

MINUTES
CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
(REGULAR)

Board Room
Chatham-Kent Police Headquarters

February 21 , 2012
Time: 10:15 A.M.

PRESENT:

Motion

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.

REGRETS:

Mrs. Pat Bélanger, Chair

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

3. **Approval of Minutes of December 20, 2011**

None declared.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 20, 2011.”

Carried.

Board Chair – 2012

Mr. Bondy announced the re-election of Mrs. Pat Bélanger as the Board Chair.

Mr. Bondy on behalf of the Board congratulated Mrs. Bélanger on her re-election.

Mr. Bondy was reappointed as Vice-Chair.

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

4.1 **Reclassifications /Retirement/Dismissal**

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RECLASSIFICATIONS, RETIREMENT AND DISMISSAL:

Reclassifications:

- **Cst. Dave Miller and Cst. Ed Vannoord to Third Class Cst. effective Jan. 1/12**

Retirement:

- **Sgt. Jim Niven effective April 30, 2012**

Dismissal:

Cst. Thom Brown effective January 30, 2012”

#1219

Carried.

4.2 **Full-Time Hires – Chatham-Kent Police Records Management**

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT DATED JANUARY 26, 2012 AND AUTHORIZE THE FULL TIME HIRES OF KAREN WILFORD #7210 AND DEBORAH MCMILLAN #7238 AS ADMINISTRATIVE CLERKS, DATA ENTRY, GRADE 6 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 13, 2012.”

#1220

Carried.

4.3 **Alarm By-law 2011 Annual Report**

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Councillor Stirling

“MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF \$27,718.43 FROM THE ALARM BY-LAW ACCOUNT TO THE BOARD’S RESERVE ACCOUNT AND FURTHER THAT A REVIEW OF THE BY-LAW BE UNDERTAKEN TO REDUCE THE AGE OF SENIORS, WHOSE FEES ARE WAIVED AND A REPORT BE BROUGHT BACK TO THE BOARD.”

#1221

Carried.

4.4 Board Reserve Account Reconciliation 2011

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mayor Hope,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFERS AS INDICATED IN THE BOARD RESERVE ACCOUNT 2011 RECONCILIATION REPORT DATED FEBRUARY 9, 2012.”

#1222

Carried.

4.5 Board Business Plan Reserve Reconciliation 2011

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Councillor Stirling,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT DATED FEBRUARY 9, 2012 FOR INFORMATION.”

#1223

Carried.

4.6 OACP Community Policing Committee Meeting – Chatham – May 1

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Councillor Stirling,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION AND PROVIDE TENTATIVE SUPPORT IN THE AMOUNT OF APPROXIMATELY \$500.00 FROM THE BOARD’S RESERVE ACCOUNT.”

#1224

Carried.

4.7 Chaplain Program 2011 Annual Report

Chief Poole introduced Chaplain Paul McPhail who is the co-ordinator for the Chaplain Program.

Chaplain McPhail introduced Chaplain Michael Koppes, who presented 2011 Annual Report.

He reported that there are 9 ordained volunteer sworn police chaplains within the Municipality of Chatham-Kent. They are available for service 24/7.

The duties include ride-alongs, call outs, death notifications, police ceremonies, training days, team leader meetings, involvement in Remembrance Day ceremonies, emotional survival for law enforcement training, visiting the communication centre, planning and hosting the Peace Officers memorial service, participation in the Chatham-Kent sponsored events, Camp Day at Tim Horton's, the Chatham-Kent Police Service and East Side Pride Community Outreach at the WISH Centre, presentations at the Neighbourhood Watch meetings, conducted and/or attended family Police and Fire Fighters funerals, weddings etc., also attending Annual Awards Banquet.

The chaplains provided 403 volunteer hours in 2011.

Chaplain Koppes extended thanks to Chief Dennis Poole and his support personnel. He also thanked Sgt. Tetrault for being the liaison.

The Chief and the members of the Board extended their appreciation to the Chaplains.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mayor Hope,

"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE CHAPLANCY REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2011."

#1225

Carried.

4.8 Board Citation – Const. M. Pearce

The Chief advised that a recognition is being made to the former Public Information Officer Constable Mike Pearce. Cst. Pearce was selected from the Community Patrol Branch to what was known at the time, as our first Media Officers position. From the start it was evident Cst. Pearce was a dedicated member of the Police Service, a team player and always represented the Police Service and Municipality in a very professional manner. Cst. Pearce worked diligently to elevate this position to what is now our Public Information Officer, striving to improve communication with the public through the professional media and through new social media platforms. He has done an exemplary job in all that he has undertaken.

Unfortunately the Board Citation plaque did not arrive on time and therefore will be presented to him at another time.

Cst. Renee Cowell has taken over the position of Public Information Officer and Cst. Pearce has taken a position within the Traffic Unit.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT DATED FEBRUARY 13, 2012 AND CONFER THE CITATION ON CONSTABLE PEARCE.”

#1226

Carried.

Councillor Stirling commented re: his background in journalism and he has had conversations with the local media who very much appreciated the level of professionalism and the level of access and information that they received from Cst. Pearce. He said that he really appreciated the innovation and the experimentation that you don't necessarily associate with police services in the area of communications. This is an innovative Force without question in the area of communication and Cst. Pearce had an opportunity to arrest one of the members of the Dragon's Den. He noticed mainly the provincial profile that he brought to this Force in a very short period of time. Very pleased to have his expertise in the Force and he knows Renee has big shoes to fill. He extended congratulations and thanked Cst. Pearce for a job well done.

4.9 Payment received for G20 Secondment

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Councillor Stirling,

**“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE PAYMENT RECEIVED FOR THE G20
SECONDMENT.”**

#1227

Carried.

5. **Reports from Deputy Chief:**

5.1 Q4 2011 ComCentre Report

5.2 2011 ComCentre Annual Report

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE ITEMS 5.1 AND 5.2.”

#1228

Carried.

5.3 Criminal Investigation Branch 2011 Annual Report

Deputy Chief Wiersma introduced Trevor Crane who is the Acting Inspector in charge of the Criminal Investigation Branch. Acting Inspector Trevor Crane is assisted by Detective Sergeant Ed Gibson.

The Deputy advised that the Criminal Investigation Branch is one of the four main operation divisions of the Chatham-Kent Police Service, each of which is managed by an Inspector. It consists of three sections, the Investigative Support Section, the Major Crime Section and the Intelligence Section. Reports were made on each Section.

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Councillor Stirling,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORTS.”

#1229

Carried.

5.4 2011 Firearms Annual Report

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT.”

#1230

Carried.

6. **Acknowledgement Letters**

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTERS.”

Carried.

7. **Presentation from Insp. Alex Mills – RCMP – Windsor**

Chief Poole introduced Inspector Alex Mills, the Detachment Commander of the Windsor Detachment RCMP.

Inspector Mills advised that the Vancouver Winter Olympics was a grand time for Canada. Canada won more medals than it had in any other Winter Olympics. He said that there were tens of thousands working behind the scenes in order to facilitate the delivery of the Olympics. One of the venues was Public Safety and Security. There were over 17,000 people who were dedicated just for security. These 17,000 people came from across the country and certainly a number of officers were from the Chatham-Kent Police Service. He said that though they work for different levels of government, the policing community were all pulling in the same direction that being Public Safety & Security and it could not have been better demonstrated than how it was delivered at the Olympics.

The Commissioner of the RCMP greatly appreciates the efforts, support and commitment of our policing partners, C-K Police Service. He presented the Commissioners Certificate of Appreciation to the Chatham-Kent Police Service.

Chief Poole commented that it was our privilege to be part of that great Canadian historical moment and all the members who attended in Vancouver learned a lot from their experience and they were able to bring back good ideas to incorporate into our local policing environment.

Mr. Bondy thanked Inspector Mills on behalf of the Board.

8. **Greetings from Mr. Don Shropshire, C.A.O., Municipality of Chatham-Kent**

Chief Poole introduced the new Chief Administrative Officer Don Shrophire who was recently appointed to this position.

Mr. Shrophire advised that he had served 20 years in public safety with the government before resigning and eventually coming to this area. He said that the municipality enjoys and continues to enjoy an excellent working relationship with the Police Service. He said that he would do everything he can to continue this relationship whether it is at budget time or throughout the year.

Mr. Bondy congratulated Mr. Shrophire on his appointment and added that the Board looks forward to working with him as well.

9. **Notification of the OAPSB Zone 6 Meeting, February 15 in Tecumseh**

10. **Copy of correspondence sent to Premier Dalton McGuinty from the Nottawasaga Police Services Board re: Traffic Enforcement – Use of Photo Radar.**

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded Mrs. Daly

“MOTION TO RECEIVE AND ENDORSE THE CORRESPONDENCE, AND THAT A LETTER BE SENT TO THE PREMIER IN SUPPORT OF THE NOTTAWASAGA POLICE SERVICES BOARD’S MOTION.”

#1231

Carried.

11. **Invitation from Big Brothers Big Sisters of Chatham-Kent for the Board to participate in its 2012 Bowl for Kids Sake event to be held Sunday, March 4th, 2012.**

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Councillor Stirling

“MOTION TO AUTHORIZE A DONATION OF \$250.00 TO THE BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS 2012 BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE EVENT FROM THE BOARD’S AUCTION ACCOUNT.”

#1232

Carried.

12. Request from the John McGregor Secondary School- YMCA Youth Leadership Exchange – 2012 for a monetary donation to offset expenses relating to the Exchange program.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO DECLINE THIS REQUEST AS IT DOES NOT FALL WITHIN THE MANDATE.”

#1233

Carried.

13. Correspondence from the Office of Monte McNaughton, MPP Lambton-Kent-Middlesex re: recouping billions in unpaid Provincial Fines.

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Councillor Stirling,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION.”

#1234

Carried.

14. Request from East Side Pride for financial assistance.

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO AUTHORIZE A \$500.00 DONATION TO EAST SIDE PRIDE FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE 2012 COPS LINK WITH KIDS PROGRAM FROM THE BOARD’S AUCTION ACCOUNT.”

#1235

Carried,

15. Request from Crime Stoppers for financial assistance.

Moved by Mrs. Daly and seconded by Councillor Stirling

“MOTION TO AUTHORIZE A \$500.00 DONATION TO CRIME STOPPERS FROM THE BOARD’S AUCTION ACCOUNT, AND THAT THIS REQUEST BE REVISITED LATER IN THE YEAR WHEN FURTHER FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE.”

#1236

Carried.

16. Non-Agenda Items

16.1 Copy of OAPSB Bulletin

This is an update of the Drummond report for improved POA fine collection measures and cost savings in Policing.

16.2 Blue Line Publication – Chatham Article

Chatham was showcased in the Publication and we are being watched across the province with regard to our Blackberry project.

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

The next meeting is scheduled to be held March 20, 2012 at 10:15 A. M. , in the Board Room.

18. **Adjournment**

Moved by Mrs. Daly

“MOTION TO ADJOURN.”

Carried

Time: 11:58 A. M.