

BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2018
10:30 A.M., BOARDROOM

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Deb Cockerill, Chair
Brendan Ryan, Vice Chair
Mayor Chris Friel
Councillor Greg Martin

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

REGRETS: Vincent Bucci

Moved by Vice Chair Brendan Ryan
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

THAT the motions made at the in-camera session be adopted.

CARRIED

1. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

1.1 Police Exemplary Long Service Awards

Constable Jason Nagy was presented with his 20-Year Police Exemplary Service Medal. Inspector Kent Pottruff was then presented with his Police Exemplary Thirty-Year Bar. The officers were thanked for their service to the community.

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
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There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3. MINUTES

Moved by Vice Chair Brendan Ryan
Seconded by Councillor Greg Martin

THAT the minutes of the meeting held May 10, 2018, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. REPORTS

4.1 Issues Update – Chief G. Nelson

Chief Nelson reported that a comprehensive review by OMERS was being undertaken to ensure the viability of the pension fund. He continued that no changes to the plan would take place before January 1, 2021.

He was pleased to report that the COPS (Citizens on Patrol) Program recognition event was held June 20 for the 73 volunteer members. He commented that this effective program was valuable to our community.

He further reported on a successful gun amnesty event which was held in the spring.

4.2 Monthly Statistical Report

Deputy Chief R. Dinner highlighted points of interest in the February 2018 report. Of note was the rise in thefts of motor vehicles from 30 to 55, year over year. He pointed out the decrease in impaired drivers from 13 in February 2017 to 3 in February 2018. A significant increase was noted in motor vehicle accidents, from 188 in February 2017 to 242 in February 2018. He noted an increase of 500 in calls for service year to date over 2017. Of concern was also the ongoing increase in overtime and WSIB absences.

4.3 Monthly Budget Report

Inspector D. Pancoe attended and presented his budget report for the period ending May 31, 2018. No areas of concern were noted.

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Councillor Greg Martin

THAT the staff report on the Police Budget be provided quarterly rather than monthly.

CARRIED

4.4 Income Services Report

A report dated May 31, 2018, was received from Inspector D. Pancoe, recommending changes to the fee schedule.

Moved by Councillor Greg Martin
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

THAT effective January 1, 2019, the Fee Schedule be amended to include:

- i) an increase of \$5.00 to each police check as follows:
 - PCRC - Employment to \$35.00
 - PIC - Employment to \$40.00
 - PVSC - Employment to \$45.00
- ii) an increase to the Records Suspension fees from \$30.00 to \$50.00 + HST, which is in line with comparators.

CARRIED

4.5 Request for Financial Assistance – Children's Safety Village

A letter had been received from The Children's Safety Village requesting ongoing funding for \$10,000 annually. Chief Nelson indicated he was in meetings with representatives of the Village and he would supply a report with a recommendation. This item was deferred until the report is received.

4.6 2017 OPP Activity – Brantford Policing Jurisdiction

Correspondence was received from Commissioner V. Hawkes providing a Statement of OPP Activity in our area of policing jurisdiction for the calendar year 2017. The statement indicated at 893.75 hours of policing had been provided. Chief Nelson stated that he was aware of the information gathered was from self-reporting and could not account for the activity. He added that this is the second year that the OPP are forwarding these Statements to municipal police agencies, and suggested seeking an explanation of the activity from the OPP through the OAPSB.

4.7 Request for Disposal of Unclaimed and Found Property

A report was received from Inspector D. Pancoe seeking direction and authorization for the disposition of found and unclaimed gift cards, credit cards and corporate loyalty funds.

Moved by Vice Chair Brendan Ryan
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board supports the recommendation of staff to dispose of unclaimed funds by donating them to Nova Vita

AND FURTHER that the Brantford Police Service be authorized to dispose of future unclaimed gift cards, credit cards and accumulated loyalty funds to a local charity within 30 days following the end of each calendar year.

CARRIED

4.8 Request for an Adult School Crossing Guard – Greenbrier Public School

Correspondence was received from Mr. Tom Smith, Principal of Greenbrier School, expressing safety concerns and requesting the placement of an adult school crossing guard at the intersection of Francis Street and Varadi Avenue, Brantford.

Moved by Councillor Greg Martin
Seconded by Mayor Chris Friel

THAT Engineering & Operational Services for the City of Brantford be requested to conduct an Adult School Crossing Guard warrant study at the intersection of Francis Street and Varadi Avenue, Brantford.

CARRIED

5. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next public meeting will be held on September 13, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.

6. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Vice Chair Brendan Ryan

THAT the meeting be adjourned. (11:20 a.m.)

CARRIED

The minutes of this meeting were adopted this 13th day of September 2018.

Chair

Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant