

Brockton Police Services Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 4:15 P.M.

Location: South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment

25 Bruce Road 19, Walkerton

Present:

Chair: Brian Read

Members: Councillor Steve Adams, Councillor James Lang, Detachment
Commander Krista Miller, Sgt. Paul Richardson

Staff: Secretary – Corporate Records, Licensing and Communications Assistant
Sarah Johnson

Guests: Operations/CAO Administrative Assistant Tayler Grubb

Absent: Sgt. Keegan Wilcox

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:27 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: James Lang

That the Agenda for the March 21, 2019 meeting of the Brockton Police Services Board be accepted.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None.

4. Review of Meeting Minutes dated February 28, 2019

Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: James Lang

That the Minutes of the February 28, 2019 meeting of the Brockton Police Services Board be accepted.

Carried.

5. Business Arising from Minutes of February 28, 2019

Steve Adams corrected the February 28, 2019 minutes to record that the Black Cat Radar unit picks up both directions in one location.

Steve Adams thanked Krista Miller and Paul Richardson for attending the March 12, 2019 Council Meeting and presenting their 2018 Year End Report as a delegation to Council. He appreciated their time and effort, and stated that there was a good response a to the report from Council. The Council representatives on the Brockton Police Services Board are also willing to assist with communications between the Municipality and the O.P.P.

6. Accounts

Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the accounts be paid as follows:

6.1 Dates: 02/08/19 to 03/06/19 \$175,317.14

Carried.

7. Items Carried Forward

7.1 Black Cat Radar

Brockton's Operations/CAO Administrative Assistant Tayler Grubb was present at the meeting to inform the Board on reports and data collected from the Black Cat Radar.

The reports were generated from the radar and provided to the Board for information. The reports show the enforcement, and speeds collected. The radar will assist the O.P.P. identify and justifying targeted patrols.

The Board discussed the value of the radar.

The O.P.P. would like to continue to build rapport and relationships with concerned residents to give informed feedback of patrols or radar results.

The Board discussed sidewalks in the community of Chepstow.

The Black Cat Radar will be posted in a different location.

7.2 Marijuana Legislation

The Board decided to remove this item from future agendas until an update is available. Krista Miller will report if there are any issues concerning marijuana legislation.

7.3 Spring Auction

Chair, Brian Read contacted the Kincardine Police Services Board. The Kincardine Police Services Board responded by email with a breakdown of expenses. Approximately \$936.00 was generated as profit/revenue from the 2018 spring auction.

Brockton and Kincardine Police Services Boards agreed to split the profits/revenue 50/50. Kincardine will send a cheque to Brockton. Approximately \$468.00 will be Brockton's profits from the auction.

The Board discussed donating the auction profits to the Walkerton and District Food Bank and United Way. The Board were in favour of donating to the Walkerton and District Food Bank.

Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams
That Brockton Police Services Board donate the proceeds from the 2018 spring auction to the Walkerton and District Food Bank.
Carried.

The Board agreed to make a joint presentation with the South Bruce O.P.P. to the Walkerton and District Food Bank.

7.4 Court Security

The Court Security Committee met on March 14, 2019. The committee reviewed the court security assessment tool, and will present their feedback and recommendations to the Ministry of the Attorney General representative.

A courthouse tour with the County is scheduled for March 25, 2019.

Single point entry remains the main recommendation for the courthouse. There is a challenge having courts in both buildings. There is a recommendation to join the two buildings. The Ministry of the Attorney General owns one court building and the County of Bruce owns the second court building.

The committee is focused on getting security in place.

The Board discussed the importance of security.

Tayler Grubb entered the meeting at 4:40 p.m. The Board proceeded to discuss Item 7.1 Black Cat Radar.

7.5 2019 Budget

Brian inquired about legal fees with Dean Leifso. Legal fees were removed from budget since this item was for By-Law Enforcement.

Brian inquired about the telephones. The Board Secretary is working with the Chief Financial Officer to obtain a quote from Telus on telephones.

7.6 Community Safety Well-Being Plan

Brian and Mayor Peabody are attending a Community Safety and Well-Being meeting in Owen Sound on March 22, 2019. Brian will complete a report for the Board.

Krista provided two copies of Community Safety and Well-Being Plans from Prince Edward County and Halton Region that were completed in Fall 2018. There is a proposal of a community risk assessment. Opioid working group, STAR is hosting a meeting on March 22, 2019.

Krista mentioned that Bancroft and Kenora are working on pilot project plans. These pilots are situation table driven.

Brockton's Chief Administrative Officer, Clerk, and the Board Secretary are attending a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan webinar on April 25, 2019.

Steve discussed the importance of including wellness in the plans, and mentioned the mobility issues facing Community Living.

8. Information/Correspondence

8.1 Annual Department Budget vs. Actual Comparison Report

Date: Ending February 1-28, 2019.

Presented for information.

9. New Business

9.1 O.P.P. Employee Assurance Information

Brian inquired with Krista regarding resources in place to support O.P.P. suicides. Krista explained that the O.P.P. has a Wellness Unit at their Headquarters with many programs. Other resources include mental health professionals, external resources available through their intranet, a critical incident response team trained to support members after incidents, an employee assistance program, and a psychologist debrief and diffusing.

The O.P.P. also utilize Road to Mental Readiness (a program developed by the R.C.M.P.) which helps introduce officers to signs and symptoms using a colour coded system.

The O.P.P. also offer mental health first aid training in-house.

The O.P.P. also have conversations, and discuss how much has changed in our society regarding mental health and stigma.

The O.P.P. have a plug-in record management system that they can use to self-identify if they have a critical incident. If officers are shown in the record management system that they attended a critical incident, or declare a critical incident, this can assist officers later if they are diagnosed through W.S.I.B. By identifying earlier, this can assist with W.S.I.B. records.

Training assists officers in recognizing symptoms so they can self-identify, report, or go directly to an officer to record their symptoms.

Paul discussed that the culture is changing, and there is more encouragement for talking, sharing, having conversations and reducing stigma.

The organization is also undergoing a mental health review.

9.2 Zone 5 Meeting

Brian was unable to attend the March 19, 2019 Zone 5 Meeting. The next Zone 5 meeting will be held on June 18, 2019 hosted by O.P.P. Wellington.

10. O.P.P. Detachment Commander's Report – Date: February 2019

Krista Miller reviewed her Detachment Commander Report:

- The one Sexual Assault reported during this time period the Suspect was known to the Victim.
- None of the Assaults in February were Domestic related.
- Break and Enters and Theft Over occurrences are down slightly while Theft Under had a slight increase.
- We are continuing with our Pocket Your Keys campaign encouraging the community to help prevent property crimes. We are also engaging our Auxiliary Unit to complete some Lock or Lose It campaigns as well as Safe Guard Assessments for victims of property crime.

- The increase in Frauds continues to be of concern. The Frauds/Scams are becoming more creative in nature. In the month of February we had reported a case of Identity
- Theft with a large monetary amount lost, a Loan Fraud with money lost, an on-line fraud with money lost. Some recent fraud attempts come under the guise of a known email address. Two of the reported frauds were unfounded.
- March is Fraud Prevention Month. Our Community Safety Officer has posted media releases throughout the month targeting a different fraud/scam in each release. She has also given half a dozen Fraud prevention presentations to community groups in the month of March.
- The two Drug Possession occurrences involved overdoses. In both cases the victims were revived by officers utilizing Narcan.
- We are down in both Property and Personal Injury Motor Vehicle collisions. 40% was due to inclement weather. One person was charged with Impaired by Drug. Another collision was a Fail to Remain, suspected to be an Impaired Driver.
- At the beginning of March we had a complaint about Motorized Snow Machine traffic on the Saugeen River Trail. Officers were asked to include the entrances on their patrols to observe for this activity. The School Resource Officer was going to address it with students at the school seen driving MSV's.

Steve recommended that the Pocket Your Keys Campaign be advertised on the East Ridge Business Park sign. The Board Secretary is working with the O.P.P. Media/Community Safety Officer to create the signage that is consistent with O.P.P. media guidelines.

The Board Secretary will include messaging about fraud scams in the April issue of the Brockton Buzz Newsletter.

The Board discussed Narcan. The O.P.P. explained that Narcan only suppresses the effects of opioids for 20 minutes. The O.P.P. encourages that individuals still go to hospital after Narcan has been administered.

There have been no further DPK graffiti occurrences.

O.P.P. complaints were not included in the report, but Krista reported that there was one external and one internal complaint in February 2019.

Mayor Peabody asked about domestic violence at the March 12, 2019 Council Meeting. The O.P.P. saw a significant increase in 2016 and 2017. Calls went down but charges have increased. Charges have increased in the last 3 years. The O.P.P. have asked for further analysis from their Regional Analyst.

The O.P.P. received O.P.P. Review Magazines from the Ministry and were asked to provide the magazines to Police Services Board members. Krista provided the magazines to Brian, Steve and James.

11. Other Business

11.1 March 12, 2019 Council Meeting Presentation

Brian stated his appreciation to Krista and Paul for attending the March 12, 2019 Council Meeting. It was agreed that the O.P.P. complete a yearly report to Council going forward.

Steve encouraged enhancing open communication in the community regarding policing.

The Board decided to include the O.P.P. Detachment Commander Reports in Council Packages. The Board Secretary will add the January and February 2019 Detachment Commander Reports to the upcoming March 26, 2019 Council Agenda.

11.2 Sexual Assault Complaints

Steve inquired if the sexual assault calls included in the report were founded or unfounded? Krista explained that any crime is considered a call for service.

The clearance rates show if they are founded or unfounded under Violent Crime in the Detachment Commander Report.

12. Next Meeting

Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 4:15 P.M.

13. Motion for Adjournment

Moved By: James Lang Seconded by: Steve Adams

That we do now adjourn at 6:05 p.m. to meet again on April 25, 2019 at 4:15 p.m., or at the call of the Chair.

Carried.