

**YUKON POLICE COUNCIL**  
***Meeting Minutes***  
**May 11 & 12, 2017**  
**Whitehorse, YT**

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**Section A: Yukon Police Council New Member Orientation**

Present: Melaina Sheldon (YPC); Simon Nagano (YPC); Tracy MacPherson (YPC); Lesley McCullough (Chair); Samantha McCormack (Justice); Al Lucier (ADM-Justice)

Regrets: none

**Agenda Items**

<b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Round table of introductions for those at the table</li> <li>• Reviewed and approved the agenda</li> <li>• Review of Terms of Reference</li> </ul>
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**Section B: Department of Justice Presentations- Sharing Common Ground (SCG) and Territorial Police Service Agreement (TPSA)**

Guests Present: Jeff Ford, Department of Justice

**Agenda Items**

<b>1. Introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introductions to members at the table</li> </ul>
<b>2. Presentations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PowerPoint presentations on SCG and TPSA. Both made available to the Council members before presentations.</li> </ul>

**Section C: RCMP Presentation and Introductions**

Guests Present: Chief Superintendent Sheppard, Inspector Thompson, Cpl. Ellis, and Cathy Sands

**Welcome**

Lesley McCullough, YPC Chair, welcomed everyone. A roundtable of introductions was completed.

**Agenda Items**

<b>1. Presentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insp. Thompson presented to the new members the structure of “M” Division, related to the whole territory</li> </ul>
<b>2. Questions and Answers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion on the purpose and role of Commanding Officers First Nation Advisory Council (COYFNAC)</li> <li>• Policing priorities: this is one of the ways RCMP see what the issues are for Yukoners. Valuable tool for the RCMP in their planning and work in the territory</li> <li>• Safety remains a consistent and common theme in all communities. There has been good success on this, and remains a priority for “M” Division</li> <li>• Discussion on core values and the definition of the values</li> <li>• Council asked about recruitment for indigenous people, women- “M” Division continues to work to ensure that the work is possible for members, making efforts to balance work and life/families, which are often a barrier for women.</li> <li>• Members reinstated that there is a request for a report that can be used to show the public the impact of their communication with YPC (such as an Annual Report)</li> </ul>

**Section D: General YPC Meeting**

Present: Melaina Sheldon (YPC); Simon Nagano (YPC); Tracy MacPherson (YPC); Rob Schneider (YPC); Lisa Anderson (YPC); Lesley McCullough (Chair); Samantha McCormack (Justice); Al Lucier (ADM-Justice)

Regrets: Elodie Dulac (YPC)

Guests Present: none

**Welcome**

Lesley McCullough, YPC Chair, welcomed everyone. A roundtable of introductions was completed.

**Agenda Items**

<b>1. Review of YPC by members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members provided an overview of their experiences on the Council</li> <li>• Questions and Answers about the role of the Council.</li> <li>• Overview of the work already done by the Council</li> </ul>
<b>2. Council Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Minister’s letter to RCMP “M” Division</li> <li>• Noted similarities/differences in policing priorities</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion on the process of setting priorities</li></ul>
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**Section E: Overview of Cannabis Legalization**

Guests Present: none

**Agenda Items**

<b>1. Legalization of Cannabis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Al Lucier provided an overview of the challenges and considerations for the legalization of cannabis in Canada.</li><li>• General conversations and discussion about the realities and challenges of the legalization commenced.</li></ul>
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**May 12, 2017**

**Section F: YPC General Meeting**

Present: Melaina Sheldon (YPC); Simon Nagano (YPC); Tracy MacPherson (YPC); Rob Schneider (YPC); Lisa Anderson (YPC); Lesley McCullough (Chair); Samantha McCormack (Justice); Al Lucier (ADM-Justice)

Regrets: Elodie Dulac (YPC)

**Welcome**

Lesley McCullough welcomed everyone back.

**Agenda Items**

<b>1. General Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review of the previous day</li><li>• Discussion on the information provided by RCMP</li><li>• Agenda for the day approved</li><li>• Agreed to the use of an info-graphic as a five-year summary with an Annual Report on the format of previous years.</li><li>• An update for the Community Safety Awards provided</li></ul>
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**Section G: Minister of Justice, Tracy-Anne McPhee**

Guests Present: Minister McPhee, Michele Shaw (Executive Assistant to Minister McPhee)

**Agenda Items**

<b>1. General Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minister McPhee welcomed new members and thanked YPC for the submission of the priorities</li><li>• Discussed the enduring priorities of the Liberals</li></ul>
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**Section H: YPC General Meeting**

Guests Present: none

**Agenda Items**

<b>1. General Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Communications Strategy<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Continue the focus on who the members are</li><li>○ Consider a community mail-out about who the Council is</li><li>○ Increase information electronically about accessing the Council and submitting input</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>2. Next Meetings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• October 2,3,4 - Carmacks, Pelly Crossing and Mayo</li><li>• November 23, 24, 25- Whitehorse (stakeholder and priority setting)</li></ul>