

MINUTES
CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
(REGULAR)

Boardroom
Chatham-Kent Police Headquarters

May 13, 2014
Time: 10:30 A.M.

PRESENT:

Motion #

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

1. Call to Order

2. a) Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None declared

b) Approval of Agenda

Addition of 4.4 – Chaplain’s Report

Moved by Mrs. Biondi and seconded by Mayor Hope

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED”

Carried

c) Approval of Minutes of April 15, 2014

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Biondi

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2014.”

#2021

Carried

3. Health and Safety Report

None to report this month.

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

4.1 **Retirement/New Hire/Auxiliary Appointments**

Moved by Councillor Stirling and seconded by Mayor Hope

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE RETIREMENT/NEW HIRE/AUXILIARY APPOINTMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

Retirement

- **Cst. Bryon Martin effective October 31, 2014**

New Hire

- **Cst. Josh Rose as First Class Cst. effective May 5, 2014**

Auxiliary Appointments

Effective May 14, 2014

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| • Wayne Atkins | • Cory Henry | • Sean Savage |
| • Brenda Blonde | • Louise Martens | • Andy Shaw |
| • Chris Branquet | • Alexandra Poole | • Ken Shaw |
| • Daniel Ebere | • Justin Richardson” | |

#2022

Carried.

Councillor Stirling enquired as to the role of the Auxiliary.

Chief Poole advised that Auxiliaries are appointed under the Police Services Act. After a period of training they work alongside sworn members. They are community volunteers who have to pass a training session that requires them to understand Use of Force principles, Criminal law, etc. They will have the same powers as a sworn officer when working under the supervision of a sworn officer. Their primary role is to provide support services to special events , community events, parades, direct traffic and to do ride alongs primarily on evening shifts and weekends.

4.2 **Board Citation – On Going Efforts and Dedication to the Blenheim Youth Centre**

In 2006, Penny Wilton and Gary Warwick developed the Blenheim Youth Centre, recognizing the engagement with youth is one of the key goals in making communities a better and safer place. This Centre has provided a venue for youth particularly in the 11 to 15 age group where they can attend and participate in

structured activities. This has directly resulted in a decline in negative police interaction and issues that the police have had to deal with historically in the past in the Blenheim community.

Penny and Gary's benevolent contributions to our community and society as a whole reflect upon their dedication and self-sacrifice on many levels. As a result of their extraordinary efforts, they are being recognized today by way of a Board Citation.

Penny and Gary were in attendance to receive their Board Citations, presented by Board Chair Mrs. Bélanger

Councillor Stirling commented that he has the pleasure of representing South-Kent and the old adage that if you want to get something done ask a busy person, which these two individuals are. People need to appreciate that both Penny and Gary are well known, well respected business leaders in the Blenheim South-Kent area and have been for a number of years. He said that to their credit they recognized that there was a need in the Blenheim community. He said that he was very appreciative of the commitment they made. They worked with other business leaders in the community. The local business community stepped forward to help make something happen to strengthen the social impact in the Blenheim community. He said that certainly Penny and Gary and their team and staff have worked closely with all three South-Kent Councillors and the Mayor. We are very appreciative of all they have accomplished in the community.

4.3 Community Mobilization in Chatham-Kent (New Approaches to Community Safety & Well-being – Final Report April 2014)

The Chief commented that Sgt. Jim Lynds and Mr. James Cox have been working diligently over the last number of months to prepare what we would call a new Community Mobilization Strategy for Chatham-Kent. This has involved significant effort and engagement of community partners from various sectors of our community, that have come together under their leadership and umbrella to provide a different vision of community policing. Mr. Cox provided a brief overview on the project and potentially where we can go with it in the coming months.

Mr. Cox's services were provided under a Community grant from the proceeds of a Crime Grant Program through the Ministry of Community Safety.

A community mobilization project involves specific actions to address specific risks in a specific area. Community mobilization projects enhance community safety and wellbeing on a local level. They involve a collaborative partnership between the community, support organizations, and police, which come together to proactively address the root causes of threats to community safety and well-being.

Mr. Cox went on to explain the process and said that there were three areas identified as pilot projects i.e. Central Chatham, Wallaceburg and Ridgetown.

Moved by Mrs. Biondi and seconded by Mayor Hope

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT”

#2023

Carried

4.4 2013 Chaplaincy Report – Chaplain Timothy Joyce

Chaplain Co-ordinator Paul McPhail introduced Chaplain Timothy Joyce who presented the report.

The Police Chaplaincy program consists of ten ordained volunteer sworn-in Police Chaplains who are placed throughout the Municipality of Chatham-Kent. Liaison Officer for the program is Sgt. Gabe Tetrault.

Councillor Stirling enquired if the Chaplaincy program expressed a sensitivity to other faiths and needs.

Chaplain Joyce advised that they do have a training day in an attempt to understand other faiths. Chaplain McPhail provides this training.

Chaplain McPhail advised that they have provided during some of their training days the different cultures, faith groups and how they deal with end of life. He is on the End of Life Advisory Committee for Erie St. Clair. It is the only LHINS in all of Ontario that has a clergy that is on their Committee. He brings this information to the Chatham-Kent Police and the Chaplain service. They support individuals of different faith and ask if they have a spiritual leader who may be contacted.

The Mayor commented that there is cultural sensitivity training and he wondered if the Chaplains receive any training.

The Chief advised that they are provided with a training manual including religious, personal expectations required. Our police officers have been trained through the O.P.C.

Chaplain McPhail commented that they have received limited training, but they would certainly benefit from cultural sensitivity training.

The Mayor said that the Board should consider a broader course in cultural sensitivity training for the Service as well as the Board Members.

Chaplain McPhail also announced that Father Greg Bonin is resigning from the Chaplaincy Service after 17 years of service, and he read a note from Father Bonin, which showed that he valued his 17 years he served as Chaplain. Father Bonin was instrumental in setting up our Chaplaincy Service.

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Councillor Stirling

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND THAT MR. BONDY BE REQUESTED TO LOOK INTO A CULTURAL SENSITIVITY PROGRAM AND THAT THE CHAPLAINS BE INCLUDED IN TAKING THE COURSE.”

#2024

Carried

5. **Reports from Deputy Chief:**

5.1 1st Quarter ComCentre Report

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Biondi

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT.”

#2025

Carried

6. **Acknowledgement Letters**

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Biondi

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LETTERS.”

#2026

Carried.

7. **Consent Agenda:**

a) Correspondence from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services regarding the re-appointment of Mrs. Diane Daly as a member of the Chatham-Kent Police Services Board for a further period of three years, effective April 6, 2014

b) Correspondence from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services re: the appointment of Mrs. Kathryn Biondi as a member of the Chatham-Kent Police Services Board for a period of two years, effective February 26, 2014.

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Daly

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.”

#2027

Carried

8. **Police Fitness Personnel of Ontario – 20 Year Fitness Award to Deputy Chief Gary Conn**

The Chief presented Deputy Chief Conn with a Police Fitness Personnel of Ontario 20 Year Fitness Award.

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Biondi,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE AND ACKNOWLEDGE”

#2028

Carried

9. **Correspondence from the Hamilton Police Service Board re: Suspension Without Pay – Expanded Request to include Serious Police Service Act Misconduct**

10. **Correspondence from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services re: funding from the Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (R.I.D.E.) Grant program for the 2013-2014 fiscal year.**

Moved by Mayor Hope and seconded by Mrs. Daly,

“MOTION TO RECEIVE ITEMS 9 AND 10.”

#2029

Carried.

11. **Non-Agenda Items**

12. **Date and time of next meeting (tentatively scheduled for June 10, 2014)**

The Next meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2014 at 10:30 A. M.

13. **Adjournment**

Moved by Mrs. Daly

“MOTION TO ADJOURN.”

Carried

Time: 12:10 P.M.

Chatham-Kent Police Services Board