



Brockton Police Services Board Minutes

Thursday, April 20, 2023, 4:15 pm
South Bruce OPP Detachment - Walkerton Office
25 Bruce Road 19, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0

Members Present **Brian Read, Chair**
 Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk and Board Secretary
 Tim Elphick, Councillor
 B. Carl Kuhnke, Councillor
 Krista Miller, South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment Commander
 Keegan Wilcox, South Bruce O.P.P. S/Sgt.

1. Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 4:18 p.m.

Resolution:

Moved By B. Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Tim Elphick

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby accepts the agenda for the meeting on April 20, 2023 as presented.

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1 Brockton Police Services Board Minutes - March 2, 2023

The Inspector mentioned corrections to Items 3.1, 7.5 and 10.1 in the minutes to clarify the arrangement for paid duty officers, the Court Security Committee representation, and the former submission of interest to have an accident reporting centre in Walkerton.

Resolution:

Moved By Tim Elphick

Seconded By B. Carl Kuhnke

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby adopt the minutes from the meeting on March 2, 2023 as amended.

Carried

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

The Board discussed the response provided by officers at the Dirtpigs Tournament. Councillor Elphick advised that he would contact the Dirtpigs to obtain an update on scheduling an operational meeting prior to the event.

5. Accounts

Resolution

Moved By Tim Elphick

Seconded By B. Carl Kuhnke

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby approves payment of the following accounts:

- Accounts 02/10/23 to 03/02/23 - \$115,814.30
- Accounts 03/03/23 to 03/23/23 - \$425.94
- Accounts 03/23/23 to 03/31/23 - \$220,306.55

6. Items Carried Forward

6.1 False Alarm Report - February 2023

6.2 False Alarm Report - March 2023

The Board discussed whether the fine amounts are still appropriate as calls for service are continuing. The Board suggested obtaining a year-end report from the Municipality's By-Law Enforcement Department prior to recommending revising fine amounts.

6.3 Court Security

The Court Security Committee met at the courthouse to review the recommended locations for camera installation.

6.4 Anti-Impaired Driving Campaign

No update has been provided yet from the Town of Hanover.

7. Information/Correspondence

7.1 March 2023 Financial Report

7.2 Barrie News Article - Orillia woman in 'shock' after internet sale turns into robbery

The Board discussed the previous suggestion of having a safe trade location at the Walkerton O.P.P. Detachment, and whether that could be revisited. The O.P.P. described the process involved in establishing a safe trade parking space, including signage installation. The O.P.P. will inquire with the building owner and provide an update at the next meeting.

7.3 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce January-March 2023 Brockton Tips

7.4 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc. - Coordinator Report January-March 2023

8. New Business

9. O.P.P. Detachment Commander's Report - February-March 2023

Sgt. Keegan Wilcox presented the Detachment Commander's report:

Calls for Service of Note

Property Crimes

Theft - Several of the theft calls for service were related to shop lifting from stores where video surveillance is being reviewed.

Mischief - Some of the mischief calls for service involved damage to motor vehicles.

Break and Enter - Each of the break and enters were related to small value items being stolen.

Traffic

Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision - On February 4th, 2023, the South Bruce OPP responded to and investigated a fatal motor vehicle collision involving a motorized snow vehicle in Brockton.

3 Day - Warn Range Suspension - While investigating the fatal motor vehicle collision involving a motorized snow vehicle, officers interacted with another snowmobiler who had consumed alcohol and was operating their snow vehicle. An Approved Screening Device was administered, and the driver registered a warn range on the device and his drivers license was subsequently suspended for 3 days.

RIDE - Significant efforts have been made to ensure visibility with proactive RIDE programs throughout this reporting period. 22 RIDE checks were completed in Brockton over these 2 months.

ICC/ALPR - In January, In Car Camera's (ICC) and Automated License Plate Recognition has been installed in frontline OPP police vehicles. In addition to the benefits that will come with having an objective video recording of an interaction between an officer and member of the public, the integrated ALPR functionality will dramatically enhance the ability of an officer to detect licence plates that are linked with criminal or traffic offences. Examples would include plates associated with wanted or missing people, stolen vehicles, stolen or unattached licence plates, suspended and prohibited drivers and with other emergent situations like Amber Alerts.

Fill a Cruiser - On April 1st, 2023 members of the South Bruce OPP Auxiliary Unit conducted a 'Fill a Cruiser' event at the grocery stores in Walkerton. As a result, a large donation of food was donated to the local food bank.

Foot Patrol - 93 hours of Foot Patrol was dedicated over the two month period.

Focused Patrol - Cargill - A Focused Patrol was conducted in Cargill for just over a month during this reporting period. During that month, 11 hours were dedicated to this Focused Patrol, 1 charge was laid in relation to an unlicensed driver and 1 warning was issued for speeding.

Saugeen River Bridge in Walkerton - Detachment members met with key stakeholders to discuss the anticipated bridge closure over the Saugeen River in downtown Walkerton. Feedback was provided given the impact on the community and emergency services with this bridge closure.

Crime Stoppers - 2 Crime Stoppers tips were received over the two-month period.

Training - Officers participated in STAR (Grey Bruce Situation Table for Acute Risk) training at the Walkerton Clean Water Center on March 31st, 2023. This training was very well attended by key community stakeholders and will assist detachment members in coordinating services for those at acute risk.

Detachment Updates

Provincial Constable Chris Allred has transitioned into his new Detective Constable role within the Community Street Crime Unit at the detachment. DC Allred has a wealth of experience, and we look forward to his investigative expertise in his new position.

Provincial Constable Mike Wilken has accepted a Temporary Assignment as an Acting Sergeant in the Municipal liaison Sergeant position in Kincardine. A/Sgt. Wilken has a great deal of experience, and we look forward to his leadership in his new role.

Sergeant Kendall Ward has announced his upcoming retirement date of April 25th, 2023. Sgt. Ward has significant ties to the South Bruce area and has dedicated most of his career in policing to the South Bruce area. We wish

Kendall well in his retirement and his leadership in the detachment will be greatly missed.

The Board discussed the camera equipment installed in O.P.P. cruisers, and the difference with ICC cameras.

The Board recognized the efforts of former O.P.P. Administrative Assistant, Faith Graham who recently passed away.

10. Other Business

The Board Chair advised that a meeting was being held with the O.P.P. Superintendent, South Bruce O.P.P. Police Services Boards, and Mayors.

Inspector Miller reported that a meeting was held on March 9, 2023 with the Ministry of the Solicitor General, and Municipal representatives to discuss public safety grant funding, and upcoming grant opportunities that would be announced soon.

Councillor Elphick informed the Board that Council passed a resolution to install a crosswalk at Robinson Street and South Street to connect the sidewalk to the northside of Robinson Street which will be further considered at a future Council Meeting.

The Board discussed preferred locations of where to install the Black Cat Radar and solar speed signs.

The Board discussed the DGR site proposed to be installed in the Municipality of South Bruce, and the impact that may have on policing in the community.

Inspector Miller noted that a Provincial Liaison team has engaged with NWMO, the Municipality of South Bruce, and residents over the past three (3) years who provide updates to the Detachment and engage in events.

The Board noted increased loud vehicles in the community and ongoing traffic enforcement concerns at school areas. The Inspector noted that educational packages are distributed to officers who are aware of concerns and complete proactive stops, as well as patrolling high schools and bringing forward messaging to students.

11. Next Meeting

The next Brockton Police Services Board meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2023 at 4:15 p.m.

12. Adjournment

Resolution:

Moved By B. Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Tim Elphick

That the Brockton Police Services Board meeting hereby adjourns at 5:54 p.m.

Carried