BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2020 – 9:30 a.m. TRAINING ROOM 344 ELGIN STREET, BRANTFORD

Mark Littell in the Chair

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mark Littell, Chair

Councillor Greg Martin, Vice-Chair

Mayor Kevin Davis Karen George Tammy Bonner

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Rob Davis

Deputy Chief Jason Saunders

Tabitha Fischer, Human Resources Manager

Virginia Kershaw, Executive Assistant

1. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 Federal Funding - New Positions - Budget Implications (report to be distributed separately)

Chief Davis reviewed concerns surrounding Federal funding being made available for additional Child Exploitation positions which Brantford Police Services were considering making application for. He noted that the funding formula has been changed which will result in significant funding shortfall for these positions. A chart was developed showing the funding formula and impact on the budget between October 1, 2020 to March 31, 2022. There is no guarantee that funding would continue past March 31, 2022 which would have a large impact on the Police Service budget moving forward.

Board members noted that there is a need to be fiscally responsible moving forward in the municipality due to the impact of COVID-19 and priorities have to be set within the approved budget. The Chief and Deputy noted that while they are supportive of the need for additional support, they expressed concerns with

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potentially having to take funds from front line positions in order to cover the costs associated with these new positions with the limited funding monies being offered.

Moved by Councillor Martin Seconded by Mayor Davis

THAT the Board NOT PROCEED with applying for Federal/Provincial Funding monies for Child Exploitation positions due to current funding formula; and

THAT this matter BE RECONSIDERED if enhanced Federal/Provincial Funding becomes available to Brantford Police Services.

CARRIED

3.2 Service Delivery Review Update (MetScan Report) (no copy)

Board members agreed to move the discussion of this matter to the September meeting when all Staff can be available to discuss.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 a.m..

The minutes of this meeting were adopted on September 10, 2020.

Chair

Executive Assistant