

MINUTES
CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
(REGULAR)

Council Chambers
Civic Centre

December 20, 2011
Time: 10:15 A.M.

PRESENT:

Motion

Mrs. Pat Bélanger, Chair
Mr. Uly Bondy, Vice Chair
Mayor Randy Hope
Councillor Art Stirling
Mrs. Diane Daly
Chief Dennis Poole
Deputy Chief Clare Wiersma
Mr. Gary Weir, Administrative Asst.

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

None declared.

3. **Approval of Minutes of November 8, 2011**

Moved by Mr. Bondy and seconded by Councillor Stirling

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 8, 2011.”

Carried.

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

4.1 **Promotion/Reclassification/Retirement**

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mr. Bondy

**“MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING
PROMOTION/RECLASSIFICATION/RETIREMENT,**

Promotion

- **Cadet Shawn Hoskins to Fourth Class Cst. effective December 6/11**

Reclassification

- **Cst. Rich Kwon to First Class Cst. effective December 8/11**

Retirement

- **Chief Poole announced the retirement of Deputy Chief Wiersma effective April 30/12**

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mr. Bondy

**“MOTION TO APPROVE THE ABOVE
PROMOTION/RECLASSIFICATION/RETIREMENT”**

#1206

Carried.

Mr. Bondy requested that a congratulatory letter be sent to Cst. Kwon on his promotion.

Chair Bélanger commented that Deputy Chief Wiersma will be missed and wished him a healthy and happy retirement.

4.2 Presentation to Mr. Al Devillaer

Board citations were awarded to Fire Chief Bob Crawford and Municipal Emergency Management Co-ordinator Al DeVillaer for the successful conclusion of a one year Interdisciplinary secondment project which involved the transfer of Insp. Ed Reed to the Fire Department to assume the duties of emergency management and EMS contract administrator and the transfer of Al DeVillaer to the Police Department for his project management skills on the Blackberry pilot project and the e-brief pilot.

Chief Crawford thanked the Board for this very unique opportunity and the experiences gained by both the municipality and the Board.

4.3 Collision Statistics – Ontario Safe Driving Study

Chief Poole advised that under the Ontario Safe Driving Study commissioned by the All State Insurance Company, Chatham-Kent came in third as the safest driving community in Ontario, based on the number of collision claims from 2009 to 2011.

Moved by Mr. Bondy and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION.”

#1207

Carried.

4.4 Purchase of 2011 Dodge Charger from D & R Electronics Company

Moved by Mr. Bondy and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2011 FULLY EQUIPPED BLACK DODGE CHARGER (DEMONSTRATOR) FROM D & R ELECTRONICS COMPANY FOR \$27,000.00 PLUS TAX.”

#1208

Carried.

4.5 2012 Budget

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION.”

#1209

Carried.

4.6 Business Plan Public Survey results

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND UTILIZE THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY IN THE DRAFT BUSINESS PLAN.”

#1210

Carried.

5. **Reports from Deputy Chief:**

5.1 **Board Citation - Becky Elgie for Contribution to HELP MCT**

Deputy Chief Wiersma introduced Ms. Becky Elgie and spoke of her involvement and contributions to the success of the HELP Mobile Crisis Team. Ms. Elgie has also assisted significantly with the initial implementation and ongoing development of the HELP Team Program.

Ms. Elgie has recently been promoted to the position of Clinical Manager of the CKHA Mental Health and Addictions Program and therefore will no longer be teamed up with our officers on the Mobile Crisis Team. Becky may have moved on to a new position, but we know that she still has a heart for our HELP Team partnership.

Becky was commended for her valued contribution to the HELP Mobile Crisis Team and was given a Board citation.

5.1.1 **HELP Mobile Crisis Team wins CKHA Award for Excellence**

On November 25, 2011 the HELP Mobile Crisis Team was recognized for its achievements by receiving the Chatham-Kent Health Alliance 2011 Award for Excellence. Along with a crystal keepsake the MCT received a \$2,500 bursary to be shared towards education or conferences.

The award was accepted by Becky Elgie and Constable Brent Milne. Three other officers, Constable Sherri Keller, Constable Cheryl McVicar and Constable Jason St. Denis, were also recognized for their contribution to the success of the MCT during the pilot project stage of the program.

5.2 Chief's Commendations – CPR for Cardiac Arrest Victim

During a singing competition held at the Canadian Belgian Dutch Club in Wallaceburg in October one of the male competitors, Kelly Peters, a 47 year old resident of Walpole Island suffered cardiac arrest.

Prior to the arrival of the emergency response personnel, three individuals assisted in applying CPR to Mr. Peters, off-duty Constable Rob Rose and civilians Patrick Murphy and Kyle Lapointe. Unfortunately Mr. Peters, who had serious health issues and had suffered a heart attack the previous week, passed away peacefully at the University Hospital in London three days later.

The Chief's Commendation was presented to Constable Rose and civilians Patrick Murphy and Kyle Lapointe for their lifesaving efforts.

5.3 Chief's Commendations – Citizens Assisting at Fatal MVC

Chief's Commendations were awarded to Justin Geertsma, Derek Willemsen, Mario Podora, Brian Harwood and Crystal Slater for their involvement in the rescue of Douglas Gordon and Betty Barlow-Gordon from a motor vehicle crash in Kent Bridge in September. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon were in attendance to thank their rescuers.

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mr. Bondy,

"MOTION TO RECEIVE ITEMS 5.1, 5.1.1., 5.2 AND 5.3."

#1211

Carried.

Mario Podora was unable to be present.

5.4 Towing Contract Extensions

The current Towing contracts have an end date of December 31, 2011. Since the new three-year contract submissions will not be received until early January 2012, an extension of the current contracts is required to the end March 31, 2012.

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Mr. Bondy,

“MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION OF THE CURRENT TOWING CONTRACTS TO MARCH 31, 2012.”

#1212

Carried.

6. Acknowledgement Letters

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Mr. Bondy

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTERS.”

#1213

Carried.

7. Ontario Association of Police Services Boards Membership Invoices.

- a) Ratification of payment of 2011 Membership Invoice
- b) Authority to pay the 2012 Membership Invoice.

Moved by Mr. Bondy and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RATIFY THE PAYMENT OF 2011 MEMBERSHIP INVOICE TO THE OAPSB AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF THE 2012 MEMBERSHIP INVOICE WHICH WILL BE PAID FOLLOWING THE APPROVAL OF THE 2012 BUDGET.”

#1214

Carried.

8. **Notification of the 21 Annual Police Labour Conference to be held February 27 – 28, 2012, Delta Meadowvale, Mississauga, Ontario.**

Moved by Mr. Bondy and seconded by Mayor Hope,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE NOTIFICATION.”

#1215

Mr. Bondy advised that he would be attending and Mayor Hope will check his schedule.

Carried.

9. **2012 Schedule of Meeting Dates.**

Chair Bélanger advised that a list of dates for meetings in 2012 is attached for the Board’s information.

10. **Ontario Civilian Police Commission 2010 Annual Report.**

Moved by Mr. Bondy and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE 2010 ANNUAL REPORT.”

#1216

Carried.

11. **Memo re: “ the safest place to drive in Ontario”.**

Covered under 4.3

12. **Memo re: “A Billion Dollar Problem” OAPSB Releases White Paper on Unpaid Fines”.**

Mr. Bondy advised that all MPPs from Zone 6 have been contacted and a copy of the White Paper has been sent to them. Zone members have been asked to follow-up with the MPPs in their area. He has also asked all Boards in Zone 6 to make an appointment to sit down with their Councils to present the White Paper on Unpaid Fines to them.

Moved by Mr. Bondy and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE.”

#1217

Carried.

Councillor Stirling asked if this white paper could be provided to Council.

Mr. Bondy advised that he would like to wait until after the budget. Around the end of March he would like to appear before Council to make a presentation to obtain their support.

13. **Letter from Accident Support Services and Annual Honorarium**

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Councillor Stirling

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND TO DEPOSIT THE HONORARIUM FROM THE CHATHAM-KENT ACCIDENT SUPPORT SERVICES LTD. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,542.13 IN THE BOARD’S RESERVE ACCOUNT.”

#1218

Carried.

14. **Non-Agenda Items.**

14.1 **Refurbishing of Training Facilities at the PABC**

Chief Poole advised that our municipal partners at C-K Learning are looking to revamp some of their training facility at the PABC, and have put out an appeal to see if there is room in any budgets within the municipality to contribute toward the refurbishing that needs to be done.

The Chief respectfully suggested that since there are some funds available in our Business Plan Reserve, although we did not specify this type of equipment in the Business Plan Reserve, however training was identified as an area where money would be spent. He said that our use of the facility is quite extensive at times and he would like to on behalf of the Police Board make a contribution of \$10,000.00 to assist in the refurbishing of that facility. They require approximately \$30,000.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mr. Bondy

“MOTION TO CONTRIBUTE UP TO \$10,000.00 FROM THE BUSINESS PLAN RESERVE FOR REFURBISHMENTS AT THE TRAINING FACILITIES AT THE PABC.”

#1219

Carried.

14.2 Public Consultation Meetings

Chair Bélanger noted that Public Consultation Meetings will be held January 17 (Wallaceburg), January 18 (Blenheim) and January 19 (Chatham), 2012. Times are 4 – 7.

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

The next meeting is scheduled for January 17, 2012 at 10:15 A. M. in the Board Room at the Chatham-Kent Police Headquarters.

16. **Adjournment**

Moved by Mayor Hope

“MOTION TO ADJOURN.”

Carried.

Time: 11:41 A. M.