

Township of Chatsworth Police Services Board
February 20, 2014
MINUTES

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

Present:

Board Members:

Bob Elliot - Community Member
Cornelius Vlieland – Council Member
Frank Beirnes – Provincial Member

OPP Detachment Members:

Staff Sergeant Phil Mann
Officer Terry Ward

Staff:

Grace Nayler, Secretary.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None.

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 Vlieland seconded the nomination. No other nominations were forthcoming.

Bob Elliot was acclaimed to the position of Chairperson.

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

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

Frank Beirnes was acclaimed to the position of Vice-Chairperson

01/2014 Moved by Cornelius Vlieland

Seconded by Bob Elliot

Be it resolved that Grace Nayler be appointed as the Chatsworth Police Services Board secretary for the 2014 year.

Carried.

Adoption of Agenda

02/2014 Moved by Frank Beirnes

Seconded by Cornelius Vlieland

Be it resolved that the Township of Chatsworth Police Services Board Agenda for the February 20, 2014 meeting be approved as circulated.

Carried

Adoption of Minutes

03/2014 Moved by Cornelius Vlieland

Seconded by Bob Elliot

Be it resolved that the Township of Chatsworth Police Services Board Minutes of December 19, 2013 be approved as circulated.

Carried

Information Correspondence

- Item a) OPP – Chatsworth Police Services Board Reports:
 December 2013 and January 2014
 Statistical Reports – December 2013
 Monthly Crime Analysis Reports December 2013 and January 2014

Chatsworth Police Services Board Report
Noteworthy Occurrences

The Staff Sergeant’s highlights included an incident with an 18 year old male who was apprehended as per the Mental Health Act and was transported to hospital for examination.

Information received by the OPP resulted in marihuana being seized and a 41 year old female being charged with possession.

A domestic dispute investigation resulted in a 43 year old male being charged with assault and breach of probation.

A 55 year old female was apprehended as a result of information received by the OPP under the Mental Health Act and transported to hospital for treatment.

OPP officers were dispatched by the Owen Sound Police Service to check a residence for an elope from the Grey Bruce Regional Health Center where the elope was being held as per the Mental Health Act. The residence was checked with a negative results.

On-Going Investigations

A soda vending machine was damaged and the change inside taken. There were no suspects. The Street Crimes officer, a new unit with the OPP was deployed for this issue. This unit has a travelling crime crew.

A sexual assault that was reported resulted in a suspect being identified.

A fraud involving TELUS Mobility was reported with no suspects. It is difficult to find suspects in fraud activity such as this incident. These types of fraud can happen very easily to someone. If it sounds too good to be true, it usually is.

The electronic waste bin located at the Chatsworth landfill site was broken into. The Property Crimes and Street Crimes program unit were deployed in this case. They are looking into ways of prevention.

Crime Unit Operations

Chatsworth had no incidents for December, 2013 and one incident in January 2014 being a sexual assault. Having low numbers of incidents is good news for the Municipality.

Tributes

There were four tributes in the month of December.

Personnel Issues

Two members of the detachment remain off on maternity/parental leave.

The canine unit officer has retired. The OPP has recruited a new officer and two new dogs that are currently in training. If the canine unit needs to be deployed before the new officer starts they will be accessing the former team for assistance.

Two members were deployed to Pikangikum for part of January. This is a difficult area with a lot of problems which gives officers good experience and training.

Training

Training was busy for the months of December and January. Both annual and additional enhancement courses were experienced by 29 officers in total. A leadership coach program is spearheaded by Detachment Commander Mike Guilfoyle and other officers. A Drug Recognition and Evaluation Course were held in Florida. The officer attending will have experienced an intense two weeks of training that helps identify and recognize drug use in individuals which is extremely hard to detect. An asset forfeiture course was attended by a Crime Unit member. This course includes proceeds of crime usually drug related crimes and seizure of property.

Media Relations

There were 12 releases on Plan Ahead for New Years' Eve and Winter Road Safety Messages in December and 49 releases on Road Closures in January.

Community Service Report

December involved Drug Abuse Resistance Education and winter safety reminders prior to the school break. January included ongoing D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) classes and Amish Liaison visits.

Detachment Initiatives

Initiatives in December included the OPP KIDS program, a province wide program led by the OPP. This program adapts to local areas and needs and is a very low cost effective program that has been developed

Initiatives in January included Safe snowmobiling, melting Ice and unsafe conditions and Festive RIDE Wrap Up.

Auxiliary Unit

Auxiliary Unit hours resulted in 187 hours in December and 193.75 hours in January. This unit is made up of volunteers who are a great asset to the Detachment.

POA Enforcement

POA Enforcement shows an increase for December in Provincial Highways compared to previous years, and a decrease in January due to road closures. This trend will probably follow through into February due to the weather deterring patrols.

Officers Activities

Obligated duties reflected an increase from the same time in the previous year, along with Patrol hours which increased in December, but remained much the same in January. Officers can now monitor roads while working on reports at the same time.

Statistical Reports – December, 2013

Occurrences had a slight reduction of 10.04 % from this time last year. This is a trend that is being seen across the province.

Motor Vehicle Collisions were down 11.90% from last year.

Contract Hours show a decrease of 18.67%. Contract hours always exceed the minimum monthly obligation as a result of the Detachment being in Chatsworth. The Detachment is concentrating on making sure officers meet the requirements but not over service the area.

Overtime Hours were down significantly from the previous year by 47.31%.

Seatbelt Enforcement was down 27.62%. Currently there is a 95% compliance rate for seatbelt use across the province. There is no expectation for it to rise any more than that.

Night Time Ride Hours was down by 2.89%. There is more focus on daytime RIDE programs.

Driver Contacts were down 0.44%. The number of driver contacts overall is good.

Arrests – CC Drinking & Driving Offences was down 15.71%. This is always a positive result.

Personal Injury Motor Vehicle Collisions results showed a significant increase of 20.48%. One of the main reasons other than weather conditions currently is distracted driving. It is a serious problem.

Property Crime Clearance Rate was down 0.64%. Junior officers are teaming up the Crime Unit for training courses.

Bike Patrol is down 106.93%. Bike training has not been obtainable in the past. Spring training is being provided for 5 officers in April. There is a limited amount of instructors.

Foot Patrol was down 3.67%. The Staff Sergeant is working with the officers to improve their time to include more foot patrol.

Monthly Crime Analysis Reports – for all of Grey County shows a drop in Assault of 88%, Break & Enter 0%, Auto Theft increased 200%, Theft Under drop of 44% and Mischief down 46%. This report helps determine where officers should be deployed.

04/2014 Moved by Frank Beirnes

Seconded by Cornelius Vlieland

Be it resolved that the Township of Chatsworth Police Services Board accept the Detachment Commanders Report for December 2013 and January 2014, the December 2013 and January 2014 Business Plan Commitments Progress Reports, the Chatsworth Police Services Board Statistical Reports for December 2013 and January 2014 and the Monthly Crime Analysis Reports for the months of December 2013 and January 2014.

Carried

New Business

Next Meeting


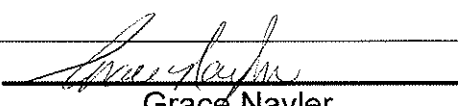

Thursday April 17, 2014 – 10:00

05/2014 Moved by Cornelius Vlieland

Seconded by Frank Beirnes

Be it resolved that the Township of Chatsworth Police Services Board adjourn at 11:08 a.m.

Carried.

Signing Authority	 Bob Elliot	 Grace Nayler
Function:	Chairman	Secretary
Date:	14/04/22 	Apr. 22/14 