

HALDIMAND COUNTY POLICE SERVICES BOARD

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 25, 2012
Community Boardroom, O.P.P. Detachment, Cayuga
9:30 a.m.

Present: Jack Esselment, Chair
Stewart Patterson, Vice Chair
Lorne Boyko, Member
Ken Hewitt, Member
David Welch, Member

Also Present: Peggy Scott, Police Services Board Administrator
Inspector Phil Carter, Detachment Commander,
Haldimand County O.P.P.
Acting Staff Sergeant, John Murray, Haldimand County OPP

1. Call to Order:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Disclosures of Interest:

None

3. Additions to the Agenda:

11.1 Closed Session

4. Deputations:

None

5. Adoption of Minutes

5.1 Minutes from the regular meeting of March 28, 2012

**MOTION: Moved by S. Patterson and Seconded by D. Welch
THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby adopts the
minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on March 28, 2012, as
presented.**

CARRIED (Unanimously 3-0)

6. Business Arising from Minutes

None

Members Boyko and Hewitt entered the meeting at this time.

7. Correspondence:

- 7.1 Correspondence from Grand Erie District School Board dated March 22, 2012 Re: OPP High School Liaison Officer

The Detachment Commander confirmed that a Protocol had been signed by the Grand Erie District School Board and Haldimand, Brant and Norfolk OPP. The purpose of the protocol is to lay out the teacher's process for determining when OPP involvement is required. A copy of the protocol will be provided to the Board.

**MOTION: Moved by L. Boyko and Seconded by S. Patterson
THAT the correspondence from Grand Erie District School Board dated March 22, 2012 Re: OPP High School Liaison Officer be received:**

AND THAT a letter be sent to the Grand Erie District School Board clarifying that the Police Services Board does not give direction with respect to specific operational decisions or with respect to the day-to-day operation of the police force;

AND THAT the High School Liaison program is an operational matter and not directed by the Police Services Board.

CARRIED (Unanimously 5-0)

8. Reports

- 8.1 Monthly Report from Detachment Commander, Inspector P. Carter.

The Detachment Commander reviewed the reports with the Board noting that 9 of 11 categories reported are lower than the same period in 2011. Break and enters are up due mainly to cottagers opening for the season and discovering a break in took place over the winter. Thefts are mostly from vehicles that were left unlocked. Frauds are credit card and banking relating. The wind storm resulted in an increase in alarm calls. Most of the 911 hang ups were the result of pocket dialing and misdialing. Inspector Carter noted that foot patrols were down for the month and that a more balanced schedule will see this increased in the future. After reviewing the tabled Business Planning 1st Quarter Report the Board asked that future reports include a section on visibility.

In regards to the Peace, Friendship and Respect march that is planned for April 28th Member Hewitt advised that there is a public misconception of the role of the Board in regards to policing. The Board Chair noted that the Police Services Act lays out the rights and responsibilities of the Board and that being a Section 10 Board the Board cannot give direction with respect to specific operational decisions or with respect to the day-to-day operation of the police force. Member Hewitt also has concerns with communications surrounding this event, noting that a handout recently distributed to all the households in Caledonia indicated that Argyle Street will be closed. Inspector Carter confirmed that the OPP would only close streets if it was determined that there was a public safety issue and not to accommodate the group organizing this event. He also advised that material stating that the OPP would be providing security is incorrect. The OPP has never been consulted by the group for security and there is no partnership with this group as has been suggested. Discussion ensued.

**MOTION: Moved by S. Patterson and Seconded by D. Welch
THAT the O.P.P. report for the month of March 2012 from Inspector Phil Carter, Haldimand County O.P.P. be hereby received as presented.**

CARRIED (Unanimously 5-0)

10. Other Business

10.1 Recognition Policy Review

Heather Flaherty, Recognition Night Organizer was asked to attend the meeting as the Board was considering making changes to their recognition policy and perhaps doing it with Fire Services. Heather gave a brief history of Recognition Night noting that the Police Services Board became involved in 2006. This year will mark the 12th annual event. Two years ago Fire Services decided to move to a night of their own which is an invitation only event. She noted that in the past there had been positive feed back from the community for the recipients of the Board's awards. Discussion ensued.

**MOTION: Moved by L. Boyko and Seconded by S. Patterson
THAT the draft Police Services Board Recognition Policy report dated February 15, 2011 be received;**

AND THAT the Board continues with the recognition being included with the County recognition night.

CARRIED (4-1)

8. Reports Continued

8.2 Board Financial Reports and Current Reserve Figures

**MOTION: Moved by D. Welch and Seconded by S. Patterson
THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby approves the
Board Financials and Current Reserve Figures dated April 16, 2012, as
presented.**

CARRIED (Unanimously 5-0)

8.3 Memo from the Board Administrator dated April 6, 2012 Re: Board
Business Plan

**MOTION: Moved by S. Patterson and Seconded by D. Welch
THAT the memo from the Board Administrator dated April 12, 2011
RE: Board Business Plan be received;**

**AND THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby adopts the
OPP Business Plan for the Haldimand County Detachment as the business
plan for the Board for the 2012 calendar year in accordance with Ontario
Regulation 3/99 Section 30.**

CARRIED (Unanimously 5-0)

9. New Business:

None

10. Other Business Continued:

10.2 2012 OAPSB Annual Spring Conference

Members Boyko and Patterson gave a brief overview of the recent OAPSB Annual Conference held in Ottawa.

10.3 Crime Stoppers 2012 Recognition Luncheon

The Board Chair and Board Administrator noted that the luncheon was well attended with a number of awards being presented.

The Board Chair also noted that he had attended the OPP Western Region Awards held in Fisherville.

10.4 Action Items

Inspector Carter advised the board that John Cain, Chief Superintendent Western Region is scheduled to attend the May 23rd, Police Services Board meeting and Greg Skinner, Superintendent Western Region will attend the June meeting. He is waiting for confirmation as to when Commissioner Lewis may be able to attend a meeting.

Inspector Carter presented an index of the Haldimand County By-laws that the OPP currently enforce and noted that Ed VanderWindt, Manager of Building and By-law had been contacted and he confirmed that the index was dated and that there are additional by-laws to be added.

As for the cost for 911 hang ups in 2011, 830 hours were dedicated to 911 hang ups which resulted in a cost of \$54,000.00

11. Closed Session

MOTION: Moved by L. Boyko and Seconded by D. Welch
THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby enters a portion of the meeting closed to the public at 11:25 a.m. pursuant to Section 35(4) Part a) or b) of the Ontario Police Services Act, R.S.O. 1990 for discussion where intimate financial or personal matters or other matters where the desirability of avoiding their disclosure in the interest of any person affected or in the public interest outweighs the desirability of adhering to the principle that proceedings be open to the public.

CARRIED (Unanimously 5-0)

MOTION: Moved by L. Boyko and Seconded by D. Welch
THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby comes out of the closed portion of the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

CARRIED (Unanimously 5-0)

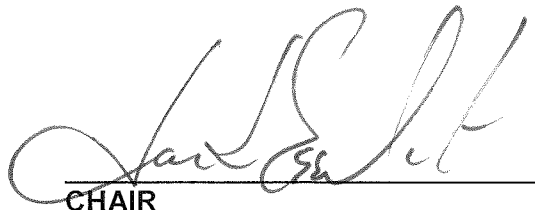
12. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Board was set for Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 9:30 a. m. in the Community Boardroom of O.P.P. Detachment in Cayuga.

13. Adjournment:

MOTION: Moved by D. Welch and Seconded by S. Patterson
THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby adjourns this meeting at 11:41 a.m.

CARRIED (Unanimously, 5-0)

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY TO COMMITTEE