



BOARD REPORT

Date: November 20, 2024

To: Chair and Members
Brantford Police Services Board

From: Inspector Kevin Reeder

Subject: Report on Section 81(1) Investigation (SIU)
(SIU 24-OCI-272)

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PURPOSE:

Section 81(1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act* directs that if the SIU Director causes an incident to be investigated under Section 15 of the *Special Investigations Unit Act, 2019* involving a member of a police service, other than a Deputy Chief of Police, the Chief of Police of the police service shall investigate:

- (a) the member's conduct in relation to the incident;
- (b) the policing provided by the member in relation to the incident; and
- (c) the procedures established by the chief of police as they related to the incident.

The Chief of Police shall report the findings and any action taken or recommendations based on the findings of the Section 81(1) investigation to the Police Service Board.

Section 8(3) of Ontario Regulation 90/24 directs that a Chief of Police who is required to report on an investigation under Section 81(1) shall give the report to the Police Service Board. If no criminal charges are laid against a member of the police service, the report shall be given within 90 days after the SIU Director publishes a final report.

Section 8(5) of Ontario Regulation 90/24 directs that a Police Service Board shall publish the report on the internet no later than 30 days after receiving the report.

BACKGROUND:

In the early morning of June 26, 2024, Brantford Police Service officers were investigating

reports that a male had stabbed another male and had fled the scene on an e-bike. An officer located the 49-year-old male person of interest and positioned his cruiser on an angle in front of the e-bike. The man struck the cruiser and was thrown from the bike. A struggle ensued as officers attempted to handcuff the man. After an officer deployed his conducted energy weapon twice in drive stun mode, the officers were able to secure the man in handcuffs.

He was transported to hospital following his arrest and diagnosed with at least one rib fracture. As a result, the SIU was contacted and invoked their mandate investigating the incident.

On his assessment of the evidence, the SIU Director determined there were no reasonable grounds to believe that an officer committed a criminal offence in connection with the man's arrest and injury. No officers were charged.

CONCLUSION:

The ensuing Section 81(1) investigation found the conduct of the officers involved in this incident fall within the duties prescribed in the *Community Safety and Policing Act* and in accordance with Brantford Police Service policies and procedures.

No deficiencies were identified with the policies and procedures of the Brantford Police Service.

As a result, no action is recommended to be taken.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT the Board accepts this report as required under the *Community Safety and Policing Act*, and

THAT the Board directs the Chief of Police to post this report on the internet within 30 days of receiving the report.



BOARD REPORT

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From: Inspector Kevin Reeder

Subject: Report on Section 81(1) Investigation (SIU)
(SIU 24-OCI-300)

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PURPOSE:

Section 81(1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act* directs that if the SIU Director causes an incident to be investigated under Section 15 of the *Special Investigations Unit Act, 2019* involving a member of a police service, other than a Deputy Chief of Police, the Chief of Police of the police service shall investigate:

- (a) the member's conduct in relation to the incident;
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The Chief of Police shall report the findings and any action taken or recommendations based on the findings of the Section 81(1) investigation to the Police Service Board.

Section 8(3) of Ontario Regulation 90/24 directs that a Chief of Police who is required to report on an investigation under Section 81(1) shall give the report to the Police Service Board. If no criminal charges are laid against a member of the police service, the report shall be given within 90 days after the SIU Director publishes a final report.

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BACKGROUND:

On July 10, 2024, Brantford Police Service officers were dispatched to a residence after a woman reported to police that a man had physically assaulted her in the residence. Officers were able to make contact with the man via a phone, and he eventually stepped out of the residence and was taken into custody without incident.

Following his arrest, the man was placed in the backseat of a police cruiser. When he was found to be unwell, paramedics transported him to hospital. He was treated for community-acquired pneumonia, a drug overdose, and a fractured right finger. The SIU was contacted and invoked their mandate.

On his assessment of the evidence, SIU Director Joseph Martino determined there were no reasonable grounds to believe that an officer committed a criminal offence in connection with the man's arrest and hospital admission. No officers were charged.

CONCLUSION:

The ensuing Section 81(1) investigation found the conduct of the officers involved in this incident fall within the duties prescribed in the *Community Safety and Policing Act* and in accordance with Brantford Police Service policies and procedures.

No deficiencies were identified with the policies and procedures of the Brantford Police Service.

As a result, no action is recommended to be taken.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT the Board accepts this report as required under the *Community Safety and Policing Act*, and

THAT the Board directs the Chief of Police to post this report on the internet within 30 days of receiving the report.



BOARD REPORT

Date: November 21, 2024

To: Chair and Members
Brantford Police Services Board

From: Inspector Kevin Reeder

Subject: Disciplinary Measures Imposed – Biannual Report

PURPOSE:

To provide the Police Services Board with an update on aggregate disciplinary measures the Chief of Police has imposed as required under section 215(1) of the Community Safety and Policing Act.

Section 215 (1) of the Community Safety and Policing Act (the Act) directs that chief of police shall report, in accordance with the regulations (O.Reg. 90/24), to the police service board regarding the aggregate disciplinary measures the chief has taken under Part XII of the Act. The police services board is required to publish the reports on the internet within 30 days of receiving it from the Chief of Police and forward them to the Complaints Director.

This report satisfies the requirements of the Act imposed on the Chief of Police.

The Chief of Police shall, at a minimum, provide a report to the police service board or the Minister under subsection 215 (1) of the Act by June 1 and December 1 of every year.

The report shall contain the following information respecting the period covered by the report.

This report will report will cover the time period of **June 1, 2024 to November 21, 2024.**

NOTE: This report will include disciplinary measures imposed under authority of the *Police Services Act*, RSO 1990 and the *Community Safety and Policing Act*, 2019. This report only lists the code of conduct in which disciplinary measures were imposed and is not a full list of the code of conduct.

Disciplinary Measures Imposed

(June 1, 2024 to November 21, 2024)

Type & Number of Disciplinary Measures Imposed
Each provision of Ontario Regulation 407/23 (Code of Conduct for Police Officers) made under the Act under which a disciplinary measure was imposed, which type of measure was imposed, and the number of times that each type of measure was imposed in relation to the provision.
See appendix A.

Suspension, forfeit of pay, reprimands, counselling, treatment, training or specified program or activity etc. (Without Hearing)
The number of times a disciplinary measure was imposed under section 200 of the Act, without a hearing under section 201 of the Act.
21

Suspension, forfeit of pay, reprimands, counselling, treatment, training or specified program or activity etc. (Following a Hearing)
The number of times a disciplinary measure was imposed, under section 200 of the Act, following a hearing under section 201 of the Act.
0

Termination of Employment or Demotion – Following a Hearing
The number of times a disciplinary measure was imposed, following a hearing under section 202 of the Act.
0

Suspension & Foreit of Pay – Average # of Days/Hours
If a disciplinary measure referred to in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of subsection 200 (1) of the Act was imposed, for each paragraph, the average number of days or hours.
5.6 hours

Suspension & Foreit of Pay – Total # of Days/Hours
If a disciplinary measure referred to in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of subsection 200 (1) of the Act was imposed, for each paragraph the total number of days or hours.
28 hours

Previous Disciplinary Measure (without a hearing) which have been subject to a hearing in this reporting period
Any imposition of a disciplinary measure under section 200 of the Act without a hearing under section 201 of the Act in a previous period that was upheld, varied or overturned following a hearing during the period covered by the report, and information respecting any consequent effect on information included in a previous report.
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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. The police service board accepts this report and direct that it be published on the Internet within 30 days of receiving it.
2. The police service board directs the Chief to forward this report to the Law Enforcement Complaints Agency (LECA).



BOARD REPORT

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(SIU 24-OCD-297)

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PURPOSE:

Section 81(1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act* directs that if the SIU Director causes an incident to be investigated under section 15 of the *Special Investigations Unit Act, 2019* involving a member of a police service, other than a deputy chief of police, the chief of police of the police service shall investigate,

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Section 8(5) of Ontario Regulation 90/24 directs that a Police Service Board shall

publish the report on the internet no later than 30 days after receiving the report.

BACKGROUND:

On May 30, 2024, while at hospital but attempting to leave, a man was tackled to the ground by a Brantford Police Service officer. The man was subsequently released by police and left hospital later that day. The man was again in hospital on July 2, 2024, on which date he underwent surgery for a ruptured spleen. He passed away following the surgery. A doctor at the hospital, examining the man's spleen upon removal, noted multiple lacerations to the organ and concluded that blunt trauma could not be ruled out as the cause of the ruptured spleen. The SIU initiated an investigation to determine if the force used by police on May 30, 2024, was connected to the man's death.

Based on the SIU's preliminary inquiries, Director Martino was satisfied the investigation should be discontinued. The forensic pathologist who conducted the autopsy on the man's body was of the view that deaths due to undiagnosed or untreated blunt force trauma to the spleen happened within two to five days of the trauma being inflicted. On this record, Director Martino was not satisfied that there was sufficient causal connection between the police force of May 30, 2024, and the man's acute medical crisis of July 2, 2024, to establish SIU jurisdiction. The file has been closed.

CONCLUSION:

The ensuing Section 81(1) investigation found the conduct of the officers involved in this incident generally fell within the duties prescribed in the *Community Safety and Policing Act* and in accordance with Brantford Police Service policies and procedures. However, two officers were found to have violated policy by failing to complete a report and/or notes.

No deficiencies were identified with the policies and procedures of the Brantford Police Service.

Both officers will be counselled regarding the policy violations which will be documented on Guardian Tracking (our employee performance management software).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

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THAT the Board directs the Chief of Police to post this report on the internet within 30 days of receiving the report.