

BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2013
1:00 P.M., BOARD ROOM

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Jean Anderson, Chair
Todd Glaves, Vice Chair
Cheryl Antoski, Member
Mayor Chris Friel, Member

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Jeff Kellner
Deputy Chief W. Geoff Nelson
Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant
Brian Haggith, Ministry Zone Advisor

REGRETS: Councillor Vince Bucci, Member

Moved by Vice Chair Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

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 Police Exemplary Service Awards

2.1.1 *Special Constable Shawn Beaulne*

This officer was presented with a Police Exemplary Service Award for coming to the assistance of the occupants of a rolled-over vehicle, which was leaking gas and endangering the lives of the 13-year old passenger and driver. Special Constable Beaulne was commended for his actions.

2.1.2 Constable William Aragian

Constable Aragian received this award for coming to the assistance of a young woman who was not breathing and unconscious due to a fall, and as a result of his quick thinking and actions, may have saved her life. He was commended for his actions.

2.2 30-Year Police Exemplary Service Bar

2.2.1 Sergeant Rick Ryerse

Sergeant Ryerse was presented with his 30-Year Police Exemplary Service Bar and thanked for his service to policing and the community.

3. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

4. MINUTES

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

THAT the minutes of the meetings held June 19, 2013, and August 13, 2013, be adopted.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS

5.1 Statistical Reports

5.1.1 June 2013 Statistical Report

This monthly report was received.

5.1.2 Five-Year Semi-Annual Statistical Report

Deputy Chief Nelson presented this report. He was pleased to report that the number of reported auto thefts was significantly down. He attributed the decrease to the efforts of Team Shutdown, the joint forces initiative. He indicated that the O.P.P. had recently withdrawn their involvement due to manpower issues.

Deputy Chief Nelson noted that sexual offences have consistently trended upward. A review has revealed that in most of the incidents, the perpetrator is known to the victim, i.e., family member, friend, which is a social issue, and suggested a community approach to reduce the incidents of sexual offences.

He also reported that assaults, robberies and thefts continued to trend downwards. Overtime for court attendance was trending upward. A comprehensive audit of court overtime will be completed.

Discussion ensued on a campaign to educate the public in order to reduce the number of thefts from motor vehicles. Staff was asked to provide a strategy at a future meeting.

5.2 Budget Reports

5.2.1 *Second Quarter Budget Report*

Chief Kellner presented this report for the period ending June 30, 2013.

5.2.2 *Monthly Budget Report – August 2013*

Chief Kellner noted that the only area of concern is the Police Services Board account, which is 76% overspent due to legal fees resulting from civil actions, contract negotiations, and labour issues.

5.2.3 *Transfer of Funds*

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board ratify the following motion taken August 30, 2013:

The Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$130,000 from Brantford Police Service Reserve Fund 138 to a capital account for the purchase of a mobile command centre

AND FURTHER should the Brantford Police Service not be the successful bidder for the proposed mobile command centre, the funds be immediately transferred back to Brantford Police Service Reserve Fund 138.

CARRIED

Chief Kellner indicated that the Service would like to bid on a used Emergency Measures of Ontario 2007 mobile command centre to replace the Service's current 1986 model. The process will either be by sealed bid or silent auction, and should be held sometime in the near future.

5.3 Auction Proceeds Account

5.3.1 *Second Quarter Report*

The reported indicated that the balance for the period ending June 30, 2013, was \$39,425.69.

5.3.2 *Request for Assistance – Arts After School Kids Program*

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

WHEREAS a request has been received from the *Arts after School Kids Program* for financial support of their program

AND WHEREAS the Brantford Police Services Board fully supports the work of this program

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$500.00 from the Police Services Board Auction Proceeds Trust Fund to the Police Services Board Special Projects Account (150500) and that this amount be used as a contribution to the *Arts After School Kids Program*.

CARRIED

5.3.3 *Request for Assistance – Brant-Brantford Crime Stoppers*

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

WHEREAS a request has been received from Brant-Brantford Crime Stoppers for financial support of their *2013 Sip, Sample & Savour* fund-raiser

AND WHEREAS the Brantford Police Services Board fully supports the work of this organization

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$500 from the Police Services Board Auction Proceeds Trust Fund to the Police Services

Board Special Projects Account (150500) and that this amount be used as a contribution to the “2013 Sip, Sample & Savour” fundraiser.

CARRIED

5.4 Request for Donation of Vehicle – Wilfrid Laurier University

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Todd Graves

THAT the request of the Special Constable Service of Wilfrid Laurier University, Brantford Campus, for the donation of a used police cruiser be approved, subject to the availability of a cruiser.

CARRIED

5.5 Second Quarter Complaints Against Police Report

Chief Kellner provided this report for the period ending June 30, 2013, and noted the number of complaints had decreased.

5.6 Radio Project – Financial Update

Deputy Chief Nelson provided the financial status of the ongoing radio project. He indicated the project is within budget and is nearing completion.

5.7 Board Policies

5.7.1 Policy #13-01 - Canine Unit

Moved by Todd Graves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT Board Policy #13-01 with respect to the services of a canine unit be approved.

CARRIED

5.7.2 Policy #00-08 – Criminal Investigation Management & Procedures

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Todd Graves

THAT Board Policy #00-08 regarding Criminal Investigation Management and Procedures be amended to reflect canine tracking will be provided by members of the Brantford Police Service.

CARRIED

5.7.3 Policy #91-04 – Return of Found Money

Moved by Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT Board Policy #91-04 regarding the return of found money be amended to reflect that money that cannot be returned to its rightful owner or the finder be deposited in the Auction Proceeds Account.

CARRIED

5.8 Bylaws

5.8.1 Bylaw #98-01 – Complaints Against Police

First Reading

Moved by Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT Bylaw #98-01 – Complaints Against Police, be repealed.

CARRIED

Second Reading

Moved by Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT Bylaw #98-01 – Complaints Against Police, be repealed.

CARRIED

Third Reading

Moved by Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT Bylaw #98-01 – Complaints Against Police, be repealed.

CARRIED

5.8.2 *Bylaw #13-01 – Complaints Against Police*

First Reading

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Todd Graves

THAT Bylaw #13-01 – Complaints Against Police, be adopted.

CARRIED

Second Reading

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Todd Graves

THAT Bylaw #13-01 – Complaints Against Police, be adopted.

CARRIED

Third Reading

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Todd Graves

THAT Bylaw #13-01 – Complaints Against Police, be adopted.

CARRIED

5.9 2013 Summer Park Patroller Program

This report was presented by Chief Kellner which outlined the activities of the six Park Patrollers who were employed over the summer months.

5.10 Request for Adult School Crossing Guard Warrant Studies

Sergeant Grahame Lee, Traffic Section, recommended the Board request warrant studies be conducted at two locations due to safety concerns.

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT City Engineering staff be requested to conduct adult school crossing guard warrant studies at the following locations –

Mintern Avenue at Heagerty Street
King George Road at Charing Cross Street

CARRIED

5.11 2012 Annual Report

This report was received and reviewed.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held on October 17, 2013.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Expanded Conductive Energy Weapons (CEWs) Authorization

Correspondence was received indicating that the Community Safety and Corrections Minister announced that police services are now allowed to equip any police officers with CEWs as determined by local police governing authorities. Previously, Tasers could only be carried or used by supervisors or tactical personnel.

Chief Kellner advised he would bring a proposal to the Board after meeting with senior staff to determine front line needs. He indicated that due to the financial impact of expanding the use of the CEWs, consideration may be given to a graduated approach for front line officers.

Mr. Haggith added that the standards would be coming out shortly.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Vice Chair Todd Glaves

THAT the meeting be adjourned. (2:25 p.m.)

CARRIED

The minutes of this meeting were adopted this 17th day of October 2013.

Jean Anderson, Chair

Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant