

## Peterborough Police Services Board

### September 17<sup>th</sup> 2019 – Public Minutes

Minutes of the public meeting of the Peterborough Police Services Board held in the Ann Cuthbertson Room.

**Members Present:** Councillor Gary Baldwin, Chair  
 Mr. Ken East, Vice Chair  
 Mayor Diane Therrien  
 Mr. Bob Hall  
 Mr. Mark Graham

**Also Present:** Scott Gilbert, Chief of Police  
 Tim Farquharson, Deputy Chief of Police  
 Niquel Pritchard Pataki, Executive Assistant

**Regrets:** Councillor Anita Locke, Advisor for Selwyn Township  
 Mayor Scott McFadden, Advisor for Cavan Monaghan Township

1. The Chair called the meeting to order. (4:32 PM)

2. Approval To Go In-Camera

Moved by Mark Graham  
 Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the Peterborough Police Services Board move in-camera to discuss items contained in the agenda package. –  
 CARRIED

#### **Police Services Act:**

35 (4): The board may exclude the public from all or part of a meeting or hearing if it is of the opinion that,

- (a) matters involving public security may be disclosed and, having regard to the circumstances, the desirability of avoiding their disclosure in the public interest outweighs the desirability of adhering to the principle that proceedings be open to the public; or
- (b) 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. R.S.O. 1990, c. P.15, s. 35.

The Chair reconvened the public meeting at 6:10 PM.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Diane Therrien  
 Seconded by Ken East

That the agenda of the Peterborough Police Services Board's public meeting of September 17<sup>th</sup> 2019 be approved as circulated. –  
 CARRIED

4. A declaration of conflict of interest was not noted.

5. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Mark Graham  
 Seconded by Bob Hall

That the public Minutes of the September 4<sup>th</sup> meeting be approved as circulated.  
 – CARRIED

6. Chief's Remarks

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Ken East

That the Board receive the Chief's verbal remarks. –  
CARRIED

Chief Gilbert informed everyone that PC Greg Robinson has resigned from the Service after 18 years and has accepted a position with the West Grey Police Service.

7. Chair's Remarks

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Bob Hall

That the Board receive the Chair's verbal remarks. –  
CARRIED

The Chair asked Chief Gilbert to extend best wishes from the Board to PC Robinson and his family.

8. Delegations

Nil

9. Correspondence

Moved by Mark Graham  
Seconded by Ken East

That the following correspondence be received as one omnibus motion:

a) Ministry of the Solicitor General

- i) The update on the exemptions regulation under the **Police Records Check Reform Act** regarding the screening of individuals for positions in policing and the justice sector.
- ii) The increases to the Basic Constable Training Program and the Senior Specialized Course Fees at the Ontario Police College which are effective January 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.
- iii) The 2018 Risk Driven Tracking Database Annual Report.
- iv) The information on the Victim Quick Response Program+ (VQRP+) and the changes starting October 1<sup>st</sup>.
- v) The communication regarding the continuity of deceased persons.
- vi) The federal regulations and timelines for the production and sale of cannabis edibles, extracts and topicals.

b) OAPSB

- i) The request for sponsorship for the Labour Conference being held in Toronto from October 10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>.
- ii) The invitation to the Farewell Event for Andy Pringle, Chair of the Toronto Police Services Board.

c) Lakefield Youth Unlimited

The invitation to the fundraising dinner from Lakefield Youth Unlimited.

d) CAPG

The information regarding the September 23<sup>rd</sup> webinar: Hiring Your Chief of Police. –  
CARRIED

The Board discussed the increase to the course fees at the Ontario Police College.

Chief Gilbert explained that we try to go to other police services for training whenever possible or host training sessions here with an instructor from the college as it is more cost effective. The main expense is for the accommodations as the college is at capacity and our Members must stay in local hotels.

There was also discussion about the cannabis edibles, extracts and topicals and if the Service was ready for this.

The Deputy explained that we have not been in this situation before with edibles. We know it has resulted in more hospital visits in Colorado. We are sending our Members to as many symposiums as possible. York Regional Police estimated that 2% of their budget would be allocated to cannabis enforcement. He will look into this further and report back at the next Board meeting.

Chief Gilbert reminded everyone that the province is providing funding to the municipalities; however, it goes to the City, not the police service.

It was suggested that the Service could use this funding for a project in the downtown.

Diane Therrien will speak with Sandra Clancy and Richard Freymond about the funding including how much we received, where it went and what it can be used for.

10. R. v. Myers and the Implications for the Service

Moved by Bob Hall  
Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the Board receive the report from A/Inspector Hartnett and Chief Gilbert regarding the implications the Supreme Court of Canada decision, R v. Myers, has on the Peterborough Police Service. Further, that the Board will consider hiring more Special Constables in the 2021 budget year to cover the additional tasks especially based on the minimal staffing that currently exists. –  
CARRIED

A/Inspector Jamie Hartnett informed the Board that the increased court appearances cause overtime issues for court services staff.

Chief Gilbert explained that this stems from a Supreme Court of Canada decision. We could have many other things going on in court and if these appearances are scheduled, we may have to bring uniform staff in to assist.

Bob Hall asked the Executive Assistant to add a slide to the 2020 budget presentation highlighting this decision and the impact on the Service.

A/Inspector Hartnett was asked how many additional part time special constables are needed as the Board just approved two more in the 2020 budget. He felt four more would be of assistance; however, if all seven courtrooms are operating in both locations, we could still be stretched thin.

Deputy Chief Farquharson left the meeting at 6:55 PM and did not return.

11. Policy/Planning Committee

a) 2020-2023 Strategic Plan

Moved by Diane Therrien

Seconded by Ken East

That the Board receive the August 31<sup>st</sup> progress report from Met Scan. –  
CARRIED

Everyone felt that Met-Scan was doing a good job and the feedback received thus far is very positive.

b) Licensing Fee Increases, Cancellation of the September 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting

Moved by Mark Graham  
Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the Board receive the update from the Vice Chair regarding the cancellation of the September 25<sup>th</sup> public meeting. –  
CARRIED

Ken East explained that the licensing fees will be reviewed and discussed with the working group along with the responsibility for these bylaws. The group's next meeting is October 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 PM.

12. October 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting Date

Moved by Ken East  
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the Board meeting on October 16<sup>th</sup> be moved to the 22<sup>nd</sup>. –  
CARRIED

13. Ratification and Adjournment

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the Board ratify all actions of today's date. –  
CARRIED

Moved by Bob Hall  
Seconded by Ken East

That the public meeting be adjourned. (7:36 PM) –  
CARRIED

Read and approved this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2019.

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Niquel Pritchard Pataki, Executive Assistant

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Gary Baldwin, Chair