

Peterborough Police Services Board

May 12th 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. (4:01 PM)

2. Roll Call

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

Present in the Boardroom: Mark Graham, Vice Chair
Chief Gilbert
(Via teleconference) Deputy Chief Farquharson
Niquel Pritchard Pataki

3. Approval To Go In-Camera

Moved by Les Kariunas
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 6:24 PM.

Inspector Collins, Inspector Lyons, Acting Inspector Hartnett and President Chartier were also in attendance.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Bob Hall

Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the agenda of the Peterborough Police Services Board meeting of May 12th 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 Mark Graham

That the Minutes of the April 21st 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 thanked everyone for participating in Sgt. Sean Quinlan's retirement and vehicle parade. He explained that the flag is at half-mast due to the passing of Mr. Ted Farr who was a great police and Special Olympics supporter.

b) Chair's Remarks

Moved by Diane Therrien
Seconded by Bob Hall

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

The Chair thanked the Chief and all Members of the Service for their work during the challenges of COVID-19. He also thanked the Chief for flying the Nova Scotia flag at half-mast. It was noticed by members of the community. He asked about Police Week and how it was being handled this year due to the pandemic.

Chief Gilbert explained that things are being done over social media.

8. Delegations and Presentations:

Nil

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 information pertaining to the 90 day extension for security guards, private investigators, agencies and registered employers whose licenses expire between March 16th 2020 and June 16th 2020 and the enforcement provisions for police for violations of the **Private Security and Investigative Services Act**.

- ii) The theme for Police Week which takes place from May 10th to 16th: “Leading the Way to Safer Communities”.
- iii) The notification of the Emergency Order on price gouging, the referrals to police services for investigation and enforcement and the frequently asked questions.
- iv) The communication package regarding the guidance note from the Ontario Police Health and Safety Committee with respect to the role of Safety Officer as part of an Incident Management System.
- v) The information from the Ministry of the Attorney General regarding enhancements to the Victim Quick Response Program + during COVID 19.
- vi) The annual reporting requirement for police services and the Ministry regarding sections 25.1 to 25.4 of the **Criminal Code of Canada**.
- vii) The clarification on crime gun information, where data is to be sent and the criteria for a crime gun.
- viii) The weekly reporting requirement for police services to provide the Ministry with the number of police personnel who have been impacted by COVID-19.
- ix) The updates to various forms regarding Bill C-75.
- x) The communication regarding updates to the prosecution of **Provincial Offences Act** charges for violations of the emergency orders made under the **Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act** and frequently asked questions.
- xi) The information regarding the federal government’s ban on over 1,500 models of assault style firearms under the **Criminal Code of Canada**.
- xii) The updated COVID-19 screening guide for communications and dispatch.
- xiii) The communication from Dr. Dirk Huyer, Chief Coroner, regarding the province’s approach to managing the natural death surge during the pandemic.
- xiv) The notification that the province will be using the original white license plates and not proceeding with the blue ones that came out earlier this year.

b) Bell 9-1-1 Team

The information regarding the COVID-19 impacts to the NG9-1-1 production launch date and the revised time line for implementation. –
CARRIED

10. 1st Quarter Complaints Report

Moved by Diane Therrien
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the first quarter complaints report from A/Inspector Hartnett. –
CARRIED

11. 1st Quarter Non-Offence Calls for Service Report

Moved by Mark Graham
Seconded by Bob Hall

That the Board receive the first quarter non-offence calls for service report from Inspector Lyons. –
CARRIED

12. 1st Quarter Contract Policing Reports: Cavan Monaghan and Lakefield

a) Cavan Monaghan

Moved by Les Kariunas
Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the Board receive the 1st quarter policing report for Cavan Monaghan from Inspector Lyons. –
CARRIED

b) Comments from Mayor McFadden

Nil

c) Lakefield

Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the Board receive the 1st quarter policing report for Lakefield from Inspector Lyons. –
CARRIED

d) Comments from Councillor Locke

Nil

13. 1st Quarter Crime Statistics Report

Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the first quarter crime statistics report from Inspector Collins. –
CARRIED

Les Kariunas asked about the increase in break and enters near the Wellness Centre and are they related to the transition of the homeless shelters.

Inspector Collins explained that is not the sole reason for the increase. The courts are not holding people in custody and we are seeing many repeat offenders. There is a decrease in bail violations as judges are releasing people without conditions.

He added that frauds have also gone up as retailers are not verifying credit card information with the person either. These are trends across the province not just in Peterborough.

Deputy Chief Farquharson informed the Board that the Service is meeting with the City twice a week. He asked Sgt. Chartier to explain what the Area 3 Team is doing to prevent crime.

Sgt. Chartier said the Area 3 Team has handed out information to over 750 houses and officers are patrolling the area on bikes at night.

Inspector Collins also noted that the pandemic was really only in place for approximately the last two weeks of the quarterly report. Until the Crime Analyst is hired, we don't have an explanation for many of the other increases.

14. 2019 Internal Task Force Operations Report

Moved by Mark Graham
Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the Board receive the 2019 Internal Task Force Operations report from Inspector Collins. –
CARRIED

Mark Graham asked about the funding for the Hostile Unit Takeovers (HUTS) as the CMHA are seeing this occur on a more frequent basis especially now with COVID-19.

Inspector Collins said they are waiting to hear back about the funding.

15. 2019 Joint Forces Operations Report

Moved by Les Kariunas
Seconded by Bob Hall

That the Board receive the 2019 Joint Forces Operations report from Inspector Collins. –
CARRIED

16. Budget/Finance Committee

a) 1st Quarter Financial Report for the Service

Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the Board receive the first quarter financial report from Tia Nguyen, Finance Manager for the Service. –
CARRIED

Chief Gilbert said there have been additional expenses due to COVID-19. There will be a report to the Board at a future meeting.

b) Laptops for the Board

Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the report from the Executive Assistant regarding the cost of purchasing laptops for two Board Members and the anticipated extended delivery time be received. Further, that the Board authorize this expenditure in the estimated amount of \$2,900 (inclusive of HST) and that it come from the Board's incidentals account. –
CARRIED

The Executive Assistant explained that Peterborough Technology Services (PTS) is now using a different supplier. The price is about \$1,000 less than the original quote and delivery is much quicker.

17. Policy/Planning Committee

a) Accessing and Management of COVID-19 Status Information Policy

i) Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the information from the Ministry of the Solicitor General regarding the COVID-19 Risk Look-Up Tool Web Portal for the protection of personal health information and appropriate uses. –
CARRIED

ii) Moved by Diane Therrien
Seconded by Mark Graham

That the policy titled Accessing and Management of COVID-19 Status Information is hereby enacted by the Peterborough Police Services Board on this 12th day of May 2020 and shall take effect on this date. –
CARRIED

b) Update on the 2020-2023 Strategic Plan

Moved by Les Kariunas
Seconded by Diane Therrien

That the Board receive the revised strategies for the 2020-2023 Strategic Plan. –
CARRIED

Les Kariunas informed the Board that the Committee met on May 7th and reviewed the eight strategies in detail with the Chief and Deputy. At the end of the discussion, three of the strategies were removed leaving us with a total of five.

Gary Baldwin asked if this meeting fulfilled the requirement to review the objectives with the Chief.

Chief Gilbert said it did.

Diane Therrien said the Chief was very helpful and gave insight into what's important and what should be taken out.

Gary Baldwin asked about next steps.

The Executive Assistant explained that another meeting will be scheduled to decide what the Committee wants to see in the final document. Work will then begin on a draft for the Board to review. The language needs to be simple and easy to understand. O. Reg. 3/99 and the Board's Policy AI-001 dictate some of the items that must be included in the final document. The Board will be updated at the next meeting.

18. Cannabis Funding from the County, Selwyn and Cavan Monaghan

Moved by Diane Therrien
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the Board receive the responses from Cavan Monaghan, Peterborough County and Selwyn regarding the Board's request for a portion of their Ontario Cannabis Legalization Implementation Funding. –
CARRIED

Les Kariunas felt the responses were not reasonable.

Bob Hall was not surprised by the County's response and was hopeful that Cavan Monaghan would give the Service some of this funding in the near future. Selwyn should be giving the Service a portion of the funds as enforcement is a criteria.

19. Extension and Amendment to the Policing Contract with Cavan Monaghan

Moved by Mark Graham
Seconded by Bob Hall

That the Board receive the report and Amendment and Extension of the Agreement from Richard Freymond, Commissioner of Corporate and Legislative Services for the City. Further, that the Board authorize the Chair to sign the amended agreement once approved by City Council and Cavan Monaghan's Council barring any substantial changes. –
CARRIED

20. Ratification and Adjournment

Moved by Mark Graham
Seconded by Diane Therrien

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

Moved by Bob Hall
Seconded by Les Kariunas

That the public meeting be adjourned. (7:41 PM) –
CARRIED

Read and approved this 2nd day of June 2020.

Niquel Pritchard Pataki, Executive Assistant

Gary Baldwin, Chair