

MINUTES The Blue Mountains Police Services Board Meeting



MEETING DATE: August 10, 2016
MEETING TIME: 8:30 a.m.
LOCATION: OPP Station Boardroom
PREPARED BY: Sharon Long, Secretary

A. Call to Order

Cameron Kennedy, John McKean, Martin Mazza, Len Devine, Philip Browne and Sharon Long, Secretary were present for the meeting.

▪ **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by: John McKean **Seconded by:** Martin Mazza

THAT the Agenda of August 10th, 2016 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, CARRIED

▪ **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof**

▪ **Previous Minutes**

Moved by: Martin Mazza **Seconded by:** John McKean

THAT the Council minutes of May 11, 2016, be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made, CARRIED

B. Public Meetings / Deputations

N/A

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B.1 Statutory Public Meetings

B.2 Deputation

C. Staff Reports

C.1 Detachment Commander's Report (verbal)

Len Devine advised that the Collingwood/Blue Mountains Detachment has been assigned a new Detachment Commander. Inspector Mary Shannon will report for duty in early September.

The Community Policing Committee had a meeting discussing the committee's focus for the future. The Committee wants to focus on issues affecting a larger group of the population. Immediate focus is to have current crime trends and scams posted on the Committee's public page.

The Blue Mountains Detachment is in good repair.

The Grey County Road Race was successfully held in late May without any major issues.

Centurion Cycle Race is scheduled for the weekend of September 16th thru to 18th. The race will be held in The Blue Mountains, Collingwood, Clearview and Grey County communities.

On the 22nd of July an 83 year old female was pulled from the water of the beach adjacent to the Thornbury Harbour. Police and medical personnel suspect the woman suffered a heart attack while swimming. Medical investigation continues.

Phillip Browne advised that the Traffic Unit is not writing too many tickets within The Blue Mountains due to our Court being located in Owen Sound.

John McKean asked what they are doing when they catch someone speeding, stopping them and giving them a warning.

Phillip advised they prefer to work in Collingwood as the Court is right there. They do a high volume of tickets in Collingwood and advise that if the court was closer than Owen Sound they would be happy to write more tickets in The Blue Mountains.

Len gave the numbers for By-law calls for service for May being all by-laws – 2 incidents, Noise By-law 10 incidents with 1 charge being laid and Security Alarm By-law 17 incidents. By-law calls for service for June being all by-laws 0, Noise By-law 13 incidents with 1 charge being laid and Security Alarm By-law 36 incidents. By-law calls for service for July being all by-laws 0, Noise being 12 with 2 charges being laid, 6 warnings and 4 unfounded. Noise related concerns at STA properties resulted in 1 charge, 1 warning and 1 unfound. Security Alarm By-law 31 incidents.

Phillip Browne advised that violent crimes are down across the board with an increase in assault numbers. These numbers are on par with other years. Phillip advised that our numbers are so low overall that 1 increase shows a significant increase in the percent number.

The mischief cases are kids doing vandalism.

Phillip advised that the assaults are happening at the resort with alcohol being an issue. On the Elvis weekend, the liquor inspector came to the resort and indicated he noticed the potential for under aged drinking. Phillip advised the resort is looking to staffing for security and suggested they have a responsibility for prevention. Phillip advised it seems to be possible that Hell's Angels are in the area. Phillip advised that he met with Blue Mountain Resorts management about a month ago and they are co-ordinating with their security partnership and looking for security visibility for a proactive presence. The OPP are hoping to find out what is going on at the resort that they are not aware of. Philip advised there was one incident reported where a bike gang member was involved and they are looking at ways to prevent this. Another problem is drinking after hours and Philip advised that most of these problems were in the condominiums. Philip confirmed they are trying to figure out how to manage this on private property. They are looking to meet with Blue Mountain Security to work out a strategy. Blue Mountain Security has lost their Chief of Security and Philip noted the need to revisit how we will exchange information between them.

John McKean asked Philip if they had tried plain clothes officers going through the parking lots.

Philip advised that most of the businesses know who the OPP Officers are. They are hoping to pull in other resources but will have to have a plan in place for them.

Martin suggested we use plain clothes officer that nobody would know.

Philip confirmed that we do have plain clothes officer who go into the bars. They are looking at having a Security Intelligence Person who would be working for Blue Mountain Resort. Philip advised that employees will hesitate giving the OPP information and they are working at putting together a working partnership. Philip advised that people do not want to get involved in this type of charge. Blue Mountain Resorts needs an experienced person who knows how to do the job and they are open to the idea.

Len advised that Blue Mountain Resorts also wants to correct the problem. They are looking at qualifications for bouncers who would be employed at the resort. Len advised that the Resorts is concerned about the problems they are having also.

Philip suggested that if Blue Mountain Resorts or the Blue Mountain Village Association would initiate it, it would be better if they set the standards with input from OPP.

Cam quested if they have hired a new chief of security.

Philip confirmed they have not at this time.

Len advised that want to have a family type business and do not want to have the problems they are currently experiencing. Len advised they are talking about installing video equipment and having monitors around the resort also.

Philip advised the Board there was an assault in The Pita Pit. The OPP are hoping they can tie all cameras in together that they can track them. Philip advised there are a number of good establishments at the Village but there are a couple with high fliers with a couple of establishments they are keeping their eye on. Philip advised that the OPP frequent those areas when they are on paid duties also. Taxi stands are another problem area after the bar closes also. Philip advised they have discussed increasing the volume of taxis so there is not a long wait time after the bars close.

Philip advised that property crime is difficult to clear.

Philip suggested that if people would lock their cars it would be safer and noted there is a lot of repeat visitors doing same. There were five in one night from Christie Beach to Arrowhead Road. Philip suggested they are looking at the lock it or lose it programs again.

Philip advised there has been 569 record checks so far in 2016. Each detachment now creates an occurrence for each security check and it takes ½ hour minimum per client to process the paperwork. The average is ½ per check. If someone requires finger printing, it is done in Collingwood which creates additional time. Philip advised that we do not appreciate the work behind the scenes to get these record checks completed. A Criminal Record check is now becoming a big item which is the industry standard. Philip advised that anything related to kids requires this check and advised that landlords are now asking for these for rentals. Philip suggested it is challenging and they need to take a look at the hours being spent. It would work out to a full time position between the 2 offices.

Moved by: John McKean

Seconded by: Martin Mazza

THAT the Detachment Commander's Report be received as presented this 10th day of August, 2016 and that the Report be forwarded to Town CAO Troy Speck and the Community Policing Committee, CARRIED

D. Correspondence

Author	Recommendation
D.1 Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Implementation of E-Telewarrants	Receive for Information
D.2 OAPSB – Board of Directors 2016/2017	Receive for Information
D.3 Public Safety, Security, Enforcement, Crisis Manage – Frontline Security	Receive for Information
D.4 Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – New “Drinking Water Protection Zone” Signs	Receive for Information
D.5 Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Guidance Notes #2, #9, #10 and #14 and	

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| | Safe Driving Poster | Receive for Information |
| D.6 | Ministry of the Attorney General – Revisions to the Constable Selection System (CSS) “Guidelines for Examining Physicians: and “Self Assess! Medical Requirements for Candidates” | Receive for Information |
| D.7 | OAPSB – Open & Public Meetings | Receive for Information |

Martin Mazza questioned the Committee if our meeting are advertised as open & Public Meetings and wondered if Collingwood Police Services Board gets anyone attending their meetings.

John McKean advised that all town meetings are posted on the website for the public information and they could attend if they wish.

Philip Browne advised that Collingwood does not very often have people attend their meetings.

Cameron Kennedy feels if there is something on the agenda that interests them, people would attend.

Martin would like minutes reflect that we comply. Public can watch and the chair has to recognize if they want to speak.

John McKean suggested if they wish to speak, they could submit a delegation form.

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| D.8 | OAPSB – Major Case Management Instructor Secondment Opportunity at OPC | Receive for Information |
| D.9 | OAPSB – Supreme Court of Canada Decision Regarding Medical Assistance in Dying | Receive for Information |
| D.10 | Ontario Provincial Police – Policing Responsibilities & Keeping your Community Safe | Receive for Information |
| D.11 | Jim Wilson, Member of Provincial Parliament, Letter to Inspector Mary Shannon | Receive for Information |
| D.12 | Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Collection of Identifying Information in Certain Circumstances – Prohibition & Duties: In-Force Dates | Receive for Information |
| D.13 | OAPSB – OMERS Sponsors Corporation Decision | Receive for Information |
| D.14 | Ontario Association of Police Services Boards – The Honourable Minister Yasir Maqvi – Congratulatory Correspondence | Receive for Information |
| D.15 | OAPSB – The Honourable Minister David Michael Oraziotti – Introductory & Congratulatory Correspondence | Receive for Information |
| D.16 | Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Ontario Major Casement Management Unit – 2015 Annual Report | Receive for Information |
| D.17 | Ministry of Transportation – Amendments to Ontario Regulation 316/03, Operation of Off-Road Vehicles On Highways and Ontario Regulation 863, General: Updates | |

	To Off-Road Vehicles Access on Provincial Highways	Receive for Information
D.18	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Amendment (O. Reg. 188-16) to the Highway Traffic Act Ontario Regulation 620/05 – High Occupancy Vehicles	Receive for Information
D.19	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – 16/17 – Job Posting – West Grey Police Services Board – Chief of Police	Receive for Information
D.20	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Ontario’s Strategy to End Human Trafficking Policing (FLP) Grant Program	Receive for Information
D.21	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – O. Reg 58/16 Collection of Identifying Information in Certain Circumstances – Prohibition and Duties: Board Policy Development Considerations	Receive for Information
D.22	New Registration and Licensing System of Ontario	Receive for Information
D.22	OAPSB – CAPG Directors – Ontario Vacancy	Receive for Information
D.23	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Eliminating Fax and Mail Channels for Administrative Roadside Suspensions and Long-Term Vehicle Impoundments	Receive for Information
D.24	Canadian Association of Police Governance – Notice Of Nominations from the Floor	Receive for Information
D.25	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Police Services Advisor Zone Assignments	Receive for Information
D.26	OAPSB Office – Holiday Closure	Receive for Information
D.27	OAPSB – Confirmation of OAPSB 2016 Membership Renewal	Receive for Information
D.28	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services – Supreme Court of Canada Decision Regarding Penile Swab Admissibility	Receive for Information
D.29	OAPSB – Independent Police Oversight Review	Receive for information
D.30	Ontario Provincial Police – New Release – New Detachment Commander Selected for Collingwood/The Blue Mountains OPP	Receive for information
D.31	Johnstone & Cowling, LLP – Management Labour Lawyers Police Newsletter	Receive for information

Moved by: John McKean Seconded by: Martin Mazza

THAT this Board does hereby receive the Correspondence D.1 to D.34 and D.36 of August 10, 2016 and further does support the Staff Recommendation made with regard to Correspondence items, including any additional direction given to Staff through discussion, with an appropriate Staff action or response awaited for report back to the Board, a Committee or Council where indicated, CARRIED

E. Other Business

E.1 Marsh & Matilda Street Traffic Speeds Update

Len Devine confirmed that Constable Pyatt did not observe any offenders. Jim McCannell also had the same problems in Banks and the same thing was completed in that area. Len confirmed that some tickets were issued in Banks.

John McKean advised that the flashing signs which are permanent are good and they seem to work well. Kimberley has them coming into their village and it calms the traffic down.

Philip suggested that Len forward a request to the traffic unit for the sign to be installed in Clarksburg.

Cam suggested that Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday morning is likely the best time for the OPP to sit at this location.

Len advised that the last complaint they received was on Jozo Weider Boulevard. The OPP attended at set up the laser in his laneway. It was noted that the trucks appear to be travelling quicker than they actually are.

John asked if we would communicate this to Debbie. Cam suggested we wait until we hear back from the sign endeavour before we report back to Debbie.

E.2 Provincial Offences Court – John McKean & Cam Kennedy

John McKean advised the Board that their trip to Caledon was very informative. John would like us to look at the process of having our own Provincial Offences Court as a large portion of the money remains within the POA Court in Owen Sound.

Len Devine advised that the OPP are all send to the POA office in Owen Sound by Courier. OPP staff spend a lot of time travelling to Owen Sound and waiting their turn on the court docket. The defense are waiting until the OPP officer walks through the door and then they plead guilty to the charge.

John suggested we look at changing town hall to accommodate this or rent the building in Collingwood where they hold their POA court. John thinks it would save a lot of time for everyone involved. John sees this move as an enhanced service.

Philip advised that the funds would be back into the community.

Cam advised that he has reached out in City about how the process would work and will advise when he receives the information required.

Philip advised he has had conversation with Special Constables and advised that staffing is going to be an issue in the Court itself with Special Constables required for security. Currently there is 2 part time and 1 full time officer in court security. The only issue is clerk within the POA system itself.

Cam requested clarification between having it in Collingwood versus Thornbury and questioned if we would not be dealing with the same issues

Philip advised that if The Blue Mountains are renting the space in Collingwood for your process, then you would own it for that time. Philip confirmed that Officer overtime is a common issue. Philip suggested we could come together to fund it for so many days per week so we can schedule hearings when the officers are on duty. Collingwood is currently doing this by renting the building for all of the process and the funding is theirs.

John confirmed that the building where they hold the POA court in Collingwood is not owned by them. John asked if we could find out what the building costs would be per day.

Martin noted that currently the POA office is in Owen Sound and suggested it would be better to do it here.

John noted the expense for security needs if it was to happen in Town Hall.

Philip suggested that once we find out the process we could have a discussion with Collingwood at that time. Philip suggested we do a comparison for costs analysis between Collingwood and Owen Sound.

Cam agreed that once you find out the criteria and process we will know how to change.

Martin agreed with accessing options in Collingwood and The Blue Mountains.

Cam will await for his response for his contact.

Philip suggested that we could get the lady from Caledon to come up and access Town Hall to see if it could be suitable for the POA court. Philip also suggested we discuss same with Collingwood to arrive at options and get the criteria we must meet for timelines.

Martin asked Mayor McKean if Grey County knows we are looking.

John confirmed yes they are aware.

Philip advised there are significant numbers in Caledon and suggested we cannot mirror them for enforcement and POA size. We have a different dynamic in this area. We could increase the enforcement and get funds in to fund it by taking ownership. Philip suggested that red light cameras can enhance this.

John advised that they clear a great deal of money after expenses are paid.

Philip advised they have three debt collectors on retainers who recover the funds. Philip noted that Owen Sound does not have a plan to collect same.

F. Adjournment

Moved by: Martin Mazza

Seconded by: John McKean

THAT this Police Services Board Meeting does now adjourn at 9:45 a.m. to meet again November 16, 2016 at 8:30 a.m., OPP Station Boardroom, or at the call of the Chair,