

A review of the beating of Canadian Politician, Chief Allan Adam

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RCMP dash-cam footage shows Chief Allan Adam punched

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This incident had taken place at dark, early morning, in March 2020 in the parking lot of the Boomtown casino in Ft. McMurray, Alberta, Canada. The Canadian indigenous politician, Chief Allan Adam came out from his pickup truck and walked toward the police vehicle. In the video you can hear him telling the officer, who is in his police vehicle, and referring to the officer's sergeant and continued by saying, "You tell him Chief Adam f---ing tells you I'm tired of being harassed by the RCMP."

"Sir, just return to your vehicle and I will come talk to you in a minute," the officer said.

"Okay." Seconds later, Adam continued, "Don't stop behind us like you're f---ing watching us." There were other vehicles in the parking lot, although not packed at this time but dark. Only a small section of the parking lot was showed on the video, so the parking lot in other spots could have been packed. Adam returned to his vehicle and opened the back door. About a minute later, he returns to the officer, confronting the officer.

"Sir, return to your vehicle." The officer continued with his duties, still in his vehicle. Adam standing in the middle of the parking lot. About 2:55 seconds passed in the video when the officer came out from his vehicle and Adam walked back to his pickup truck, followed by the officer, who is 'white' and looks much bigger than Adam. They were exchanging words. The officer was talking to Adam's wife who was in the driver's seat as Adam is stood on the passenger side on the other side of the vehicle. About 15 seconds later, Adam entered the back seat and closed the door as the officer spoke to his wife. About 30 seconds later, Adam exited the vehicle in anger, going to the side where the officer is, pulling off his jacket and cursing. His wife came out. Adam stood in a fighting stance for a few seconds and walked back to the other side, and entered the truck as the officer and his wife followed him. At time 4:51 the officer is pointing towards the vehicle standing next to Adam's wife as if he was telling the woman to face the vehicle. Both doors were now closed on the passenger's side. Suddenly it looked like the officer pulled out something from his right side as if he was going to handcuff her, but that was not clear. She turned to him and it looked like he then grabbed her arm from the back as if to get her to face the vehicle to put on the handcuff, but she resisted and yelled "Ouch!" (The officer may have been in the right if he was going to handcuff her, but that's not clear from the video, and this is why he may have handled her that way. We later learned that she was arrested and thus it makes sense that this officer was about to handcuff her right at that time before the beating on Adam by another officer). Adam became infuriated and he gets out of the vehicle and his wife broke free from the officer. Adam yelled, "Leave my wife alone!" The other female came out from

the vehicle. Adam is now a few feet away from the police but the arguing went on for about 30 seconds when his wife entered the driver's seat and pulled in the door. About 5 or 6 people were observing the incident. Adam went to the back passenger's seat and closed the door. It looked like the police officer was confronting Adam's wife who was back in the driver's seat about something, and about five seconds later, you can hear a siren from the distance. The siren grew loud.

It was now around time 6:50 in the video as politician Adam exited the truck when he heard the siren and he began walking to the back of the truck. The officer began walking to the back towards Adam. And exactly at 7min in the video, the second officer slammed into Adam. The niece must have already seen the second officer running towards Adam and she exited the vehicle. As bystanders rushed towards the vehicle, Adam's wife came out from the driver's side door. The second officer who looks like he was at least 220 pounds, charged into Adam placing both of his arms around Adam's neck slamming into Adam, while the first officer was still holding onto Adam's left arm. Adam slammed onto the ground with the second officer sitting on him. Even on the ground the first officer was still holding onto Adam's left arm as the second officer was sitting on Adam's chest. The second officer was now on his knees bending over Adam as the first officer held down Adam's leg. Suddenly the second officer's iron fist slams into the politician's face, as Adam's family members screamed.

You can see a man recording the scene and the beating. More people came with their cameras, about 4 or 5 people recording. At time 8:24 in the video, the first officer reached to his right side and pulled out a handcuff and handcuffed Adam. You can hear Adam saying what sounded like, "You son of a bitch - you white bastards you!" Adam's face was bloodied as the two officers were taking him to their vehicle. In the police vehicle you can hear Adam's voice yelling what sounded like, "You white bastard..." Another siren is heard approaching...as Adam shouted, "you son of a bitch!" You can hear him breathing laboriously. About 4 officers went to Adam's vehicle. The officer opened the vehicle door, the wife exited and the first officer handcuffed her. There's no information as to why she was arrested, but this most likely what the first officer had earlier pointed to the vehicle and was most likely going to handcuff her at that time. I can only guess that she may have been intoxicated and was sitting in the driver's seat, but we did not see the officer giving her a Breathalyzer test.

In another news clip, Adam said all they (RCMP) had to do was to simply remind them to take a taxi. Based on this statement, alcohol may have been involved since his wife was arrested. It's still not clear as to why the RCMP handcuffed Adam's wife; it may have been for something completely different from my assumptions made about alcohol being involved. However, the question is, how did the RCMP know that Adam and his family were at the Boomtown casino and that his license plate registration was expired? I do not believe that police officers go around checking all parking lots in the dark to see if the license plate had expired.

One of the news videos says, "Chief Adam is now facing charges of resisting arrest and assaulting a police officer." The host of the video says, "The RCMP had already reviewed the tape calling the officer's reaction reasonable. Based on the video, it's clear that Adam did not assault any of the police officers, but was upset because he had stated

that the RCMP officers are harassing him and in the video he accused them of watching him.

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F. Ally has been working on a full and complete article over the past few months, awaiting updated information on the constable involved in the beating and any other information on Allan Adam. This article will be published soon.

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