

MINUTES
CHATHAM-KENT POLICE SERVICE BOARD MEETING
(REGULAR)

Boardroom
Chatham-Kent Police Headquarters

May 13, 2026
Time: 8: 28 a.m.

PRESENT:

Mr. Patrick Weaver, Chair
Mrs. Darlene Smith-Vieira, Vice-Chair
Mayor Darrin Canniff
Councillor Marjorie Crew
Mr. Douglas Sulman
Chief Kirk Earley
Deputy Chief, Jason Chickowski

Guest:

Ron LeClair, Police Services Advisor-Zone 6,
Inspectorate of Policing, Ministry of the Solicitor General

1. **Call to Order**

Welcome everyone and Guests

2. a) **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

None declared

b) **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Darlene Smith-Vieira and seconded by Doug Sulman

"MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA"

Carried

c) **Approval of Minutes of APRIL 15, 2026**

Moved by Councillor Crew and seconded by Mayor Canniff

"MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2026"

Carried

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

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

4.1 **Retirements, Promotions and Reappointments**

Retirements

Moved by Councillor Crew and seconded by Doug Sulman

"MOTION TO APPROVE THE RETIREMENT OF CONSTABLE WAYNE PLAQUET, EFFECTIVE JULY 31, 2026"

Carried

Special Constable Appointments

Moved by Darlene Smith-Vieira and seconded by Councillor Crew

"MOTION TO APPROVE THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL CONSTABLE JOHN CARTER'S MINISTRY OF COMMUNITY SAFETY & CORRECTIONAL SERVICES APPOINTMENT AS OF MAY 11, 2026"

Carried

Promotions

Moved by Darlene Smith-Vieira and seconded by Doug Sulman

"MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PROMOTIONS"

-THAT SERGEANT JASON HERDER BE PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF STAFF SERGEANT EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026

-THAT CONSTABLES SHAWN TREMBLAY AND VAN KESTEREN BE PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2026"

Carried

The Chief presented the Promotions.

5. **Reports from Deputy Chief:**

5.1 Missing Persons Act Regulatory Annual Report

The Deputy Chief presented the report on *Missing Persons Act* Regulatory Annual Report. Section 8 of the Act requires a police service to report annually on the numbers and type of urgent demands made to assist in locating a missing person. In 2025, the Chatham-Kent Police Service made forty-two (42) total urgent demands over the course of investigations involving thirty (38) missing persons.

Moved by Councillor Crew and seconded by Doug Sulman

"MOTION TO RECEIVE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE REPORT"

Carried

6. **Acknowledgement Letters:** None

7. **Consent Agenda:**

7.1 Sponsorship Renewal Request- MADD Message Yearbook- Honour Roll Listing \$199.00 plus HST. Annual Request-(Honour Roll Listing in 2025 \$199.00 + HST-Auction Account)

7.2 Sponsorship Renewal Request- The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command-Military Service Recognition Book-\$650.00-(1/4 Page full colour 2025 (\$575.22+74.78=\$650.00-Auction Account.

Moved by Councillor Crew and seconded by Darlene Smith-Vieira

"MOTION TO RECEIVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AND PAY ITEMS # 7.1 AND #7.2 FROM THE AUCTION ACCOUNT.

Carried

8. **Sponsorship/Donation New Requests- Auction Account:** None

9. **OAPSB-Zone 6 Update:**

Zone 6 Meeting held on April 24, 2026, at Masonic Centre of Elgin, Central Elgin

-Election of Zone Officers were held, Zone 6 Chair: Sherry Bondy-Mayor of Essex and Vice-Chair: Jim Maudsley were elected to represent Zone 6

-Police Governance Ontario (PGO) gave an overview of the new brand and website and gave a brief member's portal tutorial on how to use the key tools and resources.

PGO Spring Conference and AGM is being held June 1-3, 2026, in Niagara Falls at the Brock Niagara Falls-Fallsview Hotel. Mr. Weaver will be attending and representing the Board.

Moved by Councillor Crew seconded by Mayor Canniff

"MOTION TO ACCEPT THE VERBAL REPORT"

Carried

10. **Non-agenda items:**

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

The date and time of the next regular meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2026, at 8:30 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 44 1 (A) SUBSECTIONS (2) OR (3) OF THE *COMMUNITY SAFETY AND POLICING ACT, 2019* AND THAT THE NEXT CLOSED SESSION MEETING WILL BE HELD WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026, FOLLOWING THE REGULAR SESSION WHICH STARTS AT 8:30 AM.

Moved by Darlene Smith-Vieira seconded by Doug Sulman

Carried

Chair: this concludes our business noted on Regular Agenda-we shall enter into In-Camera/Closed Session to conduct our In-Camera Agenda.

May I have a Motion to move into In-Camera

12. **Motion to go into Closed Session**

The Board will move into Closed Session Meeting pursuant to Section 44 1(a) subsection (2) or (3) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019*, for the following reasons:

- CSPA Sec. 44 (2) (k)-Section 8 of *Municipal Freedom of Information Act*
- CSPA-Sec. 44 (2) (h)- dealing with a financial budgetary request with an organization

Moved by Mayor Canniff seconded by Councillor Crew

"MOTION TO MOVE INTO IN-CAMERA/CLOSED SESSION"

Carried

13. **Motion to Reconvene in Open Session**

Moved by Darlene Smith-Vieira seconded by Councillor Crew

"MOVED TO RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION"

Carried

14. **Motions arising from Closed Session**

Motions were read during the CKPS Meeting on Wednesday May 13, 2026

-SEE ATTACHED

Moved by Doug Sulman seconded Councillor Crew

Carried

15. **Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Crew

"MOTION TO ADJOURN"

Carried

Time: 9:32 a.m.

Original Signed by Mr. Patrick Weaver

Mr. Patrick Weaver, Chair
Chatham-Kent Police Service

CKPSB Closed Session/In-Camera Report

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Time: 8:55 a.m.- 9:31a.m.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Patrick Weaver, Darlene Smith-Vieira Mayor Canniff,
Councillor Crew, Doug Sulman**

The Board received information on:

- CSPA Sec. 44 (2) (k)-Section 8 of *Municipal Freedom of Information Act*
- CSPA-Sec. 44 (2) (h)- dealing with a financial budgetary request with an organization

Read during the Board Meeting on Wednesday May 13, 2026.