

**BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD  
MINUTES  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.  
BOARD ROOM, 344 ELGIN STREET, BRANTFORD**

Please note that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting is being held electronically.

Mark Littell in the Chair

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| <b>ROLL CALL</b> |
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PRESENT:           Mark Littell, Chair  
                      Councillor Greg Martin, Vice-Chair  
                      Mayor Kevin Davis  
                      Tammy Bonner  
                      Karen George

ALSO PRESENT:   Chief Rob Davis  
                      Deputy Chief Jason Saunders  
                      Virginia Kershaw, Executive Assistant

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting was held electronically. Chair Littell reviewed the procedures which will be followed for this virtual meeting of the Brantford Police Services Board.

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| <b>1.     PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS</b> |
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**Presentation**

- 1.1     Assist Ambulance Calls for Service Presentation (January 1 to September 30, 2021) – Hillary Miles, Crime Analyst

H. Miles, Crimes Analyst addressed the Board and gave a powerpoint presentation on the assist ambulance calls for service, a copy of which is included in the original minute file folder. Chief Davis noted that providing assistance service to EMS has resulted in a large amount of police resources being tied up for significant amount of time. Questions of clarification on the presentation were provided including need for historical data, protocols/criteria that Ambulance use when calling in police resources, need for resources to attend these calls. Chief Davis noted that there is a need for a conservation to be held with EMS to determine their protocols/criteria and come up with a more efficient solution to these types of calls.

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| <b>2.     DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST</b> |
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| <b>3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION</b> |
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Items 3.1 and 3.2 were separated for discussion purposes prior to calling the vote on all Items for Consideration and Consent Items.

**3.1 Issues Update – Chief Davis / Deputy Chief Saunders (no copy)**

Topics being discussed as part of Update:

- (1) Media Release – “Every Child Matters” Flags to honour first National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (attached)
- (2) Social Media Response to Media Release “Every Child Matters” Flags (attached)
- (3) Feedback – Echo Place Ward Meeting (attached)
- (4) Closing/Termination of BPS02
- (5) Criminal Intelligence Service of Ontario (CISO)

Deputy Chief Saunders noted that the towing contract will be issued as an RFQ through the City’s Purchasing Department and is anticipated to come back to the November Board meeting for approval. The radio system project is continuing. He further noted that BPS is currently charging a 15% surcharge for special duty services provided, however if the Board felt it appropriate to increase this, a motion needs to be brought forward.

Chief Davis introduced Steve McClegg, Director and Richard MacCheyne, Deputy Director of Criminal Intelligence Service of Ontario (CISO) who addressed the Board and provided an powerpoint presentation detailing their structure, mission statement and how the Province is broken down into areas for gathering of statistical information. An overview of organized crime picture in Central West Ontario, Area 6, which includes Brantford, was given noting that the number of organized crime groups in increasing. Organized crime groups priorities involve firearms trafficking, cocaine and fentanyl distribution. A copy of the presentation is included in the original minute file folder.

Chief Davis referred to an Echo Place Ward Meeting held a couple weeks ago, and noted that traffic enforcement has been occurring in the Echo Place area as requested at the meeting hosted by Councillors Carpenter and Antoski. Insp. Bell-Samson provided an overview of statistics relating to traffic infractions laid in the Echo Place area since the meeting.

Chief Davis reviewed the documents contained in the agenda package including the media release for “Every Child Matters” Flags raised and social media response, the disabling of BPS02 generic email address that is currently in place as it is not monitored consistently and would be better directed to other appropriate on-line reporting mechanisms.

Chief Davis noted the joint task force between Brantford Police, Six Nations Police and Coroners Officer is actively involved in the criminal investigation of activities at the Mohawk Institute. Chief Davis noted that there is a still a need for bail reform

and there is a need for awareness of this matter through various levels of government and organizations we are involved with.

Moved by T. Bonner  
Seconded by Councillor Martin

THAT the surcharge charged for special duty services provided by Brantford Police Service BE INCREASED from 15% to 20% commencing in 2022.

**CARRIED**

**3.2 Auction Proceeds Account - Request for Funds – 2021 Thank A Vet Luncheon**

Moved by K. George  
Seconded by T. Bonner

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$250. from the Auction Fund Account to the Special Projects Account (#132016 to provide a donation to the 2021 Thank A Vet Luncheon event being held on November 6, 2021.

**CARRIED**

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| <b>4. CONSENT ITEMS</b> |
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**4.1 Minutes**

Moved by K. George  
Seconded by T. Bonner

THAT the September 9, 2021 Regular Police Services Board Minutes BE APPROVED.

**CARRIED**

**4.2 Information Items**

Moved by K. George  
Seconded by T. Bonner

THAT the following Information Items BE RECEIVED:

- 4.2.1** PRIDE Shared Budget Meeting Minutes – September 1, 2021
- 4.2.2** All Chiefs Memo – Ministry of Solicitor General re. The Towing Sector and Consumer Protection Act dated September 10, 2021

**CARRIED**

K. George was advised that Brantford Police Services has been involved with P.R.I.D.E. agreement for over 30 years and there may soon be an opportunity to review our participation in this agreement. Concerns were expressed how this agreement significantly impacts our budget.

K. George questioned whether the BPS is currently utilizing a tow model similar to what is happening in the County. Deputy Chief Saunders noted that it may be appropriate to have the City regulate and licence tow truck operators in the City so that the industry could be better regulated and rotational use of operators could be better handled in that manner.

Moved by K. George  
Seconded by Councillor Martin

THAT Staff BE DIRECTED to develop a Tow Truck Operator By-law that will provide for the City of Brantford to licence and regulate tow truck operators.

CARRIED

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| <b>5. NEW BUSINESS</b> |
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**5.1 Chair Update on Activities on behalf of Board – M. Littell (no copy)**

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| <b>6. NEXT MEETING DATE</b> |
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WEDNESDAY, November 10, 2021 – 9 a.m.

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| <b>7. ADJOURNMENT</b> |
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The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

The minutes of this meeting were adopted on November 10, 2021.



Chair

  
Executive Assistant