



Annual Report

April 2005 – March 2006

Our Mission Statement:

The Mission of the Stl'at'imx Tribal Police is to provide a Police Service in a manner that is sensitive to the needs, customs, culture, and rights of our communities.

The Stl'at'imx Tribal Police Board is to ensure the delivery of a Community Based Police Service that provides for the safety and security of our people and property.

We will ensure that the people of the Stl'at'imx are treated with respect and are able to function in today's society without fear of unlawful imprisonment, harassment and/or ridicule.

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TO: Police Services Division and Aboriginal Policing Directorate
FROM: The Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police
DATE: June 30, 2006
RE: **Annual Report – Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police**

As requested, and as required by our contract, we are pleased to provide you with our first Annual Report, for the period April 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006.

We appreciate your ongoing support.

If you require any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Chief Ray Bernoties
Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police Service

Jurisdiction:

We have jurisdiction over ten of the eleven Communities within the St'at'imc Territory.

Lillooet Members patrol: Xaxl'ip (Fountain), Sekw'el'was (Cayoose), Chalath (Seton Lake), T'it'q'et (Lillooet), and Ts'kw'aylaxw (Pavilion).

Mount Currie Members patrol: N'Quatqua (Anderson Lake), Xa'xtsa7 (Douglas), Lil'wat (Mount Currie), Samahquam and Skatin.

We also work closely with the neighbouring RCMP Detachments.

Personnel:

Lillooet Staff

Ray Bernoties	Chief of Police- RCMP Secondment
Deborah Doss-Cody	Constable
Dwayne Honeyman	Constable
Cheryl Simpkin	Constable
Kathy Doss	Senior Ops Assistant
Vernetta Pelegrin	Financial Clerk
Deanna Adolph	Office Clerk (Term - Work Experience)
Holly Dan	Office Clerk (Term - Work Experience)
Alice Riley	Custodian (Contracted)

Chief Bernoties was seconded in November 2005, was given the mandate to stabilize the Tribal Police, and will be here until at least September 1, 2006. We are in the process of seconding a Staff Sergeant from the RCMP, for a three-year term, to be the new Chief.

Deanna and Holly are work experience employees, are paid by Xaxl'ip, and are term employees.

Mount Currie Staff

Mike Leo	Sergeant
Nina Phillipson	Constable – RCMP Secondment
Beverly Pitawanakwat	Constable – RCMP Secondment
Chris Raabis	Constable – RCMP Secondment
Tammy Wallace	Data Entry Dispatch Clerk
Minnie Joseph	Data Entry Dispatch Clerk
Gwen McKeown	Custodian (Contracted)

Three RCMP Constables were seconded for our Mount Currie office in early 2006, as we were five members short. All three will assist until at least the fall of 2006. RCMP Sgt. Cal Demerais, and one other RCMP Constable, were also seconded in late 2005 to help maintain our force.

Two recruits are in training at the Justice Institute: Cst. Tyrone Wilton completed Block One on June 2nd, and Cst. Jamie Bartlett will complete Block One on July 28th. Both will work out of Mount Currie. We are actively recruiting for the three remaining Constable positions (two for Mount Currie, one for Lillooet), and they should attend the Justice Institute in September 2006.

Board Members

Pauline Michell	Chairperson – Xaxl'ip (Fountain)
Rebecca Barley	Vice-Chairperson - N'Quatqua (Anderson Lake)
Trudy Redan	Sekw'el'was (Cayoose)
Barbara L. Peters	Xa'xtsa7 (Douglas)
Carolyn Ward	Lil'wat (Mount Currie)

Sylvia Shanoss
 Theresa Oleman
 Sylvester Sam
 Paul Scotchman
 Margaret Aleck
 Wendy Parker

Samahquam
 Chalath (Seton Lake)
 Skatin
 T'it'q'et (Lillooet)
 Ts'kw'aylaxw (Pavilion)
 Board Coordinator

The Board includes one member from each Community. They are elected by band members or appointed by their Chief and Council. The Board meets on the third Wednesday of each month. Discussions include, but are not limited to, various reports, finance, personnel issues, and community concerns. The Board is responsible to oversee members and staff, in administration and operations.

Statistical Data:

April 2005 to March 2006

<u>CALL TYPE</u>	<u># of FILES – LILLOOET</u>	<u># of FILES – MT.CURRIE</u>
Homicide (AA01)	0	0
Robbery (AA35)	0	0
Sex Assault (AA43)	6	23
Common Assault (AA44)	37	99
Cause Bodily Harm (AA45)	7	7
Break-Ins (AB01/02)	10	20
Theft of Motor Vehicle (AB12/13)	9	4
Theft (AB26/37)	15	13
Fraud (AB53/55)	1	0
Firearms (AC07)	0	1
Weapons (AC10)	2	3
Breach of Peace (AC29/34)	46	117
Judicial Violation (AC43/46)	12	13
Other Criminal Code (AC61)	6	4
Drugs (AD41/44)	5	120
Chile Welfare (AG01)	5	13
Mental Health Act (AG08)	15	26
Liquor (AG06)	37	171
MVA's (AT01/02/03)	11	26
Traffic (AT35)	20	47
Coroners Act (AG02)	0	6
Impaired (AT71)	12	52
TOTAL of Above Stats	256	765
Total # of FILES (Calls for Service) – April 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006	626	1199

The above is an overview and does not reflect the actual number of criminal charges laid for each file.

Community Priorities - Promoting Safe Communities

St'at'imc Chiefs and Board Members listed priorities within their communities for the coming year. The areas of concern are:

- 1) Alcohol and alcohol related issues
- 2) Youth

These concerns helped us to develop strategic priorities such as presenting D.A.R.E. (Drug Awareness Resistance Education) to Kindergarten to Grade four students (along with the regular Grades five and six students), discussing the consequences of drinking and driving to Grade eight to twelve students, and conducting workshops i.e. Meth Awareness, for the surrounding communities.

Community Policing:

This philosophy and strategy promotes an equal partnership between us and the Communities, working together to solve crime and related social problems, to create a safe and secure environment. All personnel are committed to community policing, including delivering a culturally sensitive service that responds to the needs of each community. Sensitivity is developed through education, training and involvement in community life. We continue to seek new proactive initiatives aimed at problem solving before incidents occur or escalate.

Communications/ Media Relations:

The Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police inform the public they are willing to listen to their concerns and inform members about what is occurring within their communities through many sources.

A monthly newsletter was created in January 2006 and has since been named the 'Moccasin Trailblazer.' This informs the public of upcoming events, meetings, concerns such as reports of attempted sexual assaults, introduce staff, tips to stay safe and recruiting information.

Recruiting details and announcements for events or workshops are sent to the 'St'at'imc Runner' for their monthly newsletter which is distributed to the St'at'imc Nation. The STP jurisdiction covers ten of the eleven communities this newspaper is distributed to.

Articles are also submitted to the Bridge River Lillooet News, the Pemberton/ Whistler newspapers, and the Ucwalmicw Newsletter to share stories such as the hiring of the new Acting Chief, charities involving staff, and situations involving the Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police and RCMP working together to maintain the right.

Crime Prevention:

Patrols are made through all communities, and Patrol Reports are completed monthly for each community.

Renegotiation of a More Appropriate Funding Level

A Five Year Plan was presented to the Police Services Division and Aboriginal Policing Directorate in March 2006. This plan stated the need for an increase in unit costs, an increase in manpower, and a one time funding to renovate and upgrade both offices, update equipment and vehicles.

Enhancing Efficiencies, Resources and Facilities

Both the Mount Currie and the Lillooet offices will be renovated, thanks to generous funding from the Provincial and Federal Governments.

Staff Support and Development: - including the Board

In previous years training was limited to the civilian staff and police officers for both Mount Currie and Lillooet offices. The importance of staff being trained in new fields and to receive updates on past courses is a necessity; this ensures civilian staff and police officers carry out their duties professionally and provide accurate information to the public.

In November 2005 an employee from the Mount Currie and Lillooet Office attended a PIRS Course in Kamloops to update their skills and knowledge of a system used daily by all staff members.

In April 2006 a Constable attended the P.R.T.C (Pacific Regional Training Centre) for a Supervisors Course and in May 2006 a Constable attended an Investigator's Course. These courses were requested by the members and are applied daily as well as used for career advancements.

Personnel forward course information to their supervisor when requesting to attend and include the adjustment to their work schedule if required.

Complaints Against the Department

We conduct ourselves in a professional manner at all times when dealing with the public, investigating files and attending public events. There have been no formal complaints against the Tribal Police in the previous year. All inquiries are directed and dealt with by the Chief to the satisfaction of all parties involved. The Chief has liaised with the Public Complaints Commission to build a rapport with that agency and to ensure that we are doing what's required with respect to complaints. We pride ourselves in representing our organization in the highest standard while on and off duty.

Outside Agencies:

We are continually in contact with outside agencies to conduct our investigations thoroughly and in the best interest of the public. The following agencies are contacted when required and also contact the STP Office when needed:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- RCMP (Lillooet, Pemberton/ Whistler)- Ministry of Children and Families (Lillooet/ Pemberton)- Restorative Justice (St'atl'imc, Mount Currie, Lillooet)- Probation (North Vancouver, Williams Lake, Lillooet)- Crown Council (Kamloops, North Vancouver)- Court Registry (Kamloops, North Vancouver)- Lillooet Friendship Centre- Lillooet Learns- Lillooet Secondary School- RCMP Drug Awareness (Kamloops)- Chillaxin' Youth Centre- Local Health Authorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Band Chief and Council- Band Social Workers- Band Counselors- Elders Committee- Victim Services- Native Court Workers- School System- Churches- Non profit organizations- Lillooet Volunteer Fire Department- BC Ambulance- Search and Rescue- Fountain Volunteer Fire Department- Department of Fisheries- SPCA- Conservation Officers- JIBC (Justice Institute of BC)- Drug and Alcohol Counselor
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Looking Ahead:

Chief Bernoties will achieve his mandate and stabilize the St'atl'imx Tribal Police. We will be up to full strength, and will continue to actively recruit. Support and development of all staff members, including the Board, will remain of the utmost importance. We will continue to serve and protect all ten Communities in a professional and considerate manner.