

BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2016
1:00 P.M., BOARD ROOM

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Brendan Ryan, Chair
Deb Cockerill, Vice Chair
Vincent Bucci, Member
Mayor Chris Friel, Member
Councillor David Neumann, Member

ALSO PRESENT: Chief W. Geoff Nelson
Deputy Chief Rob Dinner
Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Vice Chair Deb Cockerill

THAT the motions made in the in-camera session be ratified.

CARRIED

Chair Ryan welcomed Mr. Vincent Bucci, who had been appointed to the Brantford Police Services Board by the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario for a two-year period, effective February 24, 2016.

1. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

2. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Civilian Merit Awards

Chair Ryan indicated that the Brantford Police Services Board awarded Civilian Merit Awards to citizens who assisted the Police Service during 2015 and put themselves at some personal risk or substantial inconvenience.

Chief Nelson and Deputy Chief Dinner provided a brief synopsis of each incident involving award recipients. Presentations were then made to Gordon Worden; Don Howick; Paul Beal; Derrick Doyle and Nicholas Smith.

Board members thanked the recipients for their efforts.

3. MINUTES

Moved by Councillor David Neumann
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

THAT the minutes of February 18, 2016, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. REPORTS

4.1 Issues Update – Chief G. Nelson

Chief Nelson advised that he had attended a City Council meeting recently and provided a presentation on ongoing issues involving the Police Service. He noted their interest in the crime rate statistics and calls for service. Chair Ryan suggested the Board discuss these issues at the next Board meeting.

Chief Nelson added that an open house would be held April 2 to provide the public with information on the new initiative, Citizens on Patrol Program. As well, the Citizens' Police Academy would begin March 30. Chief Nelson reported that 70 applications had been received and was pleased with the community's ongoing interest. He advised that four Wilfrid Laurier University students would participate in a co-op program with the Police Service and complete 20 hours each. Chief Nelson then outlined upcoming community engagement initiatives, including the Copper Bowl, Copper Madness Basketball and Fill a Cruiser.

4.2 Monthly Statistical Report

Deputy Chief Dinner highlighted points of interest in the January 2016 report. He stated that although the break and enter (business) category had increased, an offender had been recently apprehended and charged with a number of these incidents. A number of crime categories were consistent, but indicated motor vehicle collisions were on the rise. He was pleased to advise that false alarm calls were down and attributed this to the implementation of the false alarm bylaw. He added that enforcement was up and spoke on the traffic safety initiatives that had been put in place.

4.3 Budget Report

The Budget Report, for the period ending February 29, 2016, from Inspector Kent Pottruff, was received and reviewed. Chief Nelson indicated there were no areas of concern.

4.4 Request for Financial Support

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Councillor David Neumann

WHEREAS a request has been received for sponsorship funds for the Putt for Me event, a fund-raising initiative for the Multiple Sclerosis Society and Participation House

AND WHEREAS the Brantford Police Services Board fully supports this fund-raising initiative for charity

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$300 from the Police Services Board Auction Fund Account to the Police Services Board Special Projects Account (132016) and that this amount be used to sponsor a hole at the Putt for Me event.

CARRIED

4.5 Dry Cleaning Tender

A report was received from Inspector Kent Pottruff indicating a bid from Burtol Cleaners was the only one received for the dry cleaning tender. He advised that they are current provider and have delivered excellent service during the past several years. He recommended they be awarded the tender.

Moved by Councillor David Neumann
Seconded by Vincent Bucci

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board enter into a two-year agreement with Burtol Cleaners to provide for their dry cleaning services from May 15, 2016, to May 15, 2018

AND FURTHER that the agreement have provisions that the agreement be extended up to two additional two-year terms if mutually agreed upon.

CARRIED

4.6 Amendment to Board Policy #00-50 - Explosives

Moved by Vice Chair Deb Cockerill
Seconded by Vincent Bucci

THAT Board Policy #00-50 – Explosives, be amended to reflect that the police service will enter into a shared services and resources operational protocol with the Waterloo Regional Police Service to provide the services

of police forced entry explosives technicians and explosive disposal technicians.

CARRIED

4.7 Review of 2013-2015 Business Plan

Inspector Donald Pancoe attended the meeting and his report on the performance objectives, indicators and results of the 2013-2015 Business Plan was reviewed.

Chief Nelson was pleased to add that all goals and objectives have been met, with the exception of goal 13 which dealt with resource planning. He explained that a proposed Attendance Management Plan had not yet been completed and implemented, but the task was currently assigned to the HR Manager.

5. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on April 21, 2016.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 OAPSB Conference – Niagara Falls

Chair Ryan stated that this conference would be held in May 11-14, 2016, in Niagara Falls and encouraged members to attend.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Vice Chair Deb Cockerill
Seconded by Vincent Bucci

THAT the meeting be adjourned. (1:55 p.m.)

CARRIED

The minutes of this meeting were adopted this 21st day of April 2016.

T. Brendan Ryan, Chair

Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant