

BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2012
1:05 P.M., BOARDROOM

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Jean Anderson, Chair
Todd Graves, Vice Chair
Cheryl Antoski, Member
Mayor Chris Friel, Member

ALSO PRESENT: Chief Jeff Kellner
Deputy Chief Geoff Nelson
Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant

REGRETS: Councillor Larry Kings, Vice Chair

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Vice Chair Todd Graves

THAT the motions made in-camera be adopted.

CARRIED

1. PRESENTATIONS

1.1 Constable Natalie Laing – 20-Year Police Exemplary Service Medal

Chair Anderson and Chief Kellner presented Constable Laing with a 20-Year Police Exemplary Service Medal and thanked her for her service to the City of Brantford.

2. DELEGATIONS

2.1 Inspector Scott Easto – Survey Results

Inspector Easto reported on the results of a Public Survey and Business Survey.

He stated that violent crime, drugs and theft of vehicles are the biggest concerns to respondents. The survey results indicated that the public feels our top three priorities should be drugs, visibility and auto theft. Most of the respondents were satisfied with the work the Service has been doing.

In respect to the business survey, he related that we received 27 respondents to the survey. In most areas of the survey, the results were similar to the public survey, which may be considered corroborating results. The satisfaction rate of our Service was 85%, identical to those answering our public survey. Top priorities identified were drugs, visibility and theft. More officers or more visible officer presence was prominent in both the business and public survey.

Inspector Easto left the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
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There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

4. MINUTES

4.1 Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
 Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT the minutes of Board meetings held September 20, 2012, and October 2, 2012, be adopted.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS

5.1 Monthly Statistical Report – September 2012

Deputy Chief W.G. Nelson highlighted points of interest in the September report. He noted the decline from 2011 in sexual offences, robberies with a weapon, offensive weapons and thefts of motor vehicle. It was noted that thefts of motor vehicles had declined in September 2012 to 19 from 61 in September 2011. Theft under \$5,000 incidents had increased over the month to month total, but was slightly under the number year to date in 2012.

5.2 Third Quarter Budget Report

Chief Kellner advised no issues exist with the current budget. He anticipated a surplus for 2012.

5.3 Third Quarter Auction Proceeds Account Report

This report indicated that the balance in the auction proceeds account was \$44,366.76.

5.4 Third Quarter Complaints Against Police Report

Chief Kellner reviewed this report, prepared by Inspector Kent Pottruff, which indicated that six new complaints were received in the third quarter, while one was substantiated and nine determined to be unsubstantiated.

5.5 Request for Financial Assistance

Moved by Vice Chair Todd Graves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

WHEREAS a request has been received from the *Arts after School Kids Program* for financial support of their program

AND WHEREAS the Brantford Police Services Board fully supports the work of this organization

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$500.00 from the Police Services Board Auction Proceeds Trust Fund to the Police Services Board Special Projects Account (150500) and that this amount be used as a contribution to the *Arts After School Kids Program*.

CARRIED

5.6 Adult School Crossing Guard Location Annual Review – 2012

Chief Kellner presented this report, prepared by Sergeant G. Lee, of the Traffic Section. The report indicated that the program consists of 55 full-time guards, 14 spare guards and two supervisors. A survey of each location was conducted, resulting in warrant studies at five locations.

5.7 Closure of Brantford Jail

A copy of a letter regarding the closure of the Brantford Jail from Dave Levac, MPP to The Honourable Madeleine Meilleur, Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, was received. In his letter, MPP Levac indicated the community is of the opinion that closing the jail presents several negative impacts. He requested the Minister consider the request for a Regional Detention Centre in Brant.

Also received was a copy of a letter to Chief Dennis Poole of the Chatham Kent Police Service to The Honourable Meilleur seeking information on how prisoner transportation will be accomplished in communities where jails will be closing.

Chief Kellner advised that this issue was to be discussed with the Minister at Queen's Park Day, an event organized by the OACP. It was unclear if the session would continue due to recent political events.

5.8 Extension of Towing Agreement

A recommendation was received from Inspector D. Wiedrick to extend the current towing contract for a further term of two years, with the existing terms and rates. He advised the Service was pleased with the service provided by Ken's Towing and no complaints had been received from the public.

Moved by Vice Chair Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT the agreement with Ken's Towing for tow services be extended for a further term of two years, effective November 15, 2012.

CARRIED

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Board will be held on November 15, 2012.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Board Policies

Information was received from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services that amendments have made to the Adequacy Standards and provided sample Board policies to conform to legislation.

7.1.1 Board Policy #00-35

Moved by Vice Chair Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT Board Policy #00-035, 'Child Pornography' is amended as presented this date to conform to Provincial Guidelines.

CARRIED

7.1.2 Board Policy #00-55

Moved by Cheryl Antoski
Seconded by Vice Chair Todd Glaves

THAT Board Policy #00-55, "Equal Opportunity and Discrimination", is amended as presented this date to conform to Provincial Guidelines.

CARRIED

7.1.3 Board Policy #12-02

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT Board Policy #12-01, "Workplace Violence Prevention", be approved.

CARRIED

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Vice Chair Todd Glaves
Seconded by Cheryl Antoski

THAT the meeting be adjourned. (1:35 p.m.)

CARRIED

The minutes of this meeting were adopted this 15th day of November, 2012.

Jean Anderson, Chair

Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant