



Brockton Police Services Board Minutes

Tuesday, June 14, 2022, 4:15 pm
Electronic Meeting

Members Present **Brian Read, Chair**
 Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk and Board Secretary
 Carl Kuhnke, Provincial Appointee
 Steve Adams, Councillor
 Tim Elphick, Councillor
 Krista Miller, South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment Commander
 Ryan Olmstead, South Bruce O.P.P. Sgt.

Members Absent **Heather Frook, Provincial Appointee**

1. Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:17 p.m. The Board amended the agenda to discuss the PSB Survey.

The Board Secretary responded to an inquiry on the Black Cat radar, noting that a list was provided to the O.P.P. and the Operations Department are preparing the radar for installation.

Resolution:

Moved By Steve Adams

Seconded By Carl Kuhnke

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby approve the Agenda for the June 14, 2022 meeting as presented.

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1 Brockton Police Services Board Minutes - May 19, 2022

Resolution:

Moved By Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Steve Adams

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby approve the minutes from the May 19, 2022 meeting as presented.

Carried

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

The Board discussed the False Alarm Report, and the letter provided to offenders.

The Board discussed loud vehicles and engine brake usage, and suggested that signage could mitigate the issue in Walkerton.

The Board inquired on the restrictions of noise and tire safety. Sgt. Ryan Olmstead described the offences under the Highway Traffic Act, and informed the Board of a focus patrol conducted last summer in Brockton educating youth on modified vehicle charges. The Board discussed whether a By-law should be enacted to restrict the use of engine brakes, or whether signage could be installed instead.

Resolution:

Moved By Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Steve Adams

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby recommend in light of the increasing amount of noise and heavy truck activity that the Council of the Municipality of Brockton place signs at all four (4) entrances into Walkerton, asking commercial truck drivers not to use engine brakes if at all possible.

Carried

5. Accounts

5.1 Accounts 05/05/22 to 05/20/22 - \$62.16

5.2 Accounts 05/20/22 to 06/02/22 - \$203,644.36

Resolution:

Moved By Steve Adams

Seconded By Carl Kuhnke

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby approve the accounts from 05/05/22 to 05/20/22 in the amount of \$62.16 and the accounts from 05/20/22 to 06/02/22 in the amount of \$203,644.36.

Carried

6. Items Carried Forward

6.1 False Alarm Report - May 2022

Sgt. Olmstead noted the repeat offenders - nine (9) in 2021 and four (4) in 2022. The Board Secretary advised on the current process in place to record the number of false alarms based from April when the By-Law was enacted.

The Board discussed the process for filing appeals.

6.2 Court Security

Krista Miller, Detachment Commander noted that the Court Security Committee were planning to meet in June, but have deferred until September once the MAG representative is appointed.

6.3 Anti Impaired Driving Campaign

The Board discussed the wording of the letter, encouraging business participation rather than gathering their interest. The Board suggested targeting businesses serving alcohol, food, and the LCBO.

The Board agreed to distribute a letter to businesses with a deadline to RSVP and then will proceed with quotes for graphic design, printing, and distribution.

Resolution:

Moved By Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Steve Adams

That the Brockton Police Services Board distribute the amended letter to restaurants, and locations serving alcohol in Brockton.

Carried

7. Information/Correspondence

7.1 May 2022 Financial Report

8. New Business

The Board discussed the PSB Survey due June 30th. The Board agreed to host a separate meeting to discuss the survey on June 27, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

The Board Secretary reported that the Black Cat radar is ready for installation, and the solar speed signs will be installed in Cargill and Chepstow.

The Board discussed the speed humps, and additional traffic calming measures being implemented in other towns, such as signs in the middle of the road.

9. O.P.P. Detachment Commander's Report - May 2022

Detachment Commander, Krista Miller reviewed the report.

The Board inquired on the sexual assault charges. Detachment Commander Miller advised that there is no specific trend in this category, but encouraged the increased reporting and victims seeking resources.

Calls for Service of Note

Traffic

South Bruce OPP started and ended the month of May with arresting individuals for Impaired Driving offences – arrests were made on May 1st and 2nd as well as May 30th.

The middle of the month presented a Stunt Driving charge – an 18 year old male driver was charged with driving twice the posted speed limit, travelling at 161 km/hour in a posted 80 km/hour zone on Highway 9.

South Bruce OPP has partnered with Perth County OPP and Huron County OPP to establish a long weekend Traffic team. Each Detachment has committed two members who will work together over the summer long weekends to target our identified high traffic volume corridors.

The first weekend the team worked together was the May Long weekend. This resulted in increased visibility as well as enforcement resulting in increased public safety on our roadways for all three Detachment areas. Over 500 charges in total were laid over the long weekend with over 100 of those being in the South Bruce area.

The Board inquired on the average charges. The South Bruce O.P.P. suggested that charges can vary, but officers are dedicated to traffic enforcement in addition to their regular duties, and this instance involved a dedicated team.

Trespassing

South Bruce OPP officers while out along the trail became aware of some individuals camping in the area. Officers worked with By Law as they served Trespass Notices on the individuals for camping on Municipal land.

The Board inquired if there were concerns with other Criminal Code violations. Detachment Commander Miller noted that the violations are fairly standard.

Detachment Updates

We would like to congratulate Tim EVANS and John HARDY who were the successful candidates in our recent Sgt competition. Sgt EVANS is already a member of South Bruce OPP and started his new assignment immediately. Sgt HARDY is joining us from Huron County OPP and will transfer in June. Both officers bring with them a wealth of experience and we look forward to their leadership to our platoons in the years to come.

The Board congratulated the candidates.

The Board inquired if additional foot patrol hours could be conducted, especially in downtown Walkerton on Fridays to increase visibility. The South Bruce O.P.P. have contacted officers on community engagement and proactive patrols, noting the benefit to the community.

10. Other Business

11. Next Meeting

The Board agreed to hold a Special Meeting on June 27, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the survey due on June 30th.

12. Adjournment

Resolution:

Moved By Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Steve Adams

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby adjourn at 5:29 p.m. to meet again on September 15, 2022 at 4:15 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Carried