

# Chatsworth Police Services Board

August 23, 2006

## MINUTES

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

**Present:** Board Members Bob Elliot, Cornelius Vlieland, Bill Coke, Commander Mark VanLanduyt, Officers Tom Kennedy, Sgt. Dino Tsitomeneas, and Grace Nayler, Secretary.

### Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

### Call to Order

The Chair welcomed Sgt. Dino Tsitomeneas to the meeting. Sgt. Tsitomeneas is taking over the job of Sgt. Rick Sinnamon.

### Adoption of Minutes

010/2006      *Moved by Bill Coke*

*Seconded by Cornelius Vlieland*

That the minutes of June 15, 2006 be accepted as circulated.

Carried.

### Financial Reports:

a)      **June and July 2006**

**Commander VanLanduyt reviewed the OPP Reports with the Board members.**

**The Commander reported on the incidents listed as not of great significance and that there was very little overtime involved in the incidents. The Commander did want to focus on the notable overtime that was experienced otherwise. He reported that the overtime was a result of an incident in the May 2006 report and that after further investigation it was changed from an arson attempt to attempted murder. Due to the impact of this new information and the threat of endangerment to the lives of the family members, a considerable amount of overtime was experienced.**

**There were no public complaints however there were results from a complaint that was not satisfied with the results of the Professional Standards Bureau so the complaint was appealed and went to OCOPS for investigation. The results indicated that there was no improper action taken on the part of the officer and the case has been closed.**

**There were two summaries of tributes that were received, one in June for the appreciation and understanding of Constable Langhorn and one from the organizers of the Canada Day Concert in Priceville for the police presence that was at the event.**

**Victim Services is being utilized with a total of 65 referrals for the months of June and July as opposed to 6 in the same months last year. It is proving to be a very successful initiative that provides help to victimized persons who might need help. Police officers are very proactive in offering this service to victims.**

**The Commander made note of the increase in traffic collisions and has no explainable reason for why it has increased. There is a 7.5% increase in traffic accidents. It is speculated that there may be some influence from the construction activity on Highway 10, but, nothing concrete.**

**Contract hours have again remained consistently higher than the obligation from the Policing contract. This is of benefit to the municipality even though there is no extra cost to the municipality. The overtime hours although significantly increased due to one investigation remains lower overall than the contract hours allows.**

**Reflecting on the 2006 Business Plan Commitments there has been a slight decrease in driver contacts overall, but, an increase in cottage checks and foot patrol hours, victim service referrals and bike patrol hours.**

**Commander Vanlanduyt concluded his report offering the floor to Sgt. Tom Kennedy for any further reporting information. Sgt. Kennedy informed the board that shortly after the June 15, 2006 meeting, as promised, officers were in Williamsford to complete radar studies. The Mount Forest radar unit was also in Williamsford with their Laser gun. The results were that the highest speed result was 78 km per hour. They did experience the gratitude of the residence for their efforts.**

**b) Information from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services informed the board of the new more effective enforcement has been given to by-law enforcement officers and dog control officers to complete their responsibilities.**

**c) Information item regarding the Annual Report to the Community was viewed and filed.**

**d) The letter from Glen Stevens was discussed noting that historically the efforts to have the speed limit lowered through Williamsford has met with significant stumbling blocks for the reason that there was not enough density in the hamlet to warrant a lower speed. The board felt that they should revisit this effort and Bill Coke offered to start the process of requesting the speed limit lowered.**

**e) The Zone 5 Secretary Request for financial assistance for the conference in Owen Sound in 2007 is to be answered by the Chatsworth PSB secretary informing them that the board will be donating \$500.00 to the conference.**

**f) The letter send to Premier McGuinty was noted and filed.**

**Discussion regarding the new contract took place. The board is to consider what issues they think will be an influence on Policing services over the next 5 years. Sgt. Tsitomeneas will be preparing a minimum standard report to present to the board. There will be several steps to completing the contract negotiations.**

Some of the issues that the board needs to realize are that first of all there has been a ratification settlement completed for the current year and the next two years. The increases of 3.4% in 2006, 3% in 2007 and 3% in 2008 have been negotiated and will be experienced in future policing costs. The second is that the Chatsworth PSB has consistently been given a much larger policing service than what the past contract allowed. Currently the policing contract was based on 3.7 officers and the total contract amount for 2006 is \$410,043.

It was suggested that the Chatsworth Police Services Board should consider that this board is very similar to the Southgate Police Services and that our complement of officers in our contract should be reflective of the Southgate Police Services.

There are several steps to be completed to finalize a new Contract and the OPP will work together with the Board and then ultimately with the Council of the Township of Chatsworth to arrive at a new 5 year contract.

Sgt. Tsitomeneas is going to find out how long it will take to prepare a preliminary bare bones report for the board and a date will be set based on that information to have a Contract special meeting.

### New Business

### Next Meeting

Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup> , 2006 @ 7:00 p.m.

### Adjournment

*011/2006 Moved by Cornelius Vlieland*

*Seconded by Bill Coke*

That the Chatsworth PSB adjourn at 11:30a.m.