

## Peterborough Police Services Board

### March 10<sup>th</sup> 2020 – Public Minutes

Minutes of the public meeting of the Peterborough Police Services Board held 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. (4:02 PM)

Jeeti Sahota, Police Services Advisor from the Ministry of the Solicitor General, was also in attendance.

2. Approval To Go In-Camera

Moved by Diane Therrien  
 Seconded by Bob Hall

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 6:19 PM.

3. Election of the Vice Chair and Appointment to Committees

- a) Vice Chair

Moved by Diane Therrien  
 Seconded by Bob Hall

That Mark Graham be elected as the Vice Chair of the Peterborough Police Services Board for the remainder of 2020. –  
 CARRIED

- b) Policy/Planning

Moved by Diane Therrien

Seconded by Mark Graham

That Les Kariunas be appointed to the Policy/Planning Committee. –  
CARRIED

c) Budget/Finance Committee

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Bob Hall

That Gary Baldwin be appointed to the Budget/Finance Committee. –  
CARRIED

4. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Bob Hall  
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the agenda of the Peterborough Police Services Board meeting of March 10<sup>th</sup> 2020 be approved as amended. –  
CARRIED

Bob Hall added an item about the safe consumption site to the agenda.

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

6. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the Minutes of the February 11<sup>th</sup> 2020 public meeting be approved as circulated.-  
CARRIED

7. Remarks

a) Chief's Remarks

Moved by Bob Hall  
Seconded by Mark Graham

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

Chief Gilbert thanked Ken East for his hard work on the Board and through the difficult times. His leadership will be missed. He is grateful to have worked with him.

The Chief welcomed Les Kariunas to the Board and is looking forward to working with him.

b) Chair's Remarks

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Les Kariunas

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

The Chair said he was delighted to learn that Mark Graham has been reappointed to the Board. He also welcomed Les Kariunas. Mr. Kariunas has a wealth of experience in business and human resources.

Les Kariunas informed everyone that he has worked for international companies, has experience managing teams and has an international risk management designation. He is looking forward to a collaborative approach and bringing forward some change.

8. Delegations and Presentations:

Sheldon Laidman, Commissioner of Community Services for the City of Peterborough

Moved by Les Kariunas

Seconded by Bob Hall

That the Board receive the verbal update from Sheldon Laidman regarding the status of the Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan. –  
CARRIED

Mark Graham asked Mr. Laidman if the Board has to endorse the plan as it is a requirement in the **Police Services Act**.

Mr. Laidman believed it is up to Council; however, it should be endorsed by the Board as well.

Les Kariunas asked who the stakeholders are and what is expected of the Board.

Mr. Laidman said the Community Wellbeing Plan (CWP) was more formalized and there was a steering committee. We are trying to decide if we follow the same process this time. There will be a time line as to how we engage with stakeholders.

Chief Gilbert said he and the Chair attended a meeting about this last February.

Sheldon Laidman informed everyone that the townships felt enough background work was done on the CWP. The OPP were also at the table for that discussion.

9. Correspondence

Moved by Bob Hall

Seconded by Mark Graham

That the following correspondence be received as one omnibus motion:

a) Ministry of the Solicitor General

- i) Information from the Ministry of Health regarding the Novel Coronavirus.
- ii) The memo advising the policing community that O. Reg. 14/20 of the **Provincial Animal Welfare Services Act (PAWS)** setting out the procedures for animal welfare inspectors to obtain telewarrants is now in force.
- iii) The revised guidance notes on high visibility safety apparel and motor vehicle safety for police.
- iv) The details on the digital license for snow vehicle operators from the Ministry of Transportation.
- v) Information about the May 6<sup>th</sup> intake at the Ontario Police College (OPC) for the basic constable training program.
- vi) The February 18th letter from Minister Sylvia Jones reappointing Mark Graham to the Board for a period of up to six months.

- vii) The February 21st letter from Gita Ramburuth and Order in Council appointing Leslie Kariunas to the Board for a period of three years, effective February 24th 2020.
- viii) The reporting requirements for firearms under the **Police Services Act**.
- ix) The information from the Ministry of the Attorney General regarding the changes to s. 145 of the **Criminal Code** as a result of Bill C-75.
- x) The letter from the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General, and the Honourable Jill Dunlop, Associate Minister of Children and Women's Issues, regarding the province's five year anti-human trafficking strategy.

b) Blueline Magazine

The February edition of Blueline magazine.

c) City of Peterborough

The letter from John Kennedy informing the Board that Council has approved the 2020 budget.

d) Law of Policing Conference

The information on the upcoming Law of Policing Conference taking place in Toronto May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.

e) The Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB)

The request for sponsorship for the OAPSB's spring conference and AGM. – CARRIED

Les Kariunas asked how the Service is dealing with the COVID19.

Chief Gilbert explained that the Employee and Family Assistance Plan has provided video training. We are staying abreast of the situation and communicating with Members and the Health Unit.

Mark Graham said the CMHA are advising against travel.

Diane Therrien said she spoke with Council and Dr. Salvaterra last night. Information is changing but they are being updated. We encourage everyone to be vigilante.

Gary Baldwin asked Chief Gilbert how many new recruits we are sending to the Ontario Police College for the May intake and how many can retire.

Chief Gilbert said we are sending two in May and there are possibly 19 Members who can retire in '21.

There was discussion about the province's five year anti human trafficking strategy:

- There are a number of agencies who could be involved.
- The Service has a special victims unit as of last July which will help us to obtain grant money.
- We have not seen the framework for this yet and how or when the funding will become available. There will be meetings in the next three weeks to discuss funding for this initiative.

10. Annual Records Purge Report

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the annual records purge report for 2019 from Acting Inspector Jamie Hartnett. –  
CARRIED

11. Annual Street Checks and Observations Report

Moved by Les Kariunas  
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the Board receive the 2019 annual street checks and observations report from Chief Gilbert and Crime Analyst Brittany Wakefield. –  
CARRIED

Deputy Chief Farquharson informed the Board that our numbers for street checks are consistent with what other police services are experiencing.

Chief Gilbert said we are doing proactive policing but acting within the legislation. Our Members are engaging with the public in a professional manner.

12. 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Contract Policing Reports: Cavan Monaghan and Lakefield

a) Cavan Monaghan

Moved by Mark Graham  
Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the Board receive the fourth quarter policing report for Cavan Monaghan from Inspector Lyons. –  
CARRIED

b) Comments from Mayor McFadden

Nil

c) Lakefield

Moved by Les Kariunas  
Seconded by Bob Hall

That the Board receive the fourth quarter policing report for Lakefield from Inspector Lyons. –  
CARRIED

d) Comments from Councillor Locke

Nil

13. Cannabis Funding; Letters to Cavan Monaghan and Selwyn Townships

Moved by Bob Hall  
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Chair write to the County, Cavan Monaghan and Selwyn Townships requesting some of their cannabis funding. The report from Richard Freymond and Deputy Chief Farquharson, the addendum and the motion passed by City Council are to be included. –  
CARRIED

14. Peterborough Accessibility Advisory Committee

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the February 12<sup>th</sup> memo from Amanda Motyer, Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee, requesting that it be consulted on the new driving services bylaw including ride shares. –  
CARRIED

15. Peterborough Public Health

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the Board receive:

- The February 19<sup>th</sup> letter from Dr. Rosana Salvaterra, Medical Officer of Health, and Mayor Andy Mitchell, Chair of the Board of Health, seeking the Police Services Board's endorsement of their recommendations to the Minister of Health, Christine Elliott.
- The position paper with recommendations from the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health. –  
CARRIED

The Board was in favour of the Chair writing and endorsing the recommendations. The proposal was well thought out and we need to have local partners.

16. Safe Consumption Site

Moved by Bob Hall  
Seconded by Mark Graham

Whereas the Peterborough Police Services Board values activities that support healthy, vibrant and safe communities;

Whereas Peterborough is experiencing elevated rates for opioid related deaths and hospitalizations related to opioids affecting individuals, families and the overall community;

Whereas the Peterborough Police Services Board is a partner in the Peterborough Drug Strategy that takes a collaborative approach to dealing with issues and harms associated with substance use based on the four pillars of prevention, harm reduction, treatment and enforcement; and

Whereas the model of providing wrap-around services, including treatment and support services, in the same space as supervised consumption services reflects the principles of the Peterborough Drug Strategy's four pillars approach;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Peterborough Police Services Board endorses the wrap-around services model for consumption and treatment services sites as a way to support healthy, vibrant and safe communities dealing with opioid substance use. –  
CARRIED

Bob Hall handed this motion out and explained that he is being asked about the safe consumption site by members of the community. He spoke about the drug strategy and four pillars. We must ensure that the community's need is included in the site with wrap around services.

The Board felt that the province would not support a consumption site without wrap around services.

17. Conference Updates

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the following verbal updates:

- Bob Hall regarding the CAPG governance summit he attended on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Gary Baldwin and Niquel Pritchard Pataki regarding the PAO Labour Conference they attended March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. –  
CARRIED

Bob Hall:

- The summit was a smaller conference where much of the focus was on bargaining, trends, benefits etc.
- Presentations were excellent.

Gary Baldwin and Niquel Pritchard Pataki:

- Good conference with a variety of topics.
- The Doering decision is now the benchmark in policing regarding police dealing with intoxicated people.
- There were harassment case studies.
- Discussion about what is administrative vs. operational between Chiefs and Boards.
- Longer contracts appear to be the norm in collective bargaining which allows us to spread the cost over a longer period of time.

18. Dates for Board Training

The Chair explained that Jeeti Sahota, Chief Gilbert and Woody McKaig will do Board training for us. Three hours is most likely needed. The Chief will bring in Members of the Service as well.

The Executive Assistant will email the parties with potential dates.

19. Ratification and Adjournment

Moved by Les Kariunas  
Seconded by Mark Graham

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

Moved by Diane Therrien  
Seconded by Bob Hall

That the public meeting be adjourned. (8:13 PM) –  
CARRIED

Read and approved this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 2020.

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Niquel Pritchard Pataki, Executive Assistant

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Gary Baldwin, Chair