

# Chatsworth Police Services Board

December 20, 2007

## MINUTES

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

**Present:** Board Members Frank Beirnes, Bob Elliot, Cornelius Vlieland, Inspector Mark VanLanduyt, and Grace Nayler, Secretary.

### Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

### Call to Order

### Adoption of Minutes

015/2007      *Moved by Cornelius Vlieland*

*Seconded by Frank Beirnes*

*That the minutes of October 18, 2007 be accepted as circulated.*

*Carried*

### Financial Reports:

### Information Correspondence

**Item a)      OPP – Chatsworth Police Services Board Reports:  
                  October and November 2007  
                  Statistical Reports – October and November 2007**

The Chair asked the Commander to give his report on the above noted items. The Commander referred to the Matters of Interest, giving the Board an update of information subsequent to the Report itself. The Commander noted that the October incident regarding a mother reporting that her daughter had been assaulted while at her father's home. There have now been charges laid and the step mother has been charged with assault.

The October 2<sup>nd</sup> incident where there was an investigation through Children's Aid regarding a sexual assault. The matter has been concluded, and has been deemed false.

An incident on October 27 regarding a break and enter into a recreational facility and the equipment being tampered with and one piece being driven, resulted in an individual being charged with break, enter and mischief due to the individual's wallet being left at the scene of the crime.

An incident of November 13, 2007 where the Children's Aid Society reported on two unrelated sexual assaults, one of the two incident's has been cleared due to the death of the suspect. The other matter is ongoing.

A residential break, enter and theft on November 20<sup>th</sup> has resulted in suspects. This investigation is currently ongoing.

The Commander noted that under the Personnel Issues that there are two new recruits currently attending the OPC and that an officer from Wellington County will be transferring in to the Grey County Detachment. There are two more officers retiring on December 31 of this year.

The Commander was glad to report that they had received several Tributes during October and November. He also reported that there were 2 complaints received that are not on the report. They were both public reports. One was regarding an officer that was off duty but pulled over a vehicle in Owen Sound because he thought that the behavior of the passengers was suspicious. The manner in which the officer used along with the manner in which he dealt with the incident has caused the passengers of the vehicle to formally complain. The issue has been sent on to the SIU to investigate.

The second complaint was against an officer from the Mount Forest detachment whom the complainant feels was neglectful during a break and enters investigation. The matter has been looked into informally, but, due to the inability to resolve the matter, it too has been sent on to the SIU.

An Internal complaint was also received regarding a police officer spending too much time on the computer during and after hours. Upon investigation it has come to light that the time spent was on personal issues and non-OPP related use of equipment. The matter has been looked into and the officer has been dealt with and the issue has been resolved. The officer is donating 12 hours of his own time to the detachment.

The Commander wanted the Board to know that the vehicle has arrived that was generated through the Township of Chatsworth's contract, but, for Southgate and Grey Highlands, who are responsible for the costs. The Commander once again thanked the Board and Council for their significant help in this matter.

The Officer who is responsible for the Community Service that the above noted vehicle is for, has presented a report to the PSBs that are responsible for this officer, and the Commander has circulated this information to the Chatsworth board for their interests.

**b) OPP Estimate of Costs**

This report was noted and filed.

**c) OAPSB Annual Conference - Stratford**

The Board discussed the letter requesting donations and felt that the Board had donated last year, and so they did not see the need to donate again this year. One of the Board members feels that at

least one member should be allowed to go to the Conference and has asked that Council be approached to increase the budget to allow for this.

**d) Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services – Adequacy Standards Guideline** was noted and filed.

The Board discussed the service that has been provided by the OPP for the 2007 year.

*Moved by Frank Beirnes*

*Seconded by Cornelius Vlieland*

That the PSB secretary draft a letter to the Commander and his staff for their continued hard work and efforts for the 2007 year. *Carried.*

The Commander along with board member Frank Beirnes reported to the board that there has been an investigation into the noise issue of an officer whose dog has been barking constantly. The Chatsworth Police Services Board and the OPP have gone through the proper process to deal professionally with the complaint and after completion has learned that the complaint has been unfounded and therefore has been dismissed.

### New Business

### Next Meeting

**Thursday February 21, 2008 at 10:00 a.m..**

*014/2007 Moved by Cornelius Vlieland*

*Seconded by Frank Beirnes*

**That the PSB adjourn at 11:15 a.m.**

**Carried.**