

MINUTES: The Blue Mountains Police Services Board Meeting



MEETING DATE: November 18, 2015
MEETING TIME: 8:30 a.m.
LOCATION: OPP Station Boardroom
PREPARED BY: Sharon Long, Secretary

A. Call to Order

PRESENT: Len Devine, John McKean, Martin Mazza, Cameron Kennedy and Philip Browne.

- **Call to Order** – Chair Cameron Kennedy called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
- **Approval of Agenda**

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

THAT the Agenda of November 18, 2015 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, CARRIED

- **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof** – none at this time.
- **Previous Minutes**

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

THAT the minutes of August 12, 2015 Police Services Board meeting be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made, CARRIED

B. Public Meetings/ Deputations

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B.1 Statutory Public Meetings

N/A

B.2 Deputation

N/A

C. Staff Reports

C.1 Detachment Commander's Report (verbal)

Philip Browne advised that Chris Marshall has transferred out of the Collingwood detachment and has been replaced by Dave Epp who will take over the Provincial Funded Emergency Response Team position. Philip advised we will be transferring in another officer to replace an officer within the street crimes area so we will be running short for the next 3 - 4 months.

John McKean questioned where does the canine unit come from, New Lowell, Orillia or Mount Forest.

Philip advised that when you ask for canine, the area is contained within reason. Philip advised that after the fact tracking, you can have 8 Emergency Response members within a quick team and a quick response.

Martin Mazza asked when will we be short.

Philip Browne noted that it will be starting in April 2016 and we will be short for the summer months. Philip advised that the projections we will be in the same state we are now and we will have the same number of bodies on the road that we have now.

Len Devine advised that the Community Policing After Six Event through the Chamber of Commerce went over very well. Len advised they talked about fraud and phone scams, got to meet with the Collingwood-Blue Mountains traffic unit and emergency services unit. The Blue Mountains Fire department had a tour and equipment display. Len advised that Larry Hall is stepping down as Chair of the Community Policing Committee.

Philip noted that fraud and scams continue to remain the highlight.

Len advised that grant money being utilized for ride programs will be \$17,797.00 for 2015 and 2016. Ride programs will commence November 23, 2015 and run to January 2, 2016 with one ride check per shift.

Len advised that the OPP are working on a method that criminal record checks are done through headquarters. Len advised that you can apply for a criminal record check on line but this service is not in our area.

John McKean asked why the crime rate is going down.

Philip Browne noted that the programs are effective which keep the crime rate numbers low. Philip suggested that patrolling has increased which is good and

the officers have been provided with more tools to do their job. Philip advised that our response time is good and noted we are a compressed area. Philip advised that security in The Blue Mountains is good.

Philip advised that the Community Services Officer is reaching out to the Manager of Security for Blue Mountain Resorts identifying property related occurrences and focusing control for a concentrated effort. Philip advised they are also reaching out to Municipal Law Enforcement Officers to do the same thing. Philip is hoping to develop something to move this forward.

Len advised that if there is a problem area, they will focus their patrol in this area at the time and suggested they can make recommendations to fix it. Len confirmed there is a lot of resort security on staff at Blue Mountain Resorts.

Len advised that STA occurrences are reported weekly and By-law charges are reported to Emily on a monthly basis.

Secretary to attached monthly By-law reports to the agenda.

Moved by: John McKean Seconded by: Martin Mazza

THAT the Detachment Commander's Report be received as presented this 18th day of November, 2015 and that the Report be forwarded to Town CAO Troy Speck and the Community Policing Committee, CARRIED

D. Correspondence

Author	Recommendation
D.1 OAPSB – Developing a New Strategy for a Safer Ontario	Receive for Information
D.2 OAPSB – 2015 Governance and Labour Seminar	Receive for Information
D.3 OAPSB – UK Police Focus on Public Risk	Receive for Information
D.4 OAPSB – Is it time for Montreal to replace its Traffic cops with trained civilians	Receive for Information
D.5 OAPSB – Ontario Looks to Reform Rules Governing Pay for Suspended Officers	Receive for Information
D.6 OAPSB – New OPP Board Reports – Recommendations From Haldimand PSB	Receive for Information
D.7 OAPSB – Support to Improve Timeliness of Investigations by SIU Letter from Toronto PSB	Receive for Information
D.8 OAPSB – Support for Recommendations to establish A 911 Cell Phone User Fees and Grant Program	Receive for Information
D.9 Kingston Police take SIU to task	Receive for Information
D.10 2015 OAPSB Governance & Labour Seminar	Receive for Information
D.11 2016 Municipal Policing Billing Statement	Receive for Information
D.12 Status of Provincial Appointments	Receive for Information
D.13 Why can't Ontario's police boards make police Stop carding?	Receive for Information

D.14	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services Non-Basis Constable Training Course Fees	Receive for Information
D.15	Community Policing Committee Presentation to Council September 28, 2015	Receive for Information
D.16	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services Special Constable Program – Changes to Legislative Provisions Conferred	Receive for Information
D.17	The Art of Leadership Conference	Receive for Information
D.18	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services Crime Prevention Week – November 1-7, 2015	Receive for Information
D.19	Bobbies on the beat coming to an end	Receive for Information
D.20	OAPSB – Patch 4 Patch Program	Receive for Information
D.21	Johnstone & Cowling LLP October 2015 Police Newsletter	Receive for Information
D.22	OAPSB – Input to Street Checks Regulations	Receive for Information
D.23	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services Common Sense Firearms Licensing Act	Receive for Information
D.24	OAPSB – It’s Never Okay – 2015 Summit on Sexual Violence and Harassment	Receive for Information
D.25	Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services Registration – Symposium on Risk-Driven Collaboration for Community Safety & Wellness	Receive for Information

Moved by: John McKean Seconded by: Martin Mazza

THAT this Board does hereby receive the Correspondence of November 18, 2015 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

John McKean noted there is a group in Thornbury looking to bring a refugee family to our area. John noted that housing costs are high.

Martin asked if suspension pay was a hot topic locally.

Philip advised that if an officers appeals, the officer could be off for over a year on a suspension without pay

Cameron Kennedy asked does the SIU look into that.

Philip advised it is another body that looks into this.

John McKean asked if the OPP have a form to fill out for road conditions,

Philip confirmed yes they do.

John asked this when our road guys attend the same scene.

Len questioned why would they be showing up.

John suggested that if the Town form and the OPP form was aligned, it would be better to defend our position in court.

Philip advised they have an Electronic Conditions Report but noted that everyone had a variation of the form. We can now tell where the accident happened.

John suggested that roads do a report and suggested they reach out to the MTO to get more consistent information.

Cameron noted that he has never seen a municipal roads vehicle at an accident.

Martin asked if there is a requirement for the Town to do this.

Cameron advised that the fire department does a form also.

Len suggested they discuss this with the traffic team.

John suggested it would be easier if everyone is using same terminology as the OPP.

Philip agreed that everyone should use the same terminology. Philip asked if the roads department ask for our occurrence number?

John suggested they should be asking for this and will check with the Town.

E. Other Business

Len advised that working with the By-law Department is working out great and advised they are looking at long term solutions.

John McKean advised that is good input and suggested we write a letter to Council that this program is working and suggest to keep it going.

Len advised that it could be a lot better than it is and suggested this item be added to the agenda for the next meeting. Len suggested the By-law officer should be out writing tickets and doing some snow patrol.

Philip noted no financial obligations now for the OPP and suggested discussion to better coordinate the time spent.

Cameron questioned if we are only talking about parking and not going to have officers going up to a door.

Len advised that if there is a noise complaint, the By-law Officer attends the property with the OPP. It is doing the off time that there is a need for additional items to be completed. Len advised that the Community Policing Committee brought this forward.

Philip advised that Caledon operates a 11 member traffic unit being paid for by traffic unit. They pay for court costs and the money goes back to the community. Philip suggested that this alternative should be looked at.

Cameron will draft a letter for the Police Services Board for their next meeting regarding weekend patrol by MLEO staff.

F. Adjournment

Moved by: John McKean

THAT this meeting does now adjourn at 9:30 a.m. to meet again February 10, 2016, at the OPP Station Boardroom, or at the call of the Chair, CARRIED