

BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2014
1:10 P.M., BOARD ROOM

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Cheryl Antoski, Chair
Todd Glaves, Vice Chair
Jean Anderson
Councillor Vince Bucci
Mayor Chris Friel

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

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

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 2013 Civilian Merit Awards

Civilian Merit Awards were presented to Mr. Dean Bailey, Ms. Melissa Davey, and Mr. Walter Norman, for assisting our Police Service, and by doing so, placed themselves at some personal risk or substantial inconvenience.

3. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

4. MINUTES

Moved by Vice Chair Todd Glaves
Seconded by Jean Anderson

THAT the minutes of the meeting held February 20, 2014, be adopted.

CARRIED

Mrs. Anderson left at 1:30 p.m. due to a previous commitment.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Monthly Statistical Report – February 2014

Deputy Chief Nelson highlighted points of interest in the report. He reported on increases to the robbery with weapon category, as well as the number of reported motor vehicle accidents. It was noted that the theft of motor vehicle category had decreased by one-third from 2013.

5.2 Monthly Budget Report – February 2014

Chief Kellner indicated the 2014 budget was on target.

5.3 Police Auction Proceeds Trust Fund

5.3.1 *Send a Kid to Camp Program*

Moved by	Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by	Vince Bucci

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$1,000.00 from the Police Services Board Auction Proceeds Trust Fund to the Police Services Board Special Projects Account (150500) and that this amount be used to sponsor two children in the Send a Kid to Camp Program.

CARRIED

5.3.2 *Canada Day 2014*

Moved by	Vince Bucci
Seconded by	Mayor Chris Friel

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$1,000.00 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 donation to the Canada Day 2014 celebrations.

CARRIED

5.3.3 *104 Starfighter Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron*

Moved by	Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by	Vice Chair Todd Graves

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 donation to the #104 Starfighter Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron.

CARRIED

5.3.4 100th Birthday Celebration – Retired Inspector S. Townsend

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Vince Bucci

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$100.00 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 donation to the Brantford Police Retirees Association to offset the cost of hosting a 100th birthday celebration for Retired Inspector Townsend.

CARRIED

5.4 Framework Agreement – Ontario Provincial Police

Chief Kellner advised the Framework Agreement for Services with the Ontario Provincial Police is reviewed annually. The Ontario Provincial Police have inquired if the Board would like to renew the agreement. Chief Kellner recommended renewing the existing agreement.

Moved by Vince Bucci
Seconded by Vice Chair Todd Graves

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board supports the recommendation of staff to renew the existing framework agreement with the Ontario Provincial Police.

CARRIED

5.5 Expanded Deployment – Conducted Energy Weapons (CEWs) – Tasers

Deputy Chief G. Nelson presented a report on the expanded deployment of CEWs. He related that the CEW has been in use by police in Ontario since 2002, but until now, only frontline supervisors and officers who are members of tactical units (Emergency Response Team) have been permitted to carry CEWs. In August 2013, following an extensive review of the issue of expanding CEW use, the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services authorized police services to determine which officers should be

permitted to carry the CEW based on their local needs and circumstances for the expanded deployment of the CEW.

A staff recommendation was received to expand the deployment of the CEW to include all qualified frontline response police officers. Deputy Chief Nelson indicated that if approved, this could be undertaken incrementally throughout 2014-2016 resulting in every on-duty frontline police officer being equipped with the CEW while engaged in their duties. This would require 40 additional units being available for pooled use. He suggested the initial capital cost would be approximately \$90,000, with annual operating costs for the 40 CEWs totalling approximately \$23,000.

Prior to moving forward, the Board asked that staff begin a process of community education and consultation process, to be completed by September.

Moved by Mayor Chris Friel
Seconded by Vince Bucci

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board authorize, in principle, the Chief of Police to expand the deployment of conducted energy weapons to include frontline response police officers

AND FURTHER that the Chief of Police undertake community consultation, which is to include an education component on police training practices

AND FURTHER that this consultation be completed by September 2014.

CARRIED

5.6 Three-Year Business Plan 2013/2015 Update

Chief Kellner presented a memorandum dated March 10, 2014, from Inspector D. Wiedrick, which provided the objectives, measurements and results from 2013, the first year of the three-year business plan. He was pleased to report that 43 of 53 objectives had been met and that things were progressing as planned.

5.7 Automated Telephone System Report

Deputy Chief Nelson provided a verbal report, indicating that the proposed modifications had been made to the system to correct inefficiencies and that another review would be made in 30 days.

5.8 Costing Proposal to Police the County of Brant

The Board had received information that City Council was considering a motion requesting the Police Services Board to provide a proposal to the

County of Brant for policing services on a fee for service contract basis. Advice was received from Tom Gervais, Police Services Advisor, Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, indicating it is usual to first receive an expression of interest in the form of a resolution of council requesting a proposal. He added that the development of a proposal is a major undertaking and requires a considerable commitment of resources, potentially including the purchase of consultant services.

The Board then receive information that Brantford City Council had not approved the above-reference motion, but will ask Brant County Council if they are interested in receiving a proposal.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next public meeting of the Brantford Police Services Board will be held on April 15, 2014, at 12:00 noon.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Request for Financial Assistance

Moved by Todd Graves
Seconded by Vince Bucci

WHEREAS the Brantford Police Association is hosting their Annual Charity Golf Classic on June 19, 2014

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 \$1,000.00 from the Police Services Board Auction Fund Account to the Police Services Board Special Projects Account and that this amount be used to assist with tournament costs for the Brantford Police Association Charity Golf Tournament.

CARRIED

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Todd Graves

THAT the meeting be adjourned. (2:15 p.m.)

CARRIED

The minutes of this meeting were adopted this 15th day of April, 2014.

Cheryl Antoski, Chair

Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant