

BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2018
10:50 A.M., BOARDROOM

ROLL CALL

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

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

Moved by Vice Chair Brendan Ryan
Seconded by Councillor Greg Martin

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

CARRIED

1. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

There were no presentations/delegations.

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 Vincent Bucci

THAT the minutes of the meetings held September 13, 2018, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. REPORTS

4.1 Issues Update – Chief G. Nelson

Chief Nelson reported that with the legalization of cannabis to take effect October 17, 2018, Service workplace policies have been examined to ensure that all members, volunteers and community partners embedded in our organization have a clear understanding on workplace expectations surrounding cannabis use. The policy on “Fit for Duty” requirement will be amended to provide a clear definition, as well as requiring all members to disclose when they, or others, are not “Fit for Duty”.

Chief Nelson was pleased to report that the number of opioid deaths in the City of Brantford has greatly decreased over the past year, and credits the Brantford/Brant County Drug Strategy, as well as the distribution of Naloxone kits.

He also indicated that in preparation for the legalization of cannabis, focus has been on preparing members to assess the fitness of drivers whose ability to drive is suspected of being impaired by drugs or alcohol. The provincial e-learning model is ready to be launched; however, the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services is delaying its release to incorporate changes included in Bill 36.

4.2 Statistical Report

This report was not available.

4.3 Third Quarter Budget Report

This report, prepared by Inspector Pancoe, was received. No areas of concern were found. Chief Nelson added that currently the Service receives a prisoner transportation grant in the amount of \$1.4 million. This grant will expire in March 2019 and it is unclear if the grant will be renewed.

4.4 Auction Proceeds Account

4.4.1 *Third Quarter Report*

This report, indicating the account balance of \$18,274.36, was received.

4.4.2 *Request for Donation – Mental Health Walk*

A request for sponsorship was received from Mark Stapleton, a volunteer with the Citizens Police Academy.

Moved by Vincent Bucci
Seconded by Vice Chair Brendan Ryan

WHEREAS a request has been received from Mr. Mark Stapleton for a donation to the Mental Health Walk

AND WHEREAS the Brantford Police Services Board recognizes this important civic event

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$250 from the Auction Fund Account to the Special Projects Account (#132016) and that this amount be used to sponsor Mr. Stapleton in the Mental Health Walk.

CARRIED

4.4.3 Request to Purchase Advertising – MADD Message Yearbook

The Board did not support this request at this time.

4.5 Third Quarter Complaints Against Police Report

This report, prepared by Inspector R. Paolini, was received. The report indicated that of the nine public complaints which had been received, six had been screened out by OIPRD, with the remaining two complaints being investigated.

4.6 Service Delivery Review Update

Chief Nelson handed out an update which he had received this date from Met-Scan, the consulting firm conducting the review.

4.7 Collection of Identifying Information Biannual Report

This report, prepared by Inspector Paolini, was presented by Chief Nelson. He indicated that an audit of field interview/street check submissions was conducted and revealed that none had been submitted in the first six months of 2018. There were 27 person stops recorded where officers interacted with a member of the public and the officer cleared the report as a “no report”. He stated that the Service is in compliance with legislation.

5. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next public meeting will be held on November 8, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.

6. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Vincent Bucci

THAT the meeting be adjourned. (11:05 a.m.)

CARRIED

The minutes of this meeting were adopted this 8th day of November, 2018.

Deb Cockerill, Chair

Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant