

Report to / Rapport au:

**OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD
LA COMMISSION DE SERVICES POLICIERS D'OTTAWA**

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**SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL CONSTABLES – ROYAL CANADIAN
MOUNTED POLICE (RCMP)**

**OBJET: NOMINATION D'AGENTS SPÉCIAUX – GENDARMERIE ROYALE DU
CANADA (GRC)**

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Ottawa Police Services Board approve the new appointment of twenty-one (21) and re-appointment of three (3) RCMP members (see Annex A), as Special Constables pursuant to Section 53 of the Police Services Act, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Approval of Appointment form.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que la Commission de services policiers d'Ottawa approuve la nouvelle nomination de vingt-et-un (21) membres de la GRC et le renouvellement du mandat de trois (3) membres de la GRC (voir l'annexe A), à titre d'agents spéciaux en vertu de l'article 53 de la Loi sur les services policiers, conformément aux conditions énoncées au formulaire d'approbation de nomination ci-joint.

BACKGROUND

In 2003, the Police Services Board reviewed a recommendation concerning an ongoing integrated policing initiative that would see members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) appointed as Special Constables. This appointment would enable the officers to enforce certain Ontario provincial statutes in the City of Ottawa. Their appointments would continue for a period of three years.

The initiative was based on the desire to continually improve the delivery of policing services to the residents of the City of Ottawa by capitalizing on the existing co-operation between the Ottawa Police Service (OPS) and the RCMP. The opportunity existed to build on the interoperability of the two services and the goodwill gained during special event policing, and to apply these concepts to day-to-day policing functions. The goal of this arrangement is to enhance policing capabilities for both the OPS and the RCMP.

In pursuing this initiative, the OPS had six key objectives:

- Additional back-up resources for OPS members responding to calls;
- Increase in community confidence;
- Enhanced current partnerships in co-operation with the RCMP;
- Reduced confusion regarding mandates and limits of authority;
- Enhanced response without usurping mandates;
- Elimination of artificial barriers.

The RCMP wanted to attain a number of important objectives with the appointments of their officers:

- Operational experience for patrol officers;
- Experience giving and gathering evidence;
- Increased opportunity for interaction with the public in a policing capacity;
- Enhanced response capability in the federal mandate;
- Streamlined communication;
- Team building.

To ensure that these officers can carry out their assigned duties, applications are made to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services to have them appointed

as Special Constables pursuant to Section 53 of the *Police Services Act*. The Police Services Board appoints the RCMP members as Special Constable upon approval by the Ministry. The appointments are valid for three years or until the appointees are no longer deployed in Ontario.

DISCUSSION

Approval has been obtained from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services for the appointment and re-appointment of these members as Special Constables. Pursuant to Section 53 of the Police Services Act, upon receipt of the Board appointment of their status, the members will be required to undertake the Oath of Office by the Chief of Police

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1 – Appointment of Special Constables – Ottawa Police Service

CONCLUSION

The OPS is fortunate to have an excellent working relationship with the RCMP. The approval of Special Constable Status for this RCMP Member will enable him to undertake the full scope of his duties while assigned to the Ottawa area.

Document 1

Appointment of Special Constables – Ottawa Police Service

1. Alain BEAULIEU
2. Eric BONNIN
3. Trina Pauline BRACKEN
4. Anna Lynn COCHRANE
5. Stephen Roy CORNEY
6. Eric DION
7. Michael Leonard ESSLINGER
8. Angelo GEORGITSOS
9. Guy GIRARD
10. John Stephen GRAZIANO
11. Philippe HAMEL
12. Denis LACROIX
13. Benoît Roger L'ECUYER
14. Eric André LENGER
15. Alexis LERHE-THOMAS
16. Keith Franklin MACLEOD
17. Raphael MALLETT
18. Stéphane OUELLET
19. Charmaine Therese PHILLIPS
20. Mélissa PURENNE
21. John Michael SPEARNS
22. Didier THIBAULT
23. Mario THIBODEAU
24. Shane Erik Joseph WILLIAMS