

Chatsworth Police Services Board
February 18, 2010
MINUTES

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

Present: Board Members Frank Beirnes, Bob Elliot, Inspector Bob Mahlberg, Officer Rick Sinnamon and Grace Nayler, Secretary.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Call to Order

Election of Officers

The secretary opened nominations for the position of chairperson.

Frank Beirnes nominated Bob Elliot for Chairperson. Bob Elliot accepted the nomination. Cornelius Vlielandar seconded the nomination. No other nominations were forthcoming.

Bob Elliot was acclaimed to the position of Chairperson.

Election of Vice Chairperson

Chairperson Bob Elliot opened the floor for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson.

Frank Beirnes nominated Cornelius Vlielandar. The Nomination was seconded by Bob Elliot. No other nominations were forthcoming.

Cornelius Vlielandar was acclaimed to the position of Vice-Chairperson.

01/2010 Moved by Frank Beirnes Seconded by Bob Elliot

That Grace Nayler be appointed secretary of the Chatsworth Police Services Board for the 2010 year.

Carried

Adoption of Minutes

02/2010 Moved by Frank Beirnes Seconded by Bob Elliot

That the minutes of December 19, 2009 be accepted as circulated.

Financial Reports:

Information Correspondence

**Item a) OPP – Chatsworth Police Services Board Reports:
December 2009 and January 2010
Statistical Reports – December 2009 and January 2010**

Inspector Malberg reported on the December and January reports presented to the Chatsworth Police Services Board. There were several occurrences where clearance was completed during the months of December and January. These included clearance of a theft where the person was previously released on a theft charge. A person was charged with uttering threats to cause bodily harm and uttering threats to cause death. A vehicle theft where a purse was stolen and a credit card used resulted in a person being charged with theft of a credit card and possession of a stolen credit card. Officers investigated 10 traffic complaint occurrences, which resulted in a vehicle having an improperly placed validation tag and improperly secured child seat. Officers investigated 11 motor vehicle collisions. One collision involved two vehicles and was a fatal accident. A separate incident involved an ambulance and a vehicle which again resulted in a fatal accident.

Personnel issues were highlighted. Constable Benoit transferred to Eastern Region in late December. This leaves the Police Force short one officer.

The Cadet program is being discontinued. One Cadet was accepted into the recruit class and as a result of the discontinuance of the program, this Cadet will not be filling the vacant position.

There were two officers away in January. One has had knee surgery. The other has taken parental leave and is away at the Olympics.

Training has continued with 9 members taking the Mandatory 3 day Block Training. The GIT Course, a 5 day course was taken by 2 members. The Intoxilizer Upgrade, a 1 day course was taken by 1 member.

There were two complaints that occurred during the months of December and January. Currently, one complaint is being looked into. It was reported that fraud had occurred and the OPP having investigated did not feel this was the case. Several investigations are taking place due to this complaint. The second complaint is that the Block Training isn't enough for the officers and wants the officers to have more training.

Two letters of appreciation were received from West Grey Police Services regarding the search for a missing person in November, 2009 where the OPP assisted. The other was the Olympic Torch Run on December 28, 2009 where the OPP and West Grey Police worked together on this endeavour. These two programs went off very well.

Inspector Malberg wanted the Police Services Board to know that he met with the Amish elder. Tape has been ordered for all of the buggies and buggies are being marked with the florescent tape so they are more visible at night. The Inspector noted that this meeting went extremely well and he was grateful of the opportunity of meeting with the elders.

Several other Community Service events went off well including the School lockdown drill, Christmas concert appearances, and the officers serving Christmas dinner to students. This event went off especially well.

Several detachment initiatives including the R.I.D.E. program went well. The OPP liaised with West Grey Police Service to develop Mutual Assistance Cooperative/Integration. Both the OPP and West Grey Police Service are working on pooling resources to be more efficient and effective. The Inspector attended ethics class at Georgian College and found it to be very worthwhile.

January initiatives included being asked by the Principal of a Flesherton school to participate in Family Literacy day, reading stories to kids. This was well received by the students and much enjoyed by the Officers who attended.

The Inspector pointed out that he is providing Officer Activities by % of 100% of their total hours worked. He feels it is important to understand where officers are spending their time and give an idea of what makes up their day. It should be noted that Admin Duties includes training.

Financial Reporting showed that there was significant overtime in January of 39 Hours. This overtime was due to Fatal MVC on County Road 16 which took a significant amount of Officer Time.

Included in the Inspectors report were letters to the Grey County OPP, to West Grey Police Service and to the Owen Sound Police Services regarding Mutual Assistance Cooperative/Integration. The Inspector wanted the Board to be aware of this initiative and the success they feel it will achieve in the future in sharing their officers and duties to have more effective and efficient policing in all areas.

**Item b) Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services – Victim Safety Project Funding
To be filed.**

New Business

The Board reported to the OPP the incident where Highway 6 was closed. Traffic was rerouted by the people driving onto roads that will not take the traffic, or are very inappropriate roads to use for large numbers of traffic. The OPP reported that by the time they get to the scene of the accident it is hard to change the route traffic is taking.

The OPP realize that if the Roads Crews can get their soon enough, they will have a better chance of rerouting the traffic using detour signs to make sure the roads that cars take are roads that are able to carry the traffic better. It was mentioned that the Roads Foreman had met with the OPP previously to map out which roads could be used in these emergencies.

The Inspector reported that in the months following, there will be an additional report with a breakdown of the Crime Scene information. Detectives are now on shifts the same as the regular

Officers. This is saving on overtime. Detectives attend every accident that is a fatality. Detectives are now there to talk with witnesses in the evenings instead of trying to reach them through the daytime when they are at work. The Inspector feels this change is working out very well.

03/2010 Moved by Frank Beirnes

Seconded by Bob Elliot

That the Computer Lease provided by the Township of Chatsworth be continued for the next four years. Carried.

04/2010 Moved by Frank Beirnes

Seconded by Bob Elliot

That the PSB adjourn at 10:55 a.m.

Carried

Next Meeting

Thursday April 15th, 2010 10:00 am