

MINUTES
CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
(REGULAR)

Boardroom
Chatham-Kent Police Headquarters

March 18, 2014
Time: 11:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

Motion #

Mrs. Pat Bélanger, Chair
Mrs. Diane Daly, Vice Chair
Mayor Randy Hope
Councillor Art Stirling
Mr. Uly Bondy
Mrs. Kathryn Biondi
Chief Dennis Poole
Deputy Chief Gary Conn
Mr. Gary Weir, Administrative Assistant

1. Call to Order

2. a) Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None declared

b) Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mayor Hope

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.”

Carried

c) Approval of Minutes of February 11, 2014

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mayor Hope

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2014.”

Carried

At this point the Chair introduced the new Board Member, Mrs. Kathryn Biondi. Mrs. Biondi will replace long-serving Board member Mr. Uly Bondy. Mrs. Biondi is recently retired from the Ontario Public Service where she held various executive positions, including Director of Centralia and Ridgeway Colleges, Director of Agri-food Continuing Education at the University of Guelph, Director of the Ontario Correctional Services College, and Director of Management and Operational Support

for the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Home Economics and Master's degree in Education.

Over her 38 year career, Ms. Biondi has developed a strong understanding of government process and leadership responsibilities. She is past Chair of the Chatham-Kent Community Strategic Planning Committee, a member of the United Way Women's Leadership Council, and Chaired the Blenheim United Way local campaign in 2011. She joined the Board of the Erie St. Clair Community Care Access Centre in 2011 and assumed the position of Chair of the Board in 2013.

Chair Bélanger then called Mr. Bondy forward to recognize his long standing service to the Board. She advised that Mr. Bondy was appointed in 2005 and held the positions of Vice-Chair and Chair of the Board during his tenure on the Board. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards, representing Zone 6 for the last number of years. She said that it has been a pleasure to work with Mr. Bondy. There is no one more dedicated to the Police Service Board and Police Services in Ontario than Mr. Bondy. We have had some good times but also many challenges throughout the years. Mr. Bondy will be missed.

The Chair presented Mr. Bondy with a plaque on behalf of the Board.

Mr. Bondy commented that during his nine years as a board member there have been major changes and Chief Poole is the second Chief he has worked with. He said that as a Board Member he is extremely proud of what has been accomplished and very proud of our Police Force.

The Mayor commented that It has been a pleasure for the last seven years serving on the Board along with Uly he extended his thanks to Mr. Bondy for the contribution he has made to this Board. We have made major gains in this organization both from the front line officers to the executive to the Commission that serves this Police Force. He said that it was not an easy road. We had to blend in an organization that would work together with the Board making sure that the Associations worked in collaboration with the Board in building a better Police Force in Chatham Kent. Mr. Bondy has been instrumental in making sure we foster relationships but also at the same time in our own organization he has been leading the Province in an overall strategy to deal with a number of issues, that not only Chatham Kent faces but a number of communities face. He has dedicated his time and efforts to making sure to serve both the Association and the front line officers but also the community as a whole. He is proud to have been sitting on this Board with Uly for the last seven years.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Bondy and his family for the personal time and commitment he has made to this organization, most importantly to foster and build a stronger organization that we have today. We can be proud of the accomplishments that Mr. Bondy has achieved by making those relationships work.

3. **Health and Safety Report**

None to report

4. **Reports from Chief of Police:**

4.1 Resignation

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESIGNATION OF PT EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR SUSAN BRADY-HOWARD EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 22, 2014.”

#1463

Carried

4.2 Board Citation – Bravery and Good Samaritans – Suicide Attempt at Lacroix St. Bridge

Chief Poole introduced Mr. Kevin Antic, Mr. Stafford Johnston and Mr. Paul McGoanigle who were responsible in rendering assistance during a suicide attempt at Lacroix St. Bridge.

As a result of their quick actions and ingenious thinking, these three gentlemen clearly saved the life of this individual.

Mr. Antic, Johnston and McGoanigle were presented Board Citations by Board Chair Mrs. Bélanger.

Chief Poole commented that we talk about community policing and how we as the police can't do things without citizen involvement, and this is a prime example of the recognition we like to give out on these types of occasion. The Police can't be everywhere at all times and notwithstanding there were 911 calls things could have happened within a matter of seconds, but these gentlemen saw a fellow citizen in distress and they immediately stopped to help. This is community policing at its best.

4.3 Pilot Project on E-911 Abandoned Calls

Chief Poole advised that this is scheduled to come into effect later in 2014, they would like to enter into a pilot project that will allow the Com Centre to look at intercepting calls that are in the system for longer than 3 seconds.

This project will allow the opportunity to study how our operations work and to determine our capacity to be able to utilize this service and deal with these calls by the end of 2014.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Biondi

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND AUTHORIZE THE PROJECT.”

#1464

Carried.

5. **Reports from Deputy Chief**

5.1 **Administrative Support Branch 2013 Annual Report**
(including Public Complaints/Internal Affairs, Training, Use of Force, P.I.O.)

Deputy Chief Conn advised that there are reports from the Administrative “Support Branch and Operational Support Branch and the Court Services.

All the managers and supervisors who oversee the specialty units within these Branches were present.

Staff Sergeant Rose Kucharuk provided a brief overview of the Corporate Services Section of the report. The Section reports to the Administrative Support Branch, which includes a Staff Sergeant, Two Sergeants one being an investigator and one a training Sergeant and Cst. Renee Cowell as the Public Information Officer. The responsibilities of this particular section includes,

Public Complaints and Internal Affairs
Officer Recruitment
Policy Development
Risk Management
Training and Professional Development
Corporate Communications

The Mayor commented that this was an excellent report .

Moved by Mrs. Biondi and seconded by Mrs. Daly

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT DATED MARCH 13, 2014.”

#1465

Carried

Public Information Section

Cst. Renee Cowell presented a brief report on Public Information Section.

Cst. Cowell advised that it is her responsibility for developing, implementing, promoting and maintaining a positive CK Police Service image as well as strengthening partnerships and keeping the community informed.

Cst. Cowell is also very much involved with presentations at St. Clair College, Children's Safety Village, various schools and working with the Junior Achievement Program in Chatham-Kent.

5.1 A Court Services Section 2013 Annual Report

Cst. Jason Chickowski advised he is currently Acting Manager of the Records Management Section. He was assigned to Court Service in 2012 and 2013, and was recently replaced by Staff Sergeant Barry Childs.

He reviewed the 2013 Court Services Annual Report with the Board. C-K Police is responsible for security and operational issues at three Court locations, Grand Avenue, Criminal Court Superior Court, Provincial Offence and WASH Court which we host from this building.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT."

#1466

Carried

The Chief commented that he would like to recognize Staff Sergeant Barry Childs. He has been an integral part of the EBrief Project and the blackberry project. He said that he has been an integral part of this whole process, and now he has inherited the Court Services Management portfolio.

5.2 Operational Support Branch 2014 Annual Report (including Investigative Services – Forensic Ident, Intelligence, Major Crimes and Patrol)

This Branch is overseen by Inspector Littlewood. There are numerous specialty units within this Branch.

Sergeant Gabe Tetrault and Steve Hubley were present to provide the Board with an overview of the Operational Support Branch.

This Branch includes the Investigative Support Services and Patrol Support Section.

Intel Section, Biker Enforcement, Drugs and Street Crimes:

This section was formerly overseen by Staff Sergeant Kirk Early and currently Sergeant Steve Misik now oversees this Section.

Sergeant Misik advised that he took over the Section officially in December. He provided the Board with a brief overview of the report.

Portfolio under this Section include Intelligence, Drugs, Street Crime, Biker Enforcement Unit, Crime Analysis and Asset Forfeiture.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT.”

#1467

Carried.

Patrol Support – Traffic Unit, Marine, Auxiliary & Canine Unit

This Section is overseen by Sergeant Mike Donomy, who also oversees the Auxiliary, Marine and Canine Units.

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Biondi,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE 2014 OPERATIONAL SUPPORT BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT.”

#1468

Carried

Major Crime Report:

Detective Greg Cranston presented the report on this Section.

This Section investigates Abductions, Arsons, Assaults, B&E's, Impaired, Indecent Acts, Mischiefs, Robbery, Sexual Assault, Stolen Vehicles, Thefts and Weapons.

The Chief commented that he is pleased to see that the overall crime rate has fallen and in 2013 we had a very good year compared to 2011-2012. We hope this trend continues and there is much to be said about our Crime Prevention Board and a lot of our other civilian partners.

6. **Acknowledgement Letters**

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE.”

Carried.

7. **Consent Agenda:**

- a) Copy of correspondence to Chatham-Kent Victim Services re: second installment of the 2013 financial commitment.
- b) Correspondence from the Police Retirees of Ontario Incorporated re: the distribution of "Hero Bears".
- c) Invoice from Tamara McAllister for professional services in the amount of \$5,085.00
- d) Fentanyl Patch Return Protocol Discussion, Thurs., April 3rd at 6:30 P.M. , Chatham-Kent Health Alliance FMU Auditorium

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

"MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A, B, C, AND D."

#1469

Carried.

8. **Notification re: 2014 Spring Conference, Section 10 Seminar & Annual General Meeting**

Those interested in attending the Conference were asked to advise Chief Poole.

Deputy Chief Conn reminded the Board that the OAPSB Zone 6 meeting will be held on April 9th in Sarnia.

9. **Correspondence from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services re: 2013/14 Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (RIDE) Grant Program Contractual Agreement**

10. **Correspondence from Ontario Provincial Police re: Framework Agreements for Services with the Ontario Provincial Police**

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Mayor Hope,

"MOTION TO RECEIVE ITEMS 9, 10 AND 11."

#1470

Carried

11. **Memo from Ministry Community and Correctional Services re: Ontario Crime Prevention Strategy – Update**

12. **Non-Agenda Items**

12.1 **Green Ribbon Campaign**

The Chief mentioned the upcoming Green Ribbon Campaign to take place in the month of April.

13. **Date and time of next meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for **April 15, 2014 at 10:30 A.M.**

1.4 **Adjournment**

Moved by Mrs. Daly

“MOTION TO ADJOURN.”

Time: 12:45 P. M.

Pat Bélanger, Chair
Chatham-Kent Police Services Board