

Brockton Police Services Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 4:15 p.m.

Location: South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment

25 Bruce Road 19, Walkerton

Present:

Chair: Brian Read

Members: Councillor James Lang, Councillor Steve Adams, Detachment
Commander Krista Miller, Sgt. Keegan Wilcox, Sgt. Kendall Ward, and
Provincial Appointee Heather Frook,

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

Guest: Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations

Absent: Provincial Appointee Jeff Hall, Sgt. Richardson

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: Heather Frook

That the Agenda for the December 12, 2019 meeting of the Brockton Police
Services Board be accepted as presented.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None.

4. Delegations

4.1 Gregory Furtney, Municipality of Brockton's Director of Operations

Chair, Brian Read welcomed Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations to the
Board meeting.

Mr. Furtney stated his respect for the Board's responsibilities, and the O.P.P.
in serving Brockton's community.

Mr. Furtney wished to provide the Board with knowledge, and information from
the Municipality's perspective of some of the issues the Board has been
discussing at previous meetings.

Mr. Furtney discussed the malfunctions of the Black Cat Radar, and explained
that there is a software update available for the radar for approximately
\$1,600. The Board discussed the importance and usefulness of the Black Cat
Radar. The Municipality will send the radar back to the company to be fixed.

Mr. Furtney discussed the process, staff time, and costs associated with
purchasing additional speed signs. Mr. Furtney also explained the
corresponding legislation and regulations regarding signage.

Mr. Furtney discussed other traffic calming measures being addressed by the
Municipality, including the use of speed humps, which were installed on Ridout

Street in Walkerton. Mr. Furtney explained the labour, staff time, and costs associated to install and maintain the speed humps.

Mr. Furtney discussed child-warning signs, and explained that the signs are not regulatory or enforceable. The Municipality will help residents install the signs, but the costs of the signs are to be paid by the individual requesting the sign.

The Board discussed continuing communication between the Municipality, Council, and O.P.P. The Board discussed the potential of reinstating a Roads Committee to assist in a collaborative approach to concerns of speeding in the Municipality, prior to addressing the topics at Council.

The Board discussed the continued need for public awareness and education to prevent speeding.

Chair Read thanked Mr. Furtney for attending the meeting, and asked that thanks be passed onto staff at the Municipality for their assistance with the Black Cat Radar.

The Board discussed the perception of school buses speeding along Lake Rosalind.

Gregory Furtney exited the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

5. Review of Meeting Minutes dated November 21, 2019

Moved By: Heather Frook Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the minutes of the November 21, 2019 meeting of the Brockton Police Services Board be accepted.

Carried.

6. Business Arising from Minutes

6.1 OAPSB 2020 Membership Confirmation

The Secretary confirmed that the membership had been paid.

6.2 Human Trafficking Grant Meeting Update

Heather Frook attended the meeting with the Kincardine Police Services Board and informed the Board of the committee members, including representatives from Victim Services Grey-Bruce, and Violence Prevention Grey-Bruce.

Three sessions will be held – January 23, 2020 at the Davidson Centre in Kincardine, February 20, 2020 at the Walkerton Clean Water Centre, and March 5, 2020 at the Lucknow Arena in Huron-Kinloss. These three awareness sessions lead up to the main conference on March 26 and 27, 2020 in Port Elgin.

The committee are discussing the content of programs, door prizes, food/drink, marketing, and target audiences. The committee is waiting on approval for a paid Coordinator to assist in these events.

Chair Read discussed his meeting with the Kincardine Police Services Board, and reminded the Board that grant monies must be spent by the end of March. The Board voiced their appreciation for the Municipality of Kincardine for letting the Brockton PSB work with them throughout this grant.

The Board discussed education of human trafficking awareness, and O.P.P. officer training.

6.3 OAPSB Zone 5 Meeting Update

Chair Read attended the Zone 5 Meeting in Orangeville. The Board discussed mental health.

Heather Frook invited the Board to attend a mental health seminar on January 3 and 4, 2020 in Lucknow, hosted by the Lucknow Agricultural Society. The Ontario Federation of Agriculture will also host a mental health seminar in the spring targeting the agricultural community.

6.4 East Ridge Business Park Sign

The Board agreed to continue using the Municipality's available advertising slots to display O.P.P. messaging from the O.P.P. at the East Ridge Business Park.

6.5 5.3 Meeting end of January

Chair Read cannot attend the meeting and asked that another PSB member attend in his absence.

7. Accounts

Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Heather Frook

That the accounts be paid as follows:

7.1 Dates: 11/08/19 to 11/21/19 \$124.33

Carried.

8. Items Carried Forward

8.1 Black Cat Radar

Discussed under Item 4

8.2 Court Security

No update.

8.3 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

Legislation requires a Brockton Police Services Board representative to be on the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Advisory Committee.

Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Heather Frook

That the Brockton Police Services Board hereby appoints Krista Miller as the representative on the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Advisory Committee for the Municipality of Brockton's Police Services Board.

Carried.

9. Information/Correspondence

9.1 Annual Department Budget vs. Actual Comparison Report

Date: November 1-31, 2019.

Presented for information.

Brockton's Chief Financial Officer transferred three expenses related to the Chair's OAPSB Annual Conference into the Training Budget instead of the Mileage budget.

10. New Business

10.1 Grey Bruce We C.A.R.E. Committee Invitation

Inspector Miller discussed the O.P.P. previous engagement with the We C.A.R.E. program, and informed the Board that We C.A.R.E. are a well-connected resource.

The Board felt they required further information before any commitments were made. The invitation will be included in the December 17, 2019 Council Meeting agenda.

10.2 2020 Meeting Schedule

The Board will meet on January 16, 2020 at 4:15 p.m. and then set rest of the 2020 meeting dates at that meeting.

11. O.P.P. Detachment Commander's Report – Date: November 2019

Detachment Commander, Krista Miller, reviewed her O.P.P. Detachment Commander's Report:

- There were no Sexual Assaults reported during this time period.
- Assaults are down slightly during this time period compared to 2018 and continue to be down Year to Date.
- Break and Enters, Theft Over and Under all continue to trend downward for the month of November and Year to Date.
- Property Crime across the board is down this month and Year to Date.
- Unfortunately one reported Fraud "Romance Scam" has again resulted in a significant loss of money.
- There were three Personal Injury Motor Vehicle Collision this month - with one involving a pedestrian. That investigation is still ongoing at this time.
- Property Damage collisions were down significantly from the previous year and we continue to be down overall Year to Date.
- Ontario green lights use of photo radar in municipalities to crack down on speeding.
 - "The Ontario government will allow municipalities to enforce speed limits in school and community safety zones through the use of photo radar starting on Sunday, Dec 1, 2019 ... these regulatory changes will give the city the ability to ticket or charge drivers in school and safety zones on roads with a speed limit of less than 80 km/h."
<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/photo-radar-automatic-speed-enforcement-municipalities-1.5379781>
- The OPP has introduced On-line reporting for minor offences. By going to opp.ca/reporting citizens can report the following offences:
 - Theft Under \$5000;

- Mischief/ Damage to Property Under \$5000
- Mischief/ Damage to Vehicle Under \$5000
- Theft from Vehicle
- Lost/ Missing Property Under \$5000
- Stolen License Plates
- Driving Complaints (after the occurrence)

The Board inquired as to whether online O.P.P. reports were billable. Inspector Miller stated that the Deputy Commissioner is inquiring.

- A meeting was held regarding hosting a Human Trafficking Awareness session in Brockton. Due to the successful Grant application obtained by the Municipality of Kincardine it was decided to host three sessions -one in Kincardine, one in Walkerton and one in Lucknow. These sessions would provide public education and awareness of Human Trafficking and support attendance at a larger forum being hosted in Port Elgin on March 26th/27th by Violence Prevention Grey/Bruce -HT committee.
- A further meeting was held with the Kincardine PSB Chair, Laura Haight and Brockton PSB Chair, Brian Read to discuss future corroboration with the HT grant activities.
- Community Safety and Well Being planning continues with the Grey Bruce Committee. The New Year will see the start of the Community Engagement process. Two Engagement sessions are planned for each Municipality-dates TBD.

Inspector Miller informed the Board that the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Committee have scheduled community engagement sessions during January to March 2020 to help identify risks. The sessions will include a presentation and facilitation. Self-facilitation toolkits were provided to members of the Advisory Committee to engage and identify risks in their communities. All of the organizations involved in the Committee will complete a self-facilitation. An online survey will also be available to the public.

A warrant was completed in Hanover, and meth and fentanyl were seized. Six people were taken into custody.

Inspector Miller received a request from the Municipality's CAO to have regular patrols assigned to Walkerton District Community School during smoking hours. Inspector Miller explained that the officers are aware of concerns in that area, and attend on regular basis when they are available; however, the O.P.P. cannot commit to regular patrols due to other calls for service.

The Board discussed the continued issues around smoking at Hinks Street and Fischer Dairy Road in Walkerton as a result of changes to the Smoke Free Ontario Act, 2017. Mayor Peabody and Councillors delivered letters to residents, and have encouraged residents to contact MPP Lisa Thompson to urge the province to grant an exception to the legislation.

Inspector Miller reminded the Board that constituents should contact the O.P.P. directly at the time the issue is occurring to make complaints, which can assist officers in enforcement.

12. Other Business

12.1 Brockton Police Services Board Business Cards

Heather Frook inquired if she could receive Brockton PSB business cards to use at events and social networking to avoid any conflicts of interest with her personal business or involvement with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams
That the Brockton Police Services Board approves printing business cards for Provincial Appointee Heather Frook, and that the associated costs be included in the Board's supplies budget.
Carried.

Action: Secretary to email business card to Heather Frook for approval

12.2 O.P.P. Curling Championship January 15-19, 2020 in Walkerton

Inspector Miller invited the Board to attend the championship event.

12.3 Tim Hortons Signage

Councillor Adams discussed a concern with cars turning left out of the Tim Hortons driveway. The Board discussed the ownership of the signage not allowing left turns.

Action: Councillor Adams to discuss the issue with Director of Operations, Gregory Furtney and receive confirmation of sign ownership.

13. Next Meeting

Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 4:15 p.m.

14. Motion for Adjournment

Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded by: Heather Frook
That we do now adjourn at 6:20 p.m. to meet again on January 16, 2020 at 4:15 p.m., or at the call of the Chair.
Carried.