

MINUTES
CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING
(REGULAR)

Boardroom

October 17, 2017

Chatham-Kent Police Headquarters

Time: 10:09 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**

Board Member Kathryn Biondi would like the following Items added under Non-Agenda Item:

- Zone 6 Meeting-Presentation of Drone and the Cost Effectiveness/Cost Savings of having the Drone
- Webinar that Kathryn Biondi participated in on the PEM Grant

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Kathryn Biondi

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDED AGENDA”

#2421

Carried

c) **Approval of Minutes of September 12, 2017**

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Kathryn Biondi

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2017”

#2422

Carried

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

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

The Chief will present Item #4.7 first and present the remaining Reports in order.
Constable Rick Bertok with his K-9 Arry attended the Board Meeting.

4.1 **Auxiliary Resignations and Elevations**

The Chief presented the report regarding the Auxiliary Resignations and Elevations

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING AUXILIARY RESIGNATIONS AND ELEVATIONS”

-TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF AUXILIARY MEMBER, JOHN LABONTE, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

-TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF AUXILIARY MEMBER, PAIGE MCDOWELL EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 6, 2017

-THAT EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT EMILY MURPHY BE ELEVATED TO EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT LEVEL 2 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 24, 2017

#2423

Carried

4.2 **PTSD Prevention Plan**

The Chief presented the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Prevention Plan report.

Recently the province passed Supporting Ontario’s First Responders Act, which is new legislation that will create a presumption that post-traumatic stress disorder diagnosed in first responders is work-related. The presumption allows for faster access to WSIB benefits, resources and timely treatment. The Chief presented the PTSD Prevention Plan that was developed by the Chatham-Kent Police Service and submitted to the Ministry on Wednesday August 9, 2017 pursuant to subsection 9.1(1) of the Ministry of Labour Act. The goal of the plan is to provide all Supervisors, Managers and Workers clarity on how the Chatham-Kent Police Service is addressing PTSD prevention, intervention, recovery and return to work within our organization.

The Department had 7 mechanisms in place being proactive in dealing with PTSD and other operational stress disorders. Just to name a few we have EAP (Employee Assistance Program), Dr. Spec (Electronic Employee Assistance Program) Peer Support Team, Road to Mental Readiness Training, Policy and Procedures in place that provide and ensure mandatory debriefs for all critical incidents.

The PTSD Prevention Plan formalizes the mechanisms the department had in place dealing with Prevention, Intervention, Recovery and Return to Work.

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Kathryn Biondi

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION”

#2424

Carried

4.3 **Positivity Day Results**

The Chief presented the report regarding the 12 days of Positivity Day 2017 held within Chatham-Kent. One of the 12 days was designated as First Responders Day. The First Responders Team called themselves “United Sirens”

The Team consisted of Constable Kelly Helbin from Chatham-Kent Police Services, Constable Jay Denorer from the O.P.P., Whitney Burk from the Chatham-Kent Fire Department, Amy Larsen from Chatham-Kent E.M.S. and Erica Kitchen from Chatham-Kent Unite Way.

The United Sirens had a full day of visiting four local grocery stores on Thursday September 17 to assist customers with bagging and carrying their groceries and also collecting canned goods and/or monetary donations. The generosity of the citizens within our community was overwhelming to all that participated that day. It was an enjoyable and successful day for all parties involved.

The donations collected at each local grocery store, stayed in that particular location. The results of the donations are:

Basso's No Frills in Wallaceburg- donations of canned goods estimated value of \$250.00 were delivered to Salvation Army of Wallaceburg

Foodland in Dresden- donation to the Dresden Food Bank were canned goods valued at \$496.00

Food Basics in Blenheim- Delivered to Pastor Tim Joyce's (also a CKPS Chaplains) soup kitchen located within his "Word of Life Church" were canned goods valued at \$200.00

Dennis No Frills in Tilbury-delivered to Tilbury's Information and H.E.L.P. Centre were canned goods and money estimated at \$325.00

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Mayor Hope
"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION"

#2425

Carried

4.4 Reconciliation of Board Auction Account-3rd Quarter

The Chief presented the report regarding the Reconciliation Report of the Board Auction Account for the period of July 1 to September 30, 2017. The Auction Account Balance as of September 30, 2017 is \$7,947.35

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Kathryn Biondi
"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT"

#2426

Carried

4.5 Security Camera Registry

The Chief presented the report regarding the possibility of a private Security Camera Registry program.

The Chief gave a brief overview on many homeowners and business in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent have private security camera and this project would focus on requesting those persons to register their cameras with the police service via link on the CKPS website. The information would be uploaded into a searchable database (map) maintained by the Public Information Officer and the information would be accessible to all investigators. The video footage would be utilized when a crime/event is reported in an area. A member of the Police department would contact the registered owner and request a copy of the footage to assist in any developing leads in the investigation.

The program is completely voluntary at no cost to the owner. Once the owner has registered their information into the Registry, the owner's will receive a sticker to be placed in their window acknowledging they have a surveillance system and they are proactively working with the CKPS through this initiative. The program will act as an effective crime prevention tool that also assist in solving crime.

The roll out of the project would include media release, posting flyers at community events and speaking to business owners encouraging them to register their systems. The initial cost of advertising including business cards/decals/glossary brochure/ welcome letters to set up on-line registration is estimated at \$1,107.20 which will be funded through the Police Business Plan Reserve. Sergeant Greg Cranston was proactive in bringing the initiative forward.

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND ENDORSE THE SECURITY CAMERA REGISTRY PROGRAM TO BE FUNDED THROUGH THE POLICE BUSINESS PLAN RESERVE”

#2427

Carried

4.6 Year One Citizen Online Reporting System (CORS) Status Update

The Chief presented the update report regarding the Year One Citizen Online Reporting System (CORS) Status Update. The CORS went live to the general public through the main website of the Chatham-Kent Police Service on September 14, 2016. The web-based software has proven to be user friendly and the website provides ample instructions to the users to ensure that the crime for which they are reporting is eligible for On-line Reporting. All submission are reviewed by a police officer and the citizens then receives immediate feedback in the form of a report generated through the system.

Since implementation the CORS has handled 241 calls for service, dealing with theft of vehicles, theft/lost property, lost or stolen license plates, mischief to property, mischief to vehicles and Vulnerable persons Registry.

The CKPS is looking to implement an on-line Bicycle Registry, a traffic complaints component and a Video Surveillance Registry for homes and business owners.

The public's participation in this innovative program can deter and prevent crime and save lives.

Moved by Kathryn Biondi and seconded by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION”

#2428

Carried

4.7 United States Police 1 Trials/Certification Results (USPCA)

Constable Rick Bertok and his K-9 Arry attended the meeting and presented the report regarding the United States Police Canine Association Trials and Results (USPCA). They displayed their four Trophy's at the front of room.

The United States Police Canine Association is the largest and oldest active organization of its kind striving for the betterment of all Police K-9. The USPCA has membership in the United States, Canada and the Armed Forces throughout the world. Yearly the Regional Offices of the USPCA hold Police Dog Trials/Certifications. To be certified the Police Dog Team must complete certain tests which are judged by expert Police Service Dog Trainers and Handlers, a total of six in all. The certification test consists of: Obedience, Agility, Catwalk, Broad Jump, A-Frame, Crawl, Searching (to locate and/or retrieve articles containing the scent of a stranger (Evidence Recovery) and to locate a hidden suspect by scent only (Suspect Search-hot box)), Criminal Apprehension and Recall. All scenarios are set up to simulate street

environments where the Service K-9 does his work. The team must meet a minimum score to receive this certification.

The CK Police K-9 Team, Constable Rick Bertok with his K-9 Arry attended:

-USPCA Region 19 Dog 2 Trials and Certification in the spring of 2017 and won first place in Tracking

-USPCA Region 19 Police Dog 1 Trials and Certification in September of 2017 and won First Place in Agility and First Place in Searching and Place 3rd overall.

These results can be attributed to the dedication and training of Constable Bertok and his K-9 Arry as well as the on-going partnership with the Windsor Police Service K-9 Unit who assisted in the training of this team and the on-going additional training and maintenance.

The Mayor suggested that the Trophies be displayed in the public possibly in the Capital Theatre with glossy pictures or posters for public awareness for the achievement and safety awareness. The Chief agreed it was a great idea and he will certainly look into it.

CONGRATULATIONS from the Board!!

Moved by Councillor Fluker and seconded by Kathryn Biondi

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE REPORT FOR INFORMATION”

#2429

Carried

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

6. **Acknowledgement Letters:**

6.1 Certificate of Appreciation to Chatham-Kent Police Department and Chatham-Kent Municipal Department for the participation of Constables in the 150th Canada Day Celebration hosted by the Philadelphia Patriots Pathfinder Club and the Philadelphia Seventh-Day Adventist Church held on July 1st, 2017

Moved by Pat Weaver and seconded by Councillor Fluker

“MOTION TO RECEIVE THE CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATIONS IN ITEMS #6.1”

#2430

Carried

7. **Consent Agenda:** None

8. **Non-agenda items:**

-Zone 6 Meeting-Presentation of Drone and Cost Effectiveness of the Drone

Compliment to the Chief and the operators of the Drone Presentation at the Zone 6. The operation of the Drone was very impressive.

The Chief commented the drone has been in place in 5 months and deployed 19 times and the Chief will provide a Report at the November Meeting. It has expedited Traffic

Reconstruction and Marijuana Ratification just to name a few. In years past it cost about \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00 to rent a helicopter and the time spent flying over corn fields and by having the drone it has be huge, not only cost savings but the time spent as the drone could sweep the field in matter of 15-20 minutes.

-Webinar-PEM Grant (POLICING EFFECTIVE

Kathryn Biondi participated in a Webinar on the application process of the PEM Grant and effectiveness. The Webinar was very detailed on the process of meeting objectives, effectiveness and efficiencies.

We were one of the very few who participated in the PEM Grant. The CKPS received \$740,000.00 under the grant and to be one of the first in the province to obtain the grant. The Chief previously provided a full report on the PEM Grant and we received a total of \$740,000.00 with an additional of \$70,000.00 from the last year. The PEM Grant is very stat driven on performance and measurables. We were successful last year and we are anticipating we will be successful again next year when we submit our application under the PEM Grant requirements.

9. **Date and time of next meeting (tentatively scheduled for November 14, 2017**

The date and time of the next regular meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.

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, NOVEMBER 14, 2017.

Moved Pat Weaver and seconded by Councillor Fluker

#2431

Carried

10. **Adjournment**

Moved by Pat Weaver

“MOTION TO ADJOURN”

Carried

Time: 10:45 a.m.