

MINUTES
CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
(REGULAR)

Boardroom

September 12, 2017

Chatham-Kent Police Headquarters

Time: 10:30 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
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"

#2407

Carried

c) **Approval of Minutes of June 27, 2017**

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Mayor Hope
"MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 27, 2017"

#2408

Carried

d) **Approval of Special Electronic Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2017**

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Kathryn Biondi
"MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 1, 2017"

#2409

Carried

3. **Business Arising from Previous Minutes:**

-Policy Wording-Auction Account-Amendment required "Unclaimed Property"
See updated Procedures Section D8-Unclaimed Property-Attached

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Kathryn Biondi

"MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AMENDED PROCEDURES"

#2410

Carried

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

The Chief has requested that he present Report #4.6 first and he will present the rest of the reports accordingly.

4.1 **Purchase of Narcan Nasal Spray**

The Chief presented the report regarding the purchase of Narcan Nasal Spray kits.

The potentially deadly drug fentanyl continues to be a concern for police officers especially those working as first responders within our community. With the increased prevalence of fentanyl, fentanyl analogues and synthetic opioid powders on our streets, there is a very real danger of exposure.

Therefore issuing our frontline Officers and Specialty Units with these potentially lifesaving kits is the common sense approach to ensure the safety of those we serve and our officers. The kits will be accessible if officers become exposed to fentanyl while on duty, or if they need to use it on a member of the public.

The initial purchase of 166 Narcan Nasal Spray kits comes at a cost of \$8,217.00 and the supplier has also agreed to provide 15 Narcan nasal spray reusable demo kits for training purposes at no costs. The funds required for this project will come from our Police Mandatory Issues Reserve. Training and Issuing of the Narcan spray will be conducted at our In-Service Training days scheduled later this month.

Budget wise if the provincial government does not provide future funding then we will ensure lifecycle costs are anticipated for continuous maintenance of the antidote kits.

The Board is extremely pleased that the force is being proactive in purchasing the kits. The Chief advised that Barrie, Waterloo and the OPP presently have the kits and to date Toronto is looking at issuing the kits to their officers.

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Pat Weaver

"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF NARCAN NASAL SPRAY KITS"

#2411

Carried

4.2 **Reconciliation of Board Auction Account-2nd Quarter**

The Chief presented the report regarding the Reconciliation of Board Auction Account-2nd Quarter

The Auction Account Balance as of June 30, 2017 was \$4,246.84

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Pat Weaver

"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT"

#2412

Carried

4.3 **Crime Severity Index Report 2016**

The Chief presented the full report regarding the Crime Severity Index Report 2016 (CSI).

The CSI measures the volume and severity of police-reported crimes. From 2015-2016 all offences for Chatham-Kent which encapsulates Property Crimes, Person Crimes and Traffic we seen a total increase

of approximately 3%. This resulted in an overall 6.2% in comparison last year. Our Statistics reflect that most offences were down.

The Chief highlighted various increases or decreases provincially and how Chatham-Kent ranked 20th out of 50 Police Services and in non-violent crimes, 24th overall and 44th for violent crimes placing us near the bottom in respect to violent crimes, our efforts our proceeding in the eight direction. The non-violent crimes include break-ins and theft. The Chief noted this has always been our Achilles heel. Many of the break-ins are committed by chronic offenders, who return to their old habits after being released from jail. Nearly half of break-ins occur in detached sheds or garages and 90% of the time the structures are unlocked. These types of criminals look for crimes of opportunity and there are on occasions of criminals from other municipalities attending Chatham-Kent to steal items and returning to their home communities to fence the property. It important to raise awareness on the matter among the public. The Chief urges citizens to keep things locked up and out of sight and that by informing the community of this issue, and engaging our citizens in reporting suspicious activities/persons in their neighbourhoods, this will assist us in interdicting these criminals. This issue remains a concern and is still one of our top priorities for the foreseeable future and our STOP initiative. **STOP-Strategic Target of Property Crime.**

Mayor Hope raised the issue given the large geographical area in Chatham-Kent that the police have to cover, the crimes would decrease if the residents used common sense and just locked up their sheds and garages.

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Councillor Fluker

“MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES”

#2413

Carried

4.4 MDT/MPS-Mobile Data Terminal Final Report-Pilot Project

The Chief presented the report regarding MDT/MPS-Mobile Data Terminal Final Report-Pilot Project The Chatham-Kent Police Services has been testing the Mobile data Terminal (MDT) and Mobile For Public Safety (MPS) equipment, to determine its viability for the organization and the community. The terminals utilize a secure cellular technology to provide instant communication and resources between the patrol vehicle and the Municipality and the Police Network Servers. The MDT's allows the officers to access databases virtually creating a mobile workstation. Over the last two months the CKPS conducted a pilot project on the viability of the software. The pilot project provided significant feedback, many officer felt the software allowed them to work with more autonomy allowing them to generate incidents, query individuals and vehicles more freely, creating a more engaged and positive work environment. The software has proven to be a vital piece of technology in moving the organization forward.

The costs associated will cover 40 software licenses, this will outfit our entire front line fleet as well as our Command Post, traffic Section, Police Dog services, HELP Team, Mobile Crisis Team and Crime Prevention Section. The one-time fee will be \$139,230.00 (40 licenses) and the yearly fee will be \$38,257.34. The cost also include the necessary infrastructure needed for the technological foundation to support and expand this software to the identified fleet vehicles. The Costs will be funded through the Fleet Reserve.

If approved service wide implementation and training will commence at the end of September and continue to the beginning of the New Year with all vehicles and officers trained by March of 2018.

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Councillor Fluker

“MOTION TO AUTHORIZE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAM WITH COSTS TO BE FUNDED THROUGH FLEET RESERVE”

#2414

Carried

4.5 2017 Contract Renewal- St. Clair College

The Chief presented the report regarding 2017 Contract Renewal- St. Clair College.

We currently lease space at the Health Plex which consists of a small meeting room, 3 offices as well as agreed upon hours of usage for the gymnasium, a large classroom and aerobic room. The previously negotiated service agreement was \$27,500 per year plus HST. Several meetings were arranged between the parties to come to a mutually beneficial price adjustment in order to meet the ever growing need to be fiscally responsible. Both sides agreed that \$17,975.00 per year plus HST was a cost more in-line with the space to be utilized. The operating costs will come from the current approved training budget. The re-deployment of both the Training Unit and the Community Mobilization Unit places our organization in a state of the art facility with constant connection to our youth and potential future officers and leaders within the Municipality. This is a relationship we look forward to growing for years to come.

Great savings and a great partnership!

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CKPS AND ST. CLAIR COLLEGE/HEALTH PLEX AT THE COST OF \$17,975.00 PER YEAR PLUS HST”

#2415

Carried

4.6 Reclassification, Promotion, Resignations and Auxiliary Appointments

The Chief presented the report regarding Reclassification, Promotions, Resignations and Auxiliary Appointments.

The Chief gave a detailed bio of Constable Brent Milne. The Chief congratulated him and presented Constable Brent Milne with his promotion to Sergeant and presented him with his badge and warrant card. His family was present for the presentation.

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Kathryn Biondi

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RECLASSIFICATION AND PROMOTIONS:

-THAT CONSTABLE KYLE BLOMMERS BE RECLASSIFIED TO FIRST CLASS CONSTABLE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 21, 2017

-THAT CONSTABLE DOUG LITTLEWOOD BE RECLASSIFIED TO FIRST CLASS CONSTABLE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 21, 2017

-THAT CONSTABLE ANDREW CRAVEN BE RECLASSIFIED TO THIRD CLASS CONSTABLE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 4, 2017

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- THAT CONSTABLE RYAN GARDINER BE REECLASSIFIED TO THIRD CLASS CONSTABLE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 4, 2017
 - THAT CADETS: KYLE WRIGHT, DANICA QUENNEVILLE AND TREVOR BISKEY BE PROMOTED TO FOURTH CLASS CONSTABLES EFFECTIVE AUGUST 10, 2017
 - THAT CADET DESTINY PAILEY BE PROMOTED TO FOURTH CLASS CONSTABLE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 15, 2017
 - THAT CONSTABLE BRENT MILNE BE PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2017"
 - TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF RMS COORDINATOR, JULIE PETERS EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 14, 2017
 - TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ECO, JENNIFER JOHNSON EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2017
 - THAT EMILY HINDS, MAXWELL ALLIN, CURTIS CONN, NOEL LOYSON, ASHLEY HOPE AND MARK WEEDON BE SWORN IN AS AUXILLARY MEMBER.

#2416

Carried

5. **Reports from Deputy Chief:** None

6. **Acknowledgement Letters:**

- 6.1 Thank You letter dated June 14, 2017 from WDSS Tinman Triathlon Chairman Nancy Schinkelshoek and the Tinman Team
- 6.2 Thank you letter and Donation Receipt #9756 dated August 14, 2017 from Karen Hunter, executive Director for the Chatham-Kent's Woman's Centre for the contribution to the Walk A Mile In Her Shoes event held on June 3, 2017

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Councillor Fluker

"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTERS IN ITEMS #6.1 AND #6.2"

#2417

Carried

7. **Consent Agenda:**

- 7.1 Taking to the Skies-Article from The Daily News by Trevor Terfloth relating to the demonstration of what the Chatham-Kent Aeryon Sky Ranger drone and the team of four Chatham-Kent police drone operators can do.
- 7.2 Copy of correspondence dated July 5, 2017 congratulating Mrs. Robin Iles on her retirement and her many years of dedication to the Chatham-Kent Police services with over 38 years of service effective January 19, 2018.

Moved Mayor Hope and seconded by Kathryn Biondi

"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE CONSENT AGENDA IN ITEMS #7.1 AND #7.2"

#2418

Carried

The Chief advised that two of our officers will be doing a presentation at the upcoming OAPC Zone 6 Meeting being held this October on the Operation of the Drone.

8. **Non-agenda items:**

The Mayor raised the issue with speeders on roads in relation to the non-violent crimes and issues in the Wallaceburg, Kent Bridge Road, Charring Cross and Wheatley areas. In some cases, people are doing 30, 40 kilometers over the speed limit. It is important that we listen to the citizens regarding their safety concerns.

The Chief advised the CKPS have stepped up enforcements from the safety concerns raised by the general public and certainly from the Mayor's office as well. In the Charring Cross area, enforcement has been stepped up in the areas. In regards to the cross over in Wallaceburg, the traffic unit attended a couple of days to assist the children using the cross over.

Going forward, with school in session you will see more of a presence in the Wallaceburg Area and throughout Chatham-Kent. Enforcement is only one step, but also through education and broadcasts that will be posted by our communications officer and on our website to assist regarding safety issues. The Mayor suggested a Photo Rader could be posted and installed around school zones. Children are our most precious assets and the only way a message is delivered is through enforcement and the possibly of photo radar. The Chief further commented for the CKPS to consider the matter further, we would need to look into the full costs and what the municipality can and can't do. The issue was only discussed, with no specific action/motion taken by the board.

9. **Date and time of next meeting (tentatively scheduled for September 12, 2017)**

The date and time of the next regular meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2017 at 10:30 A.M.

Moved Councillor Fluker and seconded by Pat Weaver

"MOTION THAT OUR CLOSED MEETING START AT 8:30 AM TO 10:00 AM AND THAT OUR REGULAR SESSIONS HAVE A START TIME AT 10:00 AM"

#2419

Carried

Board Resolution re: Next Closed Session Meeting-MOTION

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 AND THAT THE NEXT CLOSED SESSION MEETING WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2017.

Moved Mayor Hope and seconded by Pat Weaver

#2420

Carried

10. **Adjournment**

Moved by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO ADJOURN”

Carried

Time: 11:28 a.m.

Diane Daly, Chair
Chatham-Kent Police Services