

# Chatsworth Police Services Board

May 4, 2004 – 9:00 am

## MINUTES

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A regular meeting of the Chatsworth Police Services Board was held on the above date.

**Present:** Board Members Bill Coke, Bob Elliot, Cornelius Vlieland, Detachment Commander Mark Van Landuyt, Officer Ken MacPherson(replacing Officer Bill Heerschap), Grace Nayler, Secretary and Jnnifer Bell.

### Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

### Call to Order

### Adoption of Minutes

014/2004      *Moved by Bill Coke*

*Seconded by Cornelius Vlieland*

*That the minutes of February 19, 2004 be accepted as circulated.*

*Carried.*

Inspector VanLanduyt informed the board that as part of training the board will experience more officers at some of the meetings in future. The Sergeant of the day and one constable of his choice will be coming to experience a Police Services Board meeting.

### Information Correspondence:

a)      **Grey County OPP Report**

Detachment Commander VanLanduyt presented the Board with the OPP report for the months of February and March, 2004. The report has been designed into two separate sections. One section is narrative and the other is statistical.

Detachment Commander VanLanduyt informed the Board that Officers investigated a suicide. The investigation was treated as a potential homicide then ruled a suicide into the investigation.

It was reported to the Board that in the month of February there were five members absent from the detachment resulting in one vacancy.

The Detachment Commander VanLanduyt informed the Board that there was a public complaint received toward one officer regarding the release of personal information. The officer apologized and the complaint was withdrawn.

Detachment Commander VanLanduyt informed the Board that a Sergeant was involved in a motor vehicle collision in the month of March. A superior officer was called in to investigate. The Sergeant was charged under the Highway Traffic Act and an internal complaint was registered with the Professional Standards Bureau.

It was reported to the Board that Officer Ken MacPherson has applied for the 2004/2005 RIDE Grant on behalf of the Municipality.

**The Detachment Commander VanLanduyt reported to the Board that the Grey County Detachment has submitted a business case requesting 4 ATVs be deployed to the Detachment.**

**It was reported that seat belt enforcement had been lagging until a seat belt blitz commenced in April.**

**The School Partnership program has been a major asset. The detachment has already exceeded their goal for the year in VIP presentations and school visits.**

**Detachment Commander VanLanduyt is happy to report to the Board that 1 in 3 break-ins are being solved.**

**There has been an increase in Calls for Service. Calls for Service are not strictly Police being called out, but include other initiatives by Police that generate an occurrence.**

**There has been one motor vehicle accident above last year and no fatal accidents in the Municipality.**

**The hours of policing exceeded the contract hours. A question was raised on whether this increases the cost for next year and it is the Calls for Service that is looked at not amount of hours. This is due to the suicide investigation and a number of break-ins and theft.**

**There were 44 contract hours spent that were not billed to the contract. This is due to Provincial Matters involving Officers that are in the Municipality to complete a provincial mandate.**

**b) Township of Chatsworth Council – Re: letter to/from MTO regarding engine brakes on Highway 10**

**The matter of the Township of Chatsworth prohibiting the use of engine brakes in the community of Chatsworth was brought to the Chatsworth Police Services Board to assist in lobbying the MTO for signs. The OPP officers find it challenging and causes a liability issue if the Township bans engine brakes that are there for safety reasons. It was recommended to use advisory signs to discourage the use of engine brakes unless needed.**

*015/2004 Moved by Bill Coke*

*Seconded by Cornelius Vlieland*

*That the Chatsworth Police Services Board direct correspondence to the MTO requesting that they consider signage for engine brakes on the outside borders of the village of Chatsworth.*

*Carried.*

**c) Reduction of Speed Limits in Hamlet areas**

**The Township of Chatsworth Council have referred the issue of speed limits in the Hamlet areas back to the Chatsworth Police Services Board and OPP to map out and measure exactly what speed limits should be placed in Hamlet areas.**

016/2004 Moved by Cornelius Vlieland

Seconded by Bill Coke

*That the Secretary write a letter to the MTO regarding speed limits in hamlet areas as directed to her by the OPP detachment upon their assessment of the current signage. Carried.*

**d) OASPB 2004 Conference – Financial Support**

The Chatsworth Police Services Board received a letter from the Hamilton Police Services Board requesting financial support for the hosting of the annual conference of the Ontario Association of Police Services Board. Note the letter was received and filed.

**e) Disposal Procedures**

The OPP brought the issue of Disposal Procedures to the Chatsworth Police Services Board hoping that the Board would adopt this policy. Any items that are recovered of value are auctioned off to generate some revenue and other items are donated to the Salvation Army.

017/2004 Moved by Bill Coke

Seconded by Cornelius Vlieland

*That the Chatsworth Police Services Board adopt the Disposal Procedures policy of the Grey County OPP as the Chatsworth Police Services Board policy. Carried.*

**f) Annual Public Meeting of Police Services Board – set up**

A public meeting is held to address the citizen's concerns, issues and suggestions. It was decided to hold the annual meeting in conjunction with the regular Chatsworth Police Services Board meeting in August. The Public will be informed of the annual meeting through the newsletter and notices placed in the Community stores.

**New Business.**

Detachment Commander VanLanduyt requested at the Municipality's Alcohol policy be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Chatsworth Police Services Board will be on Thursday June 24, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

**Adjournment**

018/2004 Moved by Cornelius Vlieland

Seconded by Bill Coke

*That the Chatsworth Police Services Board adjourn at 10:17 a.m.*

*Carried.*