

BRANTFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2016
1:20 P.M., BOARD ROOM

ROLL CALL

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

REGRETS: Mayor Chris Friel, Member

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

Moved by Vincent Bucci
Seconded by Vice Chair Deb Cockerill

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

CARRIED

1. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

There were no delegations or presentations.

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3. MINUTES

Moved by Vincent Bucci
Seconded by Councillor David Neumann

THAT the minutes of September 29, 2016, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. REPORTS

4.1 Issues Update – Chief G. Nelson and Deputy Chief R. Dinner

Chief Nelson voiced his concern about the rise in fentanyl misuse in Brantford and advised that on October 19, police and paramedics responded to three overdose incidents in the span of two hours. He reported that a community roundtable had been convened in July at which time they focused on the health and safety of first responders. He added that fentanyl can be extremely potent and can be ingested inadvertently through touch. Naloxone, a nasal spray that can swiftly help reverse the effects of fentanyl, is now available for use in Brantford.

A second meeting had been arranged, to include more community partners, at which time they will hope to develop a communications strategy on the dangers of fentanyl, as well as a harm reduction strategy.

4.2 Monthly Statistical Report

Deputy Chief Dinner highlighted points of interest in the July 2016 report. Increases were seen in break and enter (residence), frauds and personal injury accidents, while decreases were seen in sexual offences and false alarms.

4.3 Budget

4.3.1 *Monthly Budget Report*

Chief Nelson presented this report, prepared by Inspector K. Pottruff, for the period ending September 30, 2016, which indicated 3.13% remained in the budgeted yearly amount. He added that he anticipated a significant surplus at year-end.

4.3.2 *2017 Operating Budget Amendment*

Chief Nelson advised that since the Board had passed the 2017 budget in June, a number of factors have impacted the needs of the Service and asked that the Board amend the figure from \$32,898,175 to \$31,783,690. He indicated that in the first version of the budget, included were not only eligible retirements, but their replacements. A number of notifications of retirement have now been received, which amounts to an adjustment of \$1,046,041. He also added that there had been an increase in the court security/prisoner transport grant of \$184,732. He also spoke about the implications of the Jordan decision, a Supreme Court ruling on disclosure, and software licensing and WSIB rate increases. The new budget number was a 4.06% increase over 2016.

Moved by Councillor David Neumann
Seconded by Vincent Bucci

THAT the 2017 Operating Budget amount, approved June 15, 2016, be amended to \$31,783,690, a 4.06% increase over the 2016 Operating Budget.

CARRIED

4.4 Third Quarter Auction Proceeds Account Report

Chief Nelson presented this report for the period ending September 30, 2016, which indicated an account balance of \$19,433.86.

4.5 Third Quarter Complaints Against Police Report

Chief Nelson presented this report, prepared by Inspector Pancoe, which indicated there were two external public complaints received over the third quarter, one of which was screened out by the Office of the Independent Review Director, and one complaint is ongoing.

4.6 Bylaw Amendments

At the last meeting of the Board, a motion was passed to increase the fees in Schedule B of Taxi Bylaw #99-01. The taxi industry had been notified and no feedback had been received.

First Reading

Moved by Vincent Bucci
Seconded by Vice Chair Deb Cockerill

THAT Taxi Bylaw #99-01, Schedule "B", be amended as follows, effective January 1, 2017:

Taxi driver's licence fee (initial) from \$25.75 to \$36.05
Taxi driver's licence fee (renewal) from \$17.51 to \$24.51
Taxi plate fee (initial) from \$46.35 to \$64.89
Taxi plate fee (renewal) from \$46.35 to \$64.89
Broker fee (initial) from \$94.76 to \$132.66
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CARRIED

Second Reading

Moved by Vice Chair Deb Cockerill
Seconded by Vincent Bucci

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CARRIED

Third Reading

Moved by Councillor David Neumann
Seconded by Vincent Bucci

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4.7 Draft City of Brantford Official Plan

Chief Nelson reported that he has asked for staff input on the draft Official Plan and would be happy to collate a response from the Board and Service to City staff.

4.8 Proposed Sharing of Court Security Costs

Information was received on Woodstock's proposed funding model for the sharing of court security costs. The model called for municipalities who also use the Woodstock courts to share the costs of court security with the Municipality of Woodstock.

5. NEXT MEETING

The next public meeting of the Board will be held on November 17, 2016, at 1:00 p.m.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Request for Financial Assistance – Santa Clause Parade

Moved by Vincent Bucci
Seconded by Vice Chair Deb Cockerill

THAT the Brantford Police Services Board approves the transfer of \$200.00 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 assist with costs incurred by the Brantford Police Service for entering a float in the annual Jaycee's Santa Claus Parade.

CARRIED

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Vice Chair Deb Cockerill
Seconded by Vincent Bucci

THAT the meeting be adjourned. (1:50 p.m.)

CARRIED

The minutes of this meeting were adopted this 17th day of November, 2016.

T. Brendan Ryan, Chair

Margaret Eves, Executive Assistant