

Peterborough Police Services Board

April 21st 2020 – Public Minutes

Minutes of the public meeting of the Peterborough Police Services Board held via teleconference and in the Hugh Waddell Boardroom.

Members Present: Councillor Gary Baldwin, Chair
Mr. Mark Graham, Vice Chair
Mayor Diane Therrien
Mr. Bob Hall
Mr. Les Kariunas

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

Regrets: Councillor Anita Locke, Advisor for Lakefield
Mayor Scott McFadden, Advisor for Cavan Monaghan

1. The Chair called the meeting to order. (4:05 PM)

2. Roll Call

Present via teleconference: Gary Baldwin, Chair
Mark Graham, Vice Chair
Mayor Diane Therrien
Bob Hall
Les Kariunas

Present in the Boardroom: Chief Gilbert
(Via teleconference) Deputy Chief Farquharson
Niquel Pritchard Pataki

3. Approval To Go In-Camera

Moved by Bob Hall
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 6:08 PM. A moment of silence was held for the victims, families and those affected by the shootings in Nova Scotia.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the agenda of the Peterborough Police Services Board meeting of April 21st 2020 be approved as circulated. –
CARRIED

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

6. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Diane Therrien
Seconded by Bob Hall

That the Minutes of the March 31st 2020 public meeting be approved as circulated.-
CARRIED

7. Remarks

a) Chief's Remarks

Moved by Les Kariunas
Seconded by Mark Graham

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

Chief Gilbert assured the Board that despite the pandemic, the Service is operating at full staff. We are proud of the work that both our uniform and civilian Members are doing. They are doing a great job.

b) Chair's Remarks

Moved by Mark Graham
Seconded by Diane Therrien

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

The Chair thanked the Members for all that they are doing during this difficult time. He also thanked Chief Gilbert for lowering the flag in recognition of the recent events in Nova Scotia.

Deputy Chief Farquharson joined the meeting. (6:12 PM)

8. Delegations and Presentations:

Angelo Cristofaro, Jim Brown, Peter Lennox and Kim Derry from Met Scan were also on the conference call.

Angelo Cristofaro outlined the process undertaken by Met Scan to create the Strategic Plan. He explained that the input from the external stakeholders and from the Members was very similar. The community agencies have a great deal of respect for the Service and want to do more to assist.

Diane Therrien asked about the internal and external consultations as it took a while.

Met Scan said they initially felt they had enough information but came back to interview more Members of the Service.

Mark Graham thanked them for coming back to finish the internal consultations.

Les Kariunas asked what unique features came out of their review.

Angelo Cristofaro said the City is experiencing population growth and the Service will have to be expanded. HR will need to decide how to hire and reach out to the more diverse communities. Technology must also be addressed. Everyone told us that. These things will need to be in place or the Service will fall further behind.

Met Scan left the meeting at 6:26 PM.

9. Correspondence

Moved by Bob Hall

Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the following correspondence be received as one omnibus motion:

a) Ministry of the Solicitor General

- i) The enforcement of emergency orders under the **Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act**.
- ii) The memo regarding the continuation of essential businesses and the closure of non-essential work places.
- iii) The notice from the Ontario Court of Justice limiting access to the courthouses and the rescheduling of all non-urgent matters.
- iv) The information about offences for failure to provide identifying information for enforcement of violations under the emergency orders.
- v) The update on the extension of expired driver, vehicle and carrier products, licenses and services in response to COVID-19.
- vi) The fact sheet on using expired N-95 masks.
- vii) The prohibition of public events, social gatherings, religious ceremonies and services of more than five people.
- viii) The expansion of powers to the Ministry of Transportation Ontario's enforcement officers and maintenance staff to assist in directing traffic and changes to truck parking rules.
- ix) The federal **Quarantine Act** and Mandatory Isolation Order requiring any person entering Canada to isolate for 14 days and monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 and the list of those exempted from the Order.
- x) The extension of the Declaration of Emergency and updates on the Emergency Orders.
- xi) Clarification on the extension of the six day requirement to register a vehicle in Ontario.
- xii) The updated list of essential businesses, requirements that apply to businesses, the closing of non-essential businesses and information regarding enforcement and public reporting on non-compliance.
- xiii) The memo regarding the disclosure of COVID-19 status information by labs and public health units and the recommendation that Boards develop policies related to the disclosure by a Chief and how such information is stored.
- xiv) The postponement of the May intake for the Basic Constable Training program at the Ontario Police College. (OPC)
- xv) The request to store used personal protective equipment (PPE) for potential reuse.
- xvi) The memo regarding disclosure of COVID-19 status information to authorized police personnel and the request for the list of those Members.
- xvii) The emergency order regarding changes to the use of force and firearms training permitting officers who have received the required training within the previous 24 months to continue performing their policing duties instead of having to requalify every 12 months.

- xviii) The information made under an emergency order that temporarily allows private licensed cannabis retail stores to provide delivery and curbside pick-up.
- xix) The collection of enforcement data related to the emergency orders under the **Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act** and the weekly reporting requirement.
- xx) The launch of the first responders COVID-19 risk portal.
- xxi) The emergency temporary regulation to extend accessible parking permits.
- xxii) The update on the expansion of COVID-19 testing to include first responders should they develop any symptom compatible with the virus including atypical symptoms.
- xxiii) The clarification of the application of O. Reg. 104/20 regarding outdoor recreational amenities and beaches.
- xxiv) The update on the implementation and enforcement of the federal emergency order under the **Quarantine Act**.

b) Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB)

Notice of the 2020 AGM which is being held via Zoom on May 29th at 3:00 PM.
– CARRIED

Les Kariunas asked about the memo from the Ministry regarding social gatherings and how that is being handled.

Chief Gilbert said we have received a number of calls about this and we are educating people. There is some confusion with the numbers because the City of Toronto has their own bylaw which doesn't apply to Peterborough.

Mark Graham asked about the release of inmates. CMHA is seeing an increase which is impacting homelessness. Is there an increase in those re-offending?

Chief Gilbert explained that there are two processes. Those who have been in jail, served their time and are being released early due to COVID. Then there are those we have just charged who are appearing in court for a video conference and being released on a promise to appear.

Mark Graham asked about the Service's supply of N95 masks.

Chief Gilbert said we have personal protective equipment in all vehicles including some dated N-95 masks, face shields, coveralls and goggles. A number of training videos from other Services have also been provided to the Members. Information is fast and changing. Our Occupational Health and Safety Committee have been kept up to date and we are asking questions of public health.

Mark Graham also asked about a policy and communication if someone tests positive and what information is being stored on computers.

Chief Gilbert said no information is being stored on our computers. Boards are to have policies as well.

The Board asked how many new recruits were scheduled to attend the intake at the Ontario Police College (OPC) in May.

Chief Gilbert said we had three who were originally hired as Special Constables. The College is looking at the intake being delayed to late June and options for training; however, the **Act** says it must happen at OPC.

10. 1st Quarter Auction Fund Report

Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the 1st quarter auction fund report from the Executive Assistant. –
CARRIED

11. Budget/Finance Committee

1st Quarter Financial Report for the Board

Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the 1st Quarter Financial Report for the Board's accounts from the Executive Assistant. -
CARRIED

Moved by Diane Therrien
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the public meeting be recessed. (6:54 PM) –
CARRIED

The Chair reconvened the public meeting.

12. Ratification and Adjournment

Moved by Diane Therrien
Seconded by Bob Hall

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

Moved by Les Kariunas
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the public meeting be adjourned. –
CARRIED

Read and approved this 12th day of May 2020.

Niquel Pritchard Pataki, Executive Assistant

Gary Baldwin, Chair