

BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2013
10:15 A.M., BOARD ROOM

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Jean Anderson, Chair
Todd Glaves, Vice Chair
Cheryl Antoski
Councillor Vince Bucci
Mayor Chris Friel

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Jeff Kellner
Deputy Chief W. Geoff Nelson
Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant
Staff Sergeant Donald Pancoe

Moved by Vice Chair Todd Glaves
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

THAT motions made in the in-camera session be adopted.

CARRIED

1. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Canine Services – Staff Sergeant Donald Pancoe

Staff Sergeant Pancoe gave a presentation on a business case for a canine unit. He provided three options, and made a recommendation that the Board approve the implementation of Option B, which consisted of a canine unit of two dogs and two handlers.

He advised that the business case on the viability of a Brantford Police Canine Unit had been prepared in accordance with the 2013-2015 Business Plan.

S/Sgt. Pancoe reported that the Brantford Police Service currently utilizes an outside police agency to provide canine support, and added that our Service is one of the few remaining police agencies in Ontario that do not have a canine unit. He gave a number of examples of response times of

canine services that have been experienced when the outside agency has been contacted for assistance, and the potential for tragic results due to these delays. He further commented that the Service is required by Adequacy Standards to provide five core functions, one of which is assistance to victims of crime. A canine unit would enhance the Service's ability to provide such assistance.

A cost analysis of Option B was then presented. Costs for year one were estimated at \$48,200, \$7,800 for year two, and \$80,300 in year three of the program.

Moved by Vice Chair Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

WHEREAS one of the objectives set out by the Brantford Police Services Board in its 2013 -2015 Business Plan was to "*explore initiatives that would enhance public and officer safety in emergency response*"

AND WHEREAS in support of achieving this objective the Brantford Police Services Board requested that the Service explore the viability of introducing a Canine Unit to the Brantford Police Service

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT having given consideration to the content of the Business Case prepared by Staff Sergeant Don Pancoe and oral submissions from Police Service staff, the Board hereby supports the introduction of Canine Services to the Brantford Police Service and approves the necessary allocation of reserve and operational funds

Moved by Councillor Vince Bucci
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

THAT the motion be amended to include the following at the end of the resolution:

"AND FURTHER that City Council be approached for capital funding for the project".

AMENDMENT CARRIED

The motion, as amended, was then voted on and approved. Staff Sergeant Pancoe left the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

3. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

4. MINUTES

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Councillor Vince Bucci

THAT the minutes of the meeting held March 28, 2013, be adopted.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS

5.1 Monthly Statistical Report – March 2013

Deputy Chief Geoff Nelson highlighted points of interest in the March report. He indicated robberies had increased from 2 in 2012 to 7 in 2013. He was pleased to report that entries to residences had decreased from 47 in 2012 to 19 in 2013.

5.2 First Quarter Budget Report

Chief Kellner presented the First Quarter Operating Budget Report, which was on target. He added that grant funds had not yet been received. He indicated the Police Services Board account would probably be overspent this year due to legal fees incurred for contract issues.

5.3 First Quarter Auction Proceeds Report

This report was received, which indicated the balance at March 31, 2013, was \$43,181.19.

5.4 First Quarter Complaints Against Police Report

This report, prepared by Inspector Scott Easto, was reviewed by Chief Kellner. He indicated that two complaints had been received in the first quarter of 2013.

5.5 Brantford Police Association 2013 Charity Golf Tournament

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Councillor Vince Bucci

WHEREAS the Brantford Police Association is hosting their Annual Charity Golf Classic on June 20, 2013

AND WHEREAS the Brantford Police Services Board fully supports this fund-raising initiative for charity

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$900.00 from the Police Services Board Auction Fund Account to the Police Services Board Special Projects Account and that this amount be used to cover participation fees for the Brantford Police Association Charity Golf Tournament.

CARRIED

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held on May 16, 2013.

7. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Vince Bucci
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT the meeting be adjourned. (11:10 a.m.)

CARRIED

The minutes of this meeting were adopted this 16th day of May, 2013.

Jean Anderson, Chair

Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant