

MINUTES
CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
(REGULAR)

Boardroom

February 14, 2017

Chatham-Kent Police Headquarters

Time: 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT:

Motion #

Mrs. Diane Daly, Chair
Mr. Pat Weaver, Vice Chair
Mayor Randy Hope
Councillor Bryon Fluker
Mrs. Kathryn Biondi
Chief Gary Conn

ABSENT:

Deputy Chief Littlewood

1. **Call to Order**

Welcome everyone and Guests

2. a) **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

None declared

b) **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA”

#2347

Carried

c) **Approval of Minutes of January 17, 2017**

Moved by Kathryn Biondi and seconded by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2017”

#2348

Carried

3. **Business Arising from Previous Minutes:** None

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

4.1 Reconciliation of Board Auction Account-4th Quarter

The Chief presented the breakdown of the Police Services Board 4th Quarter Auction Account, from October 1, 2016 to December 31st, 2016 as prepared by EA, Emily Murphy.

The Auction Account balance as of December 31st, 2016 was \$7,076.99

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Mayor Hope
"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION"

#2349

Carried

4.2 Reconciliation of Board Auction Account-2016

The Chief presented the Reconciliation Report of the Board Auction Account for 2016, as prepared by EA, Emily Murphy. The Auction Account balance as of December 31st, 2016 was \$7,076.99. The Year End Report lists a numbers of deductions/donations made on behalf of the Police Services Board. The Board receives requests for donations from various non-profit organizations and fund-raising events such as Shop with a Cop, Big Brother, Big Sisters, Crime Stoppers, Special Olympics Torch Ride and Walk a Mile In Her Shoes just to name a few. The donations are paid from the Auction Account. In 2016 the Police Service Board moved forward with an "on line" auction conducted by Police Auctions Canada Inc. This new system is working well and has eliminated the manpower and the expenses associated with hosting/conducting an auction.

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Mayor Hope
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Carried

4.3 ATV Final Report

The Chief presented the final quarterly-year-end report which captured the ATV activity within the Municipality of Chatham-Kent from March 7th, 2016 to February 7, 2017. The Chief reviewed the Criminal Code Charges and the seven Incident statistics and the fact there was a 43% increase in calls relating to ATV's. The majority related to property damage and noise complaints by area residents. The Municipality of Chatham-Kent Council voted not to pass the Off-Road Vehicles (ORV) By-Law but subsequently on December 7, 2015 passed a motion directing that administration bring back a new ORV By-law with changes. The ORV's are designed for off-road and not urban or sometimes rural downtown areas. Chatham-Kent Police Services will continue to actively enforce the applicable By-Law and relative statutes as well as educate our community through interaction, social media and by working in collaboration with local riding groups/enthusiast such as the Chatham ATV Club. The Chatham-Kent Police Service recommendation is that the Municipality of Chatham-Kent Council not proceed with the By-Laws as previously presented, but amend the By-law based on the information provided in the Chief's report outlining his recommendations and his presentation to Council regarding this matter.

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Pat Weaver
"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND REQUEST THAT A MEETING TAKE PLACE BETWEEN THE ATV CLUB AND THE CHIEF AND/OR DESIGNATE TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL REGARDING THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BY-LAW"

#2351

Carried

5. **Reports from Deputy Chief:**

5.1 2016 Investigative Support Annual Report

Inspector Ed Reed was the Operational Support Branch Commander in 2016 and was responsible for the administration of the Investigation Support Section.

Staff Sergeant Keith Myers oversees the Investigative Support Section, Sergeant Steve Klootra is directly responsible for supervising the Internet Child Exploitation Unit, Digital Forensics Unit and the Sex Offender Registry.

Internet Child Exploitation Unit

Sergeant Gary Oriet presented the report:

Chatham-Kent Police Services has been a part of the Ontario Provincial Strategy to combat Internet crimes against children since 2014. Our community is not immune from this threat to our children and youth. The digital age has allowed for predators to virtually enter our home and connect with our kids. There were a total of 101 internet child investigations for the year 2016.

Sergeant Gary Oriet further highlighted the statistics regarding the investigations conducted in 2016.

Sex Offender Registry

Sergeant Gary Oriet presented the report:

The Ontario Sex Offender Registry is a provincial registration system for sex offenders who have been released into the community. These offenders must report to police every year. During the registration process, the police enter information about these individuals into a database. The Ontario Sex Offender Registry send information about offenders to the National Sex Offenders Registry. Federal legislation requires all provinces to send sex offender information to the national database. Members of the public do not have access to the registry/database, however in 2008 new legislation made it possible for media to enquire as to the number of non-compliant offenders and the total number of offenders that are registered in the agencies registry. It is a database that provides police services with important information that improves their ability to investigate sex-related crimes as well as other crimes and further monitor and locate convicted sex offenders in the community.

Currently the Chatham-Kent police Service has **222** Male Sex Offenders registered on the Ontario Sex Offender Registry and no female offenders.

During 2016 seven offenders were arrested and charged for not complying with their obligations as per the Sex Offender Information Registration Act and Christopher's Law Act.

Digital Forensics Unit (DFU)

Constable Anthony Fasullo presented the report:

DFU supported a wide array of investigations where technology was used in the commission of offence or where the electronic device examination assisted the Investigating Officer with the investigation. Constable Anthony Fasullo highlighted the different types of occurrences that DFU assisted through their investigations. During 2016 the DFU examined 209 electronic devices either by way of judicial authorization or by way of consent form the owner of the device. This was an increase from the 183 devices examined in the previous year.

THE DFU Officer also participated in delivering In-service training this year to all of CKPS's sworn officers. Officers were given a brief overview of the DFU's capabilities when it comes to examining electronic devices. The officers were also provided best practice guidelines on how to properly seize and secure electronic devices for examination.

It is expected that technology will continue to play an important part in many investigative incidents. As technology continues to advance, so will the need to have the Digital Forensic Officers properly trained in its advancements.

Vice-Chair Pat Weaver asked if there is a possibly to increase the man power in the specialty units. The Chief commented that the Business Plan will be coming forward before the Board covering the time frame from 2018-2020. A survey will be conducted and the material will be fully reviewed which will include all specialty units and at that point it will be determined where to disturb the resources/staff based on the over-all Business Plan.

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Councillor Fluker
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Carried

5.2 Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) - Annual Report

Sergeant Matt Stezycki presented the 2016 Annual Report of the CKPS Critical Incident Team.

The Chatham-Kent Kent Police Critical Response Team consists of 1 Sergeant, 2 Team Leaders and 10 Constables, CIRT team members are a highly trained and specialized unit that are primary responders to calls such as but not limited to:

- High risk weapon calls
- K9 tracks
- High risk drug warrants
- Search and Rescue

These officers are an integral part of a Community Patrol Team and are the ones that are called when risk to life and property is at its greatest.

The Report gave a complete overview of the activities and successes of the Critical Indicate Response Team together with their focus/goals for 2017.

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Councillor Fluker
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#2353

Carried

5.3 Patrol Support Annual Report

Acting Sergeant Doug Cowell presented the Patrol Support Annual Report

The Patrol Support Section is tasked with dealing with issues relating to road and waterway enforcement, investigation, safety, educational initiatives as well as coordination and management of our Auxiliary Unit.

The section is responsible for the following units:

- Traffic Management
- Marine
- K9
- Auxiliary Unit

The Report gave an extensive overview of the Patrol Support Unit and detailed various statistics regarding: Collision and Investigative Stats, Serious Injury and Fatal Stats, Call Out Stats, Motor Vehicle Collisions, R.I.D.E Program and Spot Checks and highlighted the Officers Accomplishments and Courses. Acting Sergeant Doug Cowell further highlighted the goals for 2017.

The Report further highlighted the Auxiliary Unit and the Marine Unit.

Auxiliary members represent a group of unpaid volunteers who are trained to assist and supplement the Chatham-Kent Police for special events and attend in ride-along capacity with our members to provide additional assist as requested in that capacity. This 22 person unit assists the Chatham-Kent Police and the community, in providing traffic control, along with foot patrol/security at special events held within the Community.

The Marine Unit provides coverage and patrol within the in-land waters and marinas of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent. These patrols are centered on vessel inspections related to appropriate equipment and detection of alcohol use while boating.

The Mayor raised the question of students or auxiliary members being utilized as manpower for the Marine Unit during the summer season and complimented the Unit on their services of water security for the Grassy 2 Rocks Events.

The Chief commented that our auxiliary members will be increased hopefully by 10 members to assist the Marine Unit and Special Events. The Marine Unit may be expanded in connection with the Canadian Coast Guard however due to the nature of risk Students have not been utilized for the Marine Unit.

K9Unit- presented by Constable Rick Bertok

-Constable Rick Bertok and Arry (Canine) who is 5 years old this year have been involved in the search and recovery of drugs and money. Arry is trained to track and search for drugs and weapons. There were 134 canine related calls in 2016. These calls were for a variety of reasons such as missing persons, property offences and assisting with the execution of search warrants.

Moved by Kathryn Biondi and seconded by Councillor Fluker
"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION"

#2354

Carried

5.4 Chatham-Kent Motor Vehicle Collisions January to December, 2016

Acting Sergeant Doug Cowell presented the Chatham-Kent Motor Vehicle Collisions Report covering the period of January to December, 2016.

The Collision Reporting Centre (CRC) is located in the Chatham-Kent Police Service Headquarters building and has been in existence since January 2011. The CRC offers a customer service oriented approach to collision reporting.

The CRC is a great benefit to citizens involved in collisions and it is also a great benefit to the Chatham-Kent Police Service as we are able to gather extensive statistics/data to help analyze collision trends. With the use of this information, initiatives can be developed to assist with reducing collisions. Initiatives include such things as active patrols, targeted enforcement and **Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (R.I.D.E.)** programs.

The Report gave an extensive overview of the Collision Reporting Centre and detailed the various statistics regarding Collision Statistics, the types of Collisions involving Alcohol/Drugs, Pedestrians and Cyclists. He further explained how the data collected assists with the focus on education or enforcement to target specific offenders can be designed.

The Chatham-Kent Police Service makes good use of the social media to deliver their message on road safety, providing statistical information as well as bringing attention to peak times and locations or motor vehicle collisions.

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Mayor Hope
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Carried

6. **Acknowledgement Letters:**

TABLED/MOVED TO NEXT MONTH

7. **Consent Agenda:** None

8. **Non-agenda items:**

9. **Date and time of next meeting (tentatively scheduled for March 21st, 2017)**

The date and time of the next regular meeting is scheduled for March 21st, 2017 at 10:30 A.M.

Board Resolution re: Next Closed Session Meeting:

THE BOARD WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS MATTERS THAT IT IS OF THE OPINION FALLS UNDER SECTION 35 (A) OR (B) OF THE POLICE SERVICES ACT.

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Councillor Fluker

**“MOTION THAT THE NEXT CLOSED SESSION MEETING WILL BE HELD TUESDAY,
March 21st, 2017.**

#2356

Carried

10. **Adjournment**
Moved by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO ADJOURN”

Carried

Time: 11:29 a.m.

Diane Daly, Chair
Chatham-Kent Police Services