia Reiman
Commissioner Warren Travasso
Chief Dwayne Lakusta, GPPS
Superintendent Greg Redl, GPPS
Superintendent John Respet, GPPS
Inspector Dave Knibbs, GPPS
Superintendent Adrian Marsden, RCMP

Superintendent Anthony Hanson, RCMP
Superintendent Mark McDougald, RCMP
Staff Sergeant Brent Lawson, RCMP
Janine Richardson, RCMP
Chief of Public & Protective Services – Arlen Miller
Executive Director Wendy Hunt, GPPC

Regrets:

Commission Chair Dan Wong
A/Commr. Wayne Nichols, RCMP
Senior Executive Nadim Lakhani, RCMP

Grant Smith, RCMP
Jodie Boyne, Manager Executive Support, GPPS
Jamie Freeland, Solicitor City of Grande Prairie

1. CALL TO ORDER: 1:32 P.M.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

3. AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented

Moved by: Commissioner Travasso

Motion to move to closed session

Moved by: Commissioner Travasso

4. CLOSED SESSION

4.1. Standing Items

- (a) Human Resources – Mobilisation/Demobilisation and Civilian Transition
- (b) Assets and Equipment
- (c) File Transfer/RMS System
- (d) Detainee Management
- (e) Accommodations
- (f) Public Safety Communication Centre (PSCC) Updates
- (g) Emergency Response Team
- (h) Business Continuity and Ongoing Issues

4.2. Joint Media Release

Motion to move out of closed session

Moved by: Commissioner Travasso

5. BUSINESS FROM CLOSED SESSION

6. NEXT MEETING: July 29, 2026 10:00 a.m. (virtual)

7. ADJOURNMENT: 2:00 P.M.



Policy & Governance Committee

July 2, 2026, 9:00 a.m.
Cedar Point Meeting Room #1
Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Commissioner Everett McDonald
Commissioner Donna Koch

Wendy Hunt, Executive Director, GPPC
Staff Sergeant Gord Hughes, GPPS

Regrets:

Committee Chair Dylan Bressey

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1. Call to Order 8:58 a.m. by Executive Director Hunt
 2. Land Acknowledgement
 3. Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda as presented
Moved by: Commissioner Koch Carried
 4. Business Arising
 5. Policy Review
Motion to move to closed session
Moved by: Commissioner McDonald Carried
 6. Grande Prairie Police Service
 - 6.1. Brought forward from previous meeting –
 - 6.1.1. Part 8, Chapter G – *Collision Reporting Centre (CRC)* – Reviewed
 - 6.1.2. Part 12, Chapter E – *Chain of Command (CoC)* – Awaiting Amendments
 - 6.1.3. Part 16, Chapter A – *CPO & Auxiliary Officers* – Reviewed
 - 6.2. Part 2, Chapter E – *Deferral* – Reviewed
 - 6.3. Part 6, Chapter F – *Body Worn Cameras* – Reviewed
 - 6.4. Part 9, Chapter E – *Media* – Reviewed
 - 6.5. Part 11, Chapter B – *Building Safety and Security* – Reviewed
 - 6.6. Part 12, Chapter Q – *Awards* – ReviewedMotion to move to open session
Moved by: Commissioner McDonald Carried
 7. Business Arising From Closed Session
 - 7.1. Grande Prairie Police Service Policy Approval or Feedback
Motion to acknowledge of review of GPPS policies
Moved by: Commissioner Koch Carried
 8. Next Meeting: July 15, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.
 9. Meeting adjourned 9:30 a.m.



Chief's Monthly Update

To The

Grande Prairie Police Commission

Meeting: GPPC Public Meeting

Date: July 16, 2026

Ongoing Initiatives

1. Current Staffing Deployment on assignment to the RCMP

- Currently have 58 members on assignment
- The four patrol squads are all staffed with GPPS members, including GPPS supervisors
- All constables from RTC #3 have successfully completed their Block II training and have been signed off to work alone
- Internal processes are taking place for the promotion of squad supervisors and detectives
- On June 22nd, we welcomed S/Sgt Tim Fralick to our service. With more than 25 years of policing experience, he brings extensive expertise in organized crime investigations, leadership, and major case management. Most recently, he served as Acting Officer in Charge of the Transnational Serious and Organized Crime/Clandestine Laboratory Enforcement and Response Team for the RCMP in Edmonton
- S/Sgt. Fralick is no stranger to Grande Prairie, having previously served here with ALERT from 2021 to 2025, where he led integrated teams tackling complex investigations and building strong partnerships across the region. Tim will oversee Specialized Investigations Section

2. Recruit Training Class #4:

- RTC #4 training of ten recruits is progressing well, with no concerns
- Very positive feedback from training staff

3. RMS Records/IT Development:

- Continued implementation of the Axon RMS which includes the development of dashboards, charge tables, command hierarchy, and user permissions
- User acceptance testing for the RMS is scheduled for July 21-23



Chief's Monthly Update To The Grande Prairie Police Commission

- Awaiting confirmation from Shared Services Canada on timing of the secure network connection to GPPS facilities which is required for CPIC access

4. Fleet:

- Coordinating the transfer of surplus RCMP vehicles in advance of the transition
- Working with the detachment to identify opportunities to release administrative and surplus vehicles earlier than originally planned so GPPS can begin removing legacy equipment, reprogramming radios, and preparing the vehicles for operational deployment
- Identified remaining needs for new vehicles required for operations, purchases will be made this fiscal and next

7. Policy Development Update:

- Total reviewed and approved by Chief Lakusta: 103
- Total reviewed by Chief and edits required: 9
- Total outstanding: 5 being developed

8. Critical Incident Stress Management Program:

- Work continues as we are now identifying up to ten members for our Peer Support Team

9. CSWB

- The Family Resource Network (GP Family Education Society) received funding to deliver HEROES resiliency training in local high schools. A total of 23 facilitators from Grande Prairie Public and Catholic school divisions, Kickstand, and other youth-serving organizations completed training. The program supports youth resiliency, mental wellness, and educational attainment for youth, including those pursuing high school credits outside traditional school settings.



Chief's Monthly Update To The Grande Prairie Police Commission

- Established a working relationship with the Hate Crimes and Public Disorder Branch of Public Safety and Emergency Services (PSES) to support information sharing and future collaboration.
- Built a relationship with Men&, a program of Calgary's Fear Is Not Love, to better understand domestic violence and mental health supports available to men and how members can make referrals.
- Continued collaboration with Mobile Outreach, Justice, PSES, and community organizations to explore pre-charge youth diversion opportunities and inform development of a new youth case management model.
- Established connections with Family Court Coordinators to improve referral pathways and support options for members responding to non-criminal family matters.
- Visited Calgary Indigenous Court to learn from established approaches supporting Indigenous peoples within the justice system.
- Convened key addictions and mental health partners to strengthen partnerships supporting the Virtual Opioid Dependency Program (VODP) and the Police and Crisis Team (PACT).
- Discussions initiated with Crime Stoppers, with a partnership meeting planned for September.
- Hosted the quarterly Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility (EDIA) Committee meeting.
- Over May and June, the VODP team engaged with 143 unique individuals and facilitated 26 Opioid Agonist Treatment (OAT) prescriptions.



Chief's Monthly Update

To The

Grande Prairie Police Commission

Engagements

1. Chief Lakusta, Constable Lodhi, and Constable Mason attended the Grande Prairie Powwow, and took part in the Grand Entry for both days. Chief Lakusta also attended a smoke ceremony which included several Elders and guests.
2. Chief Lakusta and several members of the service took part in the Canada Day Parade. Two marked vehicles proudly drove the route, while several uniformed members walked and engaged the large crowds. We also introduced our first Harley Davidson motorcycle for the event. Our attendance was very well received with many positive comments about our new bikes.



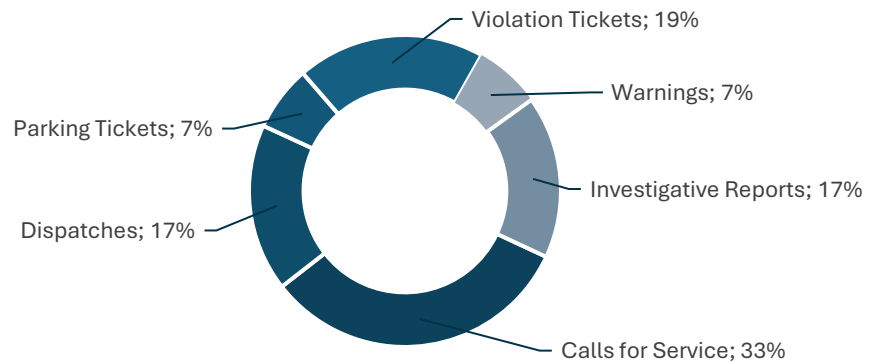
Enforcement Services – June 2026

7 Days a Week, 6:00am – 12:00am

Summary Highlights

Observed a 3% increase in calls for service and a 7% decrease in dispatches between May and June 2026.

Calls for Service – 1091
Dispatches - 583
Parking Tickets - 227
Violation Tickets – 655
Warnings - 231
Investigative Reports – 566



Special Projects

- Traffic operations targeting speed and seatbelt infractions.
- Continued planning sessions with PSCC for GPES operational readiness in September.
- Planning sessions for Axon Records focused on digital form development, licensing and permits.

Calls for Service

- Parking – 132 (↑ 31% from May)
- Traffic – 43 (↑ 8% from May)
- Bylaw – 201 (↑ 30% from May)
- Social Disorder – 111 (↓ 1% from May)

Licensing, Permitting, and Inspections

- Animal Control – 121 (↓ 27% from May)
- Animal Licenses – 438 (↓ 27% from May)
- Active Chauffeur Permits – 324 (↑ 2% from May)
- Vehicle for Hire Inspections – 12 (↓ 48% from May)

- Q2 2026 Calls for Service set a record at 3,157. The previous Q2 record of 3,112 was set in 2024. The average volume of calls for service between April and June is 2,345. Q2 2026 was 35% higher than the average.

Violations

- Violations Issued – 655 (↓ 23% from May)
(Traffic, Bylaw, Other Provincial Infractions)
- Warnings Issued – 231 (↓ 57% from May)
- Animal Control – 51 (↑ 55% from May)
- Parking – 227 (↑ 24% from May)

- Animal control violations currently experiencing usual seasonal increase.
- 2026 Q2 Violations Issued are down 9% when compared to Q2 2025.
- Officers participated in Safe City Roads program to increase presence on City roadways to encourage safe driving practices.



Enforcement Services – June 2026

7 Days a Week, 6:00am – 12:00am

Seasonal & Additional Operations

- Unsightly Premises / Minimum Property Standards – 51 (↑ 76% from May).
- Community garage sale in Countryside South – GPES assigned patrols to ensure safe parking and traffic flow.
- Rugby Game at Macklin Field. Officers assigned to patrol and keep the peace.
- Football game at Hansen Field. Officers assigned to patrol and keep the peace.
- Mixed Martial Arts event (Pack the Barn) home opener at Evergreen. Officers assigned traffic patrols at the south end of city for traffic safety.

- Seasonal increase being observed in relation to complaints received regarding minimum property standards and unsightly premises.

Community Engagement Team

- Proactive Patrols – 12 (↓ 84% from May)
- Bans issued – 3 (↓ 67% from May)
- Arrests – 4 (↓ 64% from May)
- Removals – 23 (↓ 84% from May)
- Police Attended – 4 (↓ 78% from May)

- CET activity recorded lower levels during this reporting period as resources redistributed to public safety concerns and service requests arising from increased seasonal activity.

Public Engagement

- Aging Well Together BBQ.
- Bike Patrols – Numerous patrols resulting in positive engagement with patrons of the parks and greenspaces.
- Wapiti / Saint Lawrence Centre Cleanup – Officers attend three times per week to assist with cleanup efforts.
- Peace Officer Sergeant attended Downtown Association meeting.
- Safety City presentations on bicycle and helmet safety for children and youth.
- Peace Officer McGillen participated in Stuff-a-Cruiser event for Bandaged Paws animal rescue.

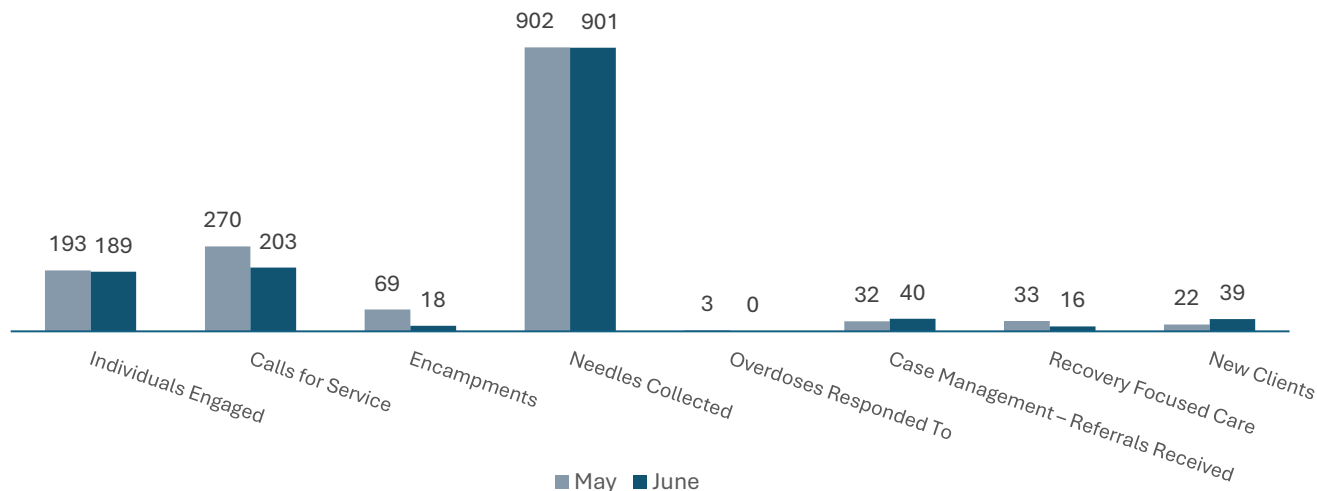
Training

- Bylaw Officer Training ongoing with new recruits.

Staffing

- Grande Prairie Enforcement Services is actively recruiting Community Peace Officers and a Peace Officer Sergeant.

Previous - Current Monthly Comparison



Special Projects

Government of Canada – Youth Justice Fund – Awarded Mobile Outreach \$705,699 over the next three years to support the City’s “Diversion First” project, which aims to develop out-of-court measures that prevent youth from entering or re-entering the justice system.

Reason for Calls for Service

- Encampments - **15**
- Wellness Checks - **44**
- Trespassing - **14**
- Loitering - **29**
- Public Intoxication - **5**
- Public Disturbance - **3**
- Needle Debris / Paraphernalia - **10**
- Transportation - **83**
(Requests originating from hospital and partnering agencies)

118 proactive responses to social disorder.

Referrals Received By

- Businesses and Agencies - **133**
 - Shelter - **9**
- Emergency and Health Services - **24**
(Includes Police, Enforcement Service, EMS, Hospital, Fire)
- Community Members - **37**

In addition, **117** client-initiated referrals were supported.

Outcomes of Calls for Service

Of the **203** calls for service, only **21** (approximately 10%) required escalation to Enforcement Services, Police, or EMS. Escalation occurs when Mobile Outreach is already responding to other calls and an immediate response is required, when a situation exceeds the scope of Mobile Outreach, when a client requires emergency medical care, or when additional authority or support is needed because a client refuses to comply after engagement and/or de-escalation efforts.

- Recovery Focused Care - **9**
(Opioid Dependency Program, addictions counsellor, Opioid Antagonist Therapy, Detox)
- Basic Needs - **16**
- Food Security - **17**
- Medical Supports - **14**
- Shelter - **36**
- Other - **207**
(Referred to case workers, community services, emergency services, provided information, follow up, needle pick up, gone on arrival)

Encampments

Coordinated efforts between Enforcement Services, Parks, and Mobile Outreach have supported effective encampment management through timely response, collaborative problem-solving, and consistent engagement with individuals experiencing homelessness.

- Total – **18**
 - Calls for Service - **15**
 - Found Proactively - **3**
 - Required Cleanup - **6**

1 encampment active
at month's end.

Needle Mitigation Services

Delivered naloxone administration and safe needle pick-up training to Summer Camp Instructors, enhancing staff knowledge and preparedness to safely respond to discarded sharps in areas used for summer camp programming.

- Needles Collected - **901**
- Naloxone Kits Distributed - **33**
- Community Training's Provided - **4**

Calls for service
increased from **10**
to **23**.

Case Management Services

Case Workers provide support to individuals facing complex barriers to housing instability, with efforts focused on improving housing readiness, reducing service duplication, and fostering coordinated approaches with community partners.

- Referrals Received - **40**
(Clients connected for case management and stabilization support)
- Identification - **15**
(Individuals assisted in obtaining ID to access services)
- Financial Supports - **42**
(Individuals assisted with financial support to enhance housing readiness)
- Recovery Focused Care - **7**
(Opioid Dependency Program, addictions counsellor, Opioid Antagonist Therapy, Detox)
- Relocations - **5**
- Housing Supports - **13**
 - Housing Assessments Completed; referrals made to the Housing HUB Table - **4**
 - Completed Grande Spirit Applications - **4**
 - Completed Housing Applications - **3**
 - Connect to Housing Loss Prevention - **2**

Caseworker Highlight: Three siblings (ages 55, 59, and 60), who had been experiencing homelessness and sleeping in their vehicles for over six months, were successfully connected to the housing support waitlist through coordinated case management.

Training

- Mobile Responder Training - **1**
- Driver Improvement Training - **5**