



Brockton Police Services Board Minutes

Thursday, May 18, 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 4:17 p.m.

Resolution:

Moved By Tim Elphick

Seconded By B. Carl Kuhnke

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby accepts the agenda for the meeting on May 18, 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 - April 20, 2023

Resolution:

Moved By B. Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Tim Elphick

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby adopt the minutes from the meeting on April 20, 2023 as presented.

Carried

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

The Board discussed the safe trading parking spot at the South Bruce OPP Detachment Office in Walkerton. The building owner has not yet approved the proposal, and the O.P.P. are awaiting final cost estimates.

5. Accounts

5.1 Accounts 04/01/23 to 04/20/23 - \$225,947.79

Resolution:

Moved By Tim Elphick

Seconded By B. Carl Kuhnke

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

- Accounts 04/01/23 to 04/20/23 - \$225,947.79

Carried

6. Items Carried Forward

6.1 April 2023 False Alarm Report

It was noted that the false alarm identified at the Brant Landfill was later classified as a break and enter.

A report on the total number of false alarms is being brought forward to Brockton Council on May 23, 2023 and will then be sent to the Board.

6.2 Court Security

6.3 Anti-Impaired Driving Campaign

The Board agreed to defer this item until an update is available.

6.4 Black Cat Radar

The Black Cat Radar was placed on Ridout Street, Walkerton for one week. The Board discussed the data received, which revealed that 85% of drivers were travelling 47 km/hr. The Board further discussed the speeding concerns voiced by residents at the May 9, 2023 Council Meeting, and the future Council report that would be brought forward.

The solar speed signs have not yet been installed.

7. Information/Correspondence

7.1 Report to Council: Ridout Street Traffic Calming

7.2 April 2023 Financial Report

7.3 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc. - Spring 2023 Tipster's Magazine

7.4 Committee/Volunteer Recognition Event Invitation

Councillors Kuhnke and Elphick will attend the event.

8. New Business

8.1 OASPB Conference and Annual General Meeting

The Board discussed the conference agenda and preference to wait until additional information is provided on the Community Safety and Policing Act to determine the structure of the Detachment Boards.

8.2 Invitation to Inspector Miller's Retirement Gathering

Councillor Kuhnke will attend the retirement gathering. The Board wished the Detachment Commander well in her future endeavors and thanked her for her dedication and commitment to the South Bruce community.

9. O.P.P. Detachment Commander's Report - April 2023

S/Sgt. Keegan Wilcox presented the Detachment Commander report:

Calls for Service of Note

Violent Crime:

Assaults - In comparing April of 2022 and April of 2023, there were 3 additional assaults reported for a total of 5. 3 of the 5 were assaults involving local youth. The other 2 were domestic in nature.

Sexual Assaults - There were 2 sexual assaults investigated during April of 2023. One of these sexual assaults was domestic in nature.

Property Crime:

Break and Enter- 3 break and enters were reported during the month of April. 1 of the break and enters was reported at a Municipal Landfill site. Thee-waste container was entered and nothing was reported to be stolen. The other 2 break and enters were unoccupied residences.

Thefts - There was a significant reduction in thefts over this reporting period. 1 of the 2 thefts was resolved by charges and was minor in nature. The other theft was a stolen child's pedal car.

Traffic:

Impaired Driving- Officers apprehended 1 impaired driving in April of 2023. This impaired driver was found to have 3 times the legal limit of alcohol in his body and posed a significant public safety risk with his driving behaviour.

Traffic Enforcement/ Education - Over the month of April, officers issued 56 Provincial Offence Notices for a variety of Provincial Offences. Further to this, they issued 86 formal warnings for a variety of Provincial Offences.

Spring Seatbelt Campaign - From April 7 -10 officers were highly visible conducting the Spring Seatbelt Campaign. Officers charged 4 individuals for not properly wearing their seatbelt restraints.

Other:

Crime Stoppers -1 tip specific to Brockton was received from Crime Stoppers

Foot Patrol - 49.75 hours of Foot Patrol were dedicated over the 1 month period.

Training - During April a member attended training related to Investigating Offences Against Children. Further to this, a member attended a 2 week marine course to receive further certification as a Launch Operator.

MCRT - MCRT supported detachment members and responded to 23 mental health related calls for service. Of these 23 calls for service, 22 of them were diverted away from an apprehension and the hospital. MCRT continues to be a vital component to our detachment and the program continues to demonstrate positive impacts on the community.

Media - PC Kevin Martin was busy during the month of April and released 2 public safety communications. These communications were to alert local drivers to be aware of some of the road safety concerns attached to seasonal change. He provided messaging to remind the public to share the roads with farm equipment and to be aware of the increase of deer related collisions.

Detachment Updates:

On April 1st officers conducted a food drive at local grocery stores in Brockton. It was extremely well received and officers made a substantial donation to the local food bank. This food drive has been previously reported.

In April, Retired Auxiliary Staff Sergeant Dennis Dick was recognized for over 20 years of volunteerism as an O.P.P. Auxiliary member. Over the 20 years he has made significant contributions to our communities and organization in his role.

S/Sgt. Wilcox advised the Board on a partnership with Pizza Delight in Walkerton for a positive ticketing campaign, noting that officers are offering coupons for garlic strips coupons to children who are behaving properly, and maintaining community safety, such as wearing bicycle helmets.

10. Other Business

The O.P.P. noted that grant opportunities currently available for CCTV, and mobile crisis response team. The Board discussed the current grant funding for MCERT through the Grey Bruce Health Services.

The Board expressed interest in applying for the grant to have additional FTE staff as the program has been very beneficial. The Board discussed submitting a joint application with the Municipality of Kincardine and lobbying with the Ministry of Health for additional funding.

The Board discussed the recent accident on Bruce County Road 3 and the barricades at the incident scene.

Councillor Tim Elphick will attend the promotional interview(s) for the new Detachment Commander.

11. Closed Session

That the Brockton Police Services Board enter into Closed Session at 5:25 p.m. in accordance with Section 35(4)(b) of the Police Services Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.15 in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- Intimate financial or personal matters or other matters may be disclosed of such a nature, having regard to the circumstances, that the desirability of avoiding their disclosure in the interest of any person affected or in the public interest outweighs the desirability of adhering to the principle that proceedings be open to the public. - **False Alarm Appeal**

Resolution:

Moved By B. Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Tim Elphick

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby approve the direction provided in Closed Session.

Carried.

12. Next Meeting

The next Brockton Police Services Board meeting was rescheduled for June 15, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

13. Adjournment

Resolution:

Moved By B. Carl Kuhnke

Seconded By Tim Elphick

That the Brockton Police Services Board meeting hereby adjourns at 5:51 p.m.

Carried