

GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
Wednesday May 13, 2015– 4:00 P.M.
Police Headquarters, 5th Floor Boardroom

PUBLIC MINUTES

Present:

Gerry Lougheed Jr., Chair
France Caldarelli, Vice Chair
Toula Sakellaris, Member
Councillor Gerry Montpellier, Member
Councillor Michael Vagnini, Member
Joanne Latendre, Executive Assistant

Regrets:

Staff:

Paul Pedersen, Chief of Police
Sharon Baiden, Chief Administrative Officer
Sheilah Weber, Superintendent
Todd Zimmerman, Inspector
Michael Chapman, Inspector
Dan Despatie, Acting Inspector
John Somerset, Acting Inspector

Allan Lekun, Deputy Chief of Police
Dan Markiewich, Inspector
Robert Thirkill, Insepctor

Guests:

Constable Bert Lapalme, Media Officer, meeting assisted by and Auxiliary Officers Susan Easter and Jen Cayen

News Media:

Erik White, CBC Radio
Nick Liard, Q92 – KISS 105.3 Radio
Mary K. Keown, Sudbury Star

Darren MacDonald, Northern Life
Isaac Gauthier, Radio Canada

The Board moved back into PUBLIC to resume discussions at 4:16 p.m.

Motion to Meet In Camera Time – 3:00 p.m.

(2015-068) MONTPELLIER – SAKELLARIS: THAT the Board adjourn the public portion of its meeting to move IN CAMERA to discuss confidential items pertaining to legal and personnel matters in accordance with Section 35(4)(b) of the *Police Services Act*.

CARRIED

Matters Arising from In Camera Session

During the In Camera meeting, the Board discussed and resolved confidential items pertaining to legal and personnel matters.

Roll Call

Attendance was taken at this time.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None

Adoption of Minutes

(2015-071) SAKELLARIS – MONTPELLIER: THAT the Greater Sudbury Police Services Board Minutes of April 9, 2015 be adopted as circulated and read.

CARRIED

Motion to Accept Agenda

(2015-072) MONTPELLIER – SAKELLARIS: THAT the Greater Sudbury Police Services Board accepts the Agenda for the May 13, 2015 meeting.

CARRIED

2014 Crime Statistics Presentation

Chief Pedersen presented the Board with the 2014 Crime Statistics. Overall, crime is down and this trend in reported crime is consistent across Canada. Prevention is key to reducing crime and the Service Delivery Model is followed where the Police:

- ~ champion community safety, security, and wellness
- ~ Initiate and partner to achieve change in community outcomes
- ~ intervene collaboratively to reduce elevated risk situations
- ~ enforce laws and hold offenders accountable

Crime Prevention is an investment in community safety and wellbeing and is clearly having an impact on crime rates. The Service has received positive feedback on the success of the RIDE Program and visibility of officers.

Police Week Overview

Chief Pedersen spoke on the events planned for Police Week. Since 1970, Police Week has been observed in May to coincide with Peace Officers Memorial Day. The week is recognized during May 11-15, 2015. This year's theme 'Discover Policing' showcases and encourages individuals to discover the many ways policing works to keep communities safe. Information is available on the Service's website at www.gspcs.ca.

Appointment of Special Constable

The Board received a report for the appointment of a Special Constable.

(2015-073) SAKELLARIS – MONTPELLIER: THAT the Board approves the appointment of Special Constable effective May 1, 2015 pursuant to Section 53 of the *Police Services Act* in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Approval of Appointment form:

KAREN, Kathryn

CARRIED

Staffing / Deployment Update

The Board received a report in relation to staffing and deployment activities from January 1 to April 30, 2015.

(2015-074) MONTPELLIER – SAKELLARIS: THAT the Board, in accordance with Section 31(1) (a) of the *Police Services Act*, hereby appoints members of the Greater Sudbury Police Service on the dates specified; and further

THAT the Board hereby accepts the resignations members from the positions on the effective dates specified.

CARRIED

Police Auctions

The Board received a report on the Police Auction. The Property Section has explored various options around conducting auctions in order to ensure the widest viewing audience utilizing available technology. After consideration of various solutions, Police Auctions Canada (PAC) is recommended.

(2015-075) MONTPELLIER – SAKELLARIS: THAT the Board enters into an Agreement for a one-year trial period with Police Auctions Canada for the purpose of online auction services.

CARRIED

Effective and Efficiency Review – Request for Proposal

CAO Baiden advised the Board that a Request for Proposals will be issued seeking qualified vendors to conduct an effectiveness and efficiency review of the Service.

2015 CAPG Conference Support

The Board received a request for financial support from the Canadian Association of Police Governance for their Annual Conference August 21-23, 2015 in Nova Scotia.

(2015-076) SAKELLARIS – MONTPELLIER: THAT the Board approves a \$500 donation to the 2015 Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) to help defray the cost of organizing the conference in York Region, Ontario with funds to be drawn from the Police Services Board operating account.

CARRIED

Chief's Youth Initiative Fund

The Board received requests for financial support from the Chief's Youth Initiative Fund.

(2015-077) MONTPELLIER – SAKELLARIS: THAT the Board approve the following donations with funds drawn from the Chief's Youth Initiative Fund:

\$1,000 in support of the 12th Annual Aboriginal Secondary Schools Awards

\$500 in support of the 2015 Chelmsford Neighbourhood Team Bike Rodeo

\$250 in support of 2015 SDHU 'Back to School Community Store'

CARRIED

Inspector Updates

Superintendent Weber advised that the first annual "Our Shared Commitment Awards" banquet will be held May 14, 2015 at the Steelworkers Hall. The Business Plan is almost complete and ready for review and input. Ontario Human Rights Commission training is scheduled for June 1-2, 2015. Board Members are invited to attend. The Ontario Women in Law Enforcement Awards banquet was held recently and the GSPS Inclusion Team won the Team Endeavor award. Several members from the Service were on hand to receive the award as well as long service awards.

Inspector Chapman advised the proposed upcoming changes to WASH (weekend and statutory holiday) Court will increase costs as more persons are being processed. It has been suggested that the Sudbury location become the permanent host for Northern Ontario Courts. The current facilities are neither appropriate nor suitable. As this time, there are no opportunities for cost recovery.

Inspector Zimmerman, CID, reported on Road Safety Week where the Traffic Unit and Uniform Division targeted impaired drivers, improper seat belt use, distracted and aggressive driving. The Volunteer Appreciation Night saw 110 participants awarded. The Auxiliary Unit was acknowledged as well as seven members of the Colour Party. The event was well attended. There is an Urban Renewal Committee which has two members from the Service.

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Inspector Updates Continued

A/Inspector Despatie updated the Board on the body located in Junction Creek. Investigation continues with attempts to identify the individuals through requests to the public for assistance.

A/Inspector Somerset, Uniform, advised that all training on CEWs is complete and equipment has been issued. This equipment is a valuable addition for the front-line officer. He also noted that several members from the Community Mobilization Unit have participated in Police Week.

Notes of Appreciation

A letter was received from Councillor Joscelyne Landry-Altmann commending the team members of the Anti-Fraud Campaign Initiative including the Greater Sudbury Police Service, Greater Sudbury Utilities, Huntington University, and Northern Life. “The pamphlet is well designed, the information is concise, easy to understand, and will be successful in delivering its message. The social media campaign will be far reaching. The Police Service has been issuing fraud alerts on a regular basis to keep our citizens informed. Everyone has played an integral role in bringing this important message to the community.”

An email was received from a Sudbury resident thanking the police officers who attended following a family death. “Constable Mike Babij kept me calm and prepared me and my wife to attend the hospital. He stayed with us through everything. Detective Constable Neil McNamara was amazing. He kept us informed and told me I could call him any time if I needed to talk. Officers were very respectful. They all did a great job handling the worst day of our lives. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.” The police team included Constables Chris Vitali, Matthew Hall, Lisa Franche, Kim Chisholm, Detective Sergeant Sandra Dicaire, Detective Constable Dave Dewar, and Sergeant Sharon O’Brien.

Correspondence

Communication was received from the Office of the Independent Police Review Director in April 2015 regarding a systemic review of use of force techniques for all municipal police services in Ontario. The correspondence was attached for review and discussion by the Board.

A card was received from Myths and Mirrors Community Arts Program thanking the Board for their support of the 'Arts in the Park' project. "We look forward to reporting the impacts and results of our project on youth in the community."

A letter was received from Ashleigh McBain, OSAID Teacher Representative at Confederation Secondary School, thanking the Board for the support of the 2015 leadership conference. Unfortunately, the conference was cancelled for this school year. Continued support for the planned 2016 conference is appreciated. The donation has been returned.

New Business

Chair Lougheed congratulated Chief Pedersen on being appointed to the Cambrian College Board of Directors.

Superintendent Weber reminded the Board that the 'Fishing for Food' event was being held June 18-20, 2015 to fill boats with food for the Elgin Street Mission.

Next Meeting: Tuesday June 10, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Time – 5:48 p.m.

(2015-078) SAKELLARIS – MONTPELLIER: THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED