



BOARD REPORT

Date: August 11, 2025

To: Chair and Members
Brantford Police Services Board

From: Inspector Kevin Reeder

Subject: Report on SIU Section 81(1)
Investigation (SIU 25-OCI-117)

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 services 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:

On March 25, 2025, officers were dispatched to assist EMS at a woman's apartment in the area of Wellington and Clarence Streets after a call was received in concern for her mental wellbeing. The woman was located on a couch with a boxcutter in her hand, as well as a large kitchen knife and prescription pills nearby. During attempts to negotiate, the woman suddenly rose to her feet and walked towards the balcony. An officer discharged his conducted energy weapon, and officers took her to the floor and handcuffed her. At hospital, she was treated for an overdose. She was not diagnosed with any serious injuries.

Due to the fact that the woman was admitted to the hospital the Special Investigations Unit was contacted and invoked their mandate.

The Deputy Director of the Special Investigations Unit terminated their investigation due to the lack of a serious injury involving the arrest of the woman by Brantford Police Service officers.

The subsequent section 81 investigation was conducted by the Professional Standards Branch to analyze our policies, procedures, and officer conduct.

No deficiencies were identified with the policies and procedures or services provided by members of the Brantford Police Service.

Further, there was no evidence discovered that suggested members committed misconduct or unsatisfactory work performance.

As a result, no further 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.