

# SOUTH HURON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

South Huron Municipal Office – Verity Room Tuesday, November 14, 2017 – 3:00 pm

## **Members Present**

ChairJim DietrichVice ChairMark HartmanMemberMaureen ColeOPPInspector Jason YounanOPPActing Staff Sgt Wendy BurrowAdministrationJo-Anne Fields

## 1. <u>Call to Order & Welcome</u>

- Chair, Jim Dietrich extended a warm welcome to the members and thanked them for their commitment to policing in South Huron.

#### 2. Conflict of Interest and General Nature Thereof

- None

#### 3. Changes/Additions to the Agenda

- The agenda was amended to add the following item under Correspondence: Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services

#### 4. Approval of the Agenda

#### <u>Motion – 44/11/17</u>

Moved by:Maureen ColeSeconded by:Mark Hartman

"THAT the agenda be approved as amended."

Disposition: Carried

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## 5. <u>Approval of the Minutes</u>

- Inspector Younan expressed his concern regarding the statement below from the October minutes of the South Huron Police Services Board –
- Member Cole noted concerns about the O.P.P. 2017-2019 Strategic Plan not being provided to the Board, although it was provided to County Council, and concerns that the Board had no opportunity to provide input into the Strategic Plan. Staff will ensure that the Strategic Plan is provided for the next meeting package
- Inspector Younan stated that he took offense to the statement regarding the Strategic Plan
- Younan noted that the Action Plan was provided electronically to each Municipality within the County in September 2017. All municipalities including Section 10 Police Services Boards received the plan in the same manner
- The October PSB Minutes state that the OPP did not seek input into the development of the Action Plan, which is not correct. The OPP held a consultative meeting in October 2016 with every Huron County Municipality and Police Services Board, for the express purpose of listening to input, goals and objectives in anticipation of developing the 2017 – 2019 Action Plan. Chair Dietrich and Member Cole were in attendance at that meeting. Member Cole contributed in the meeting and was so noted. Inspector Younan viewed the comments of Member Cole as incorrect, placing the police in a bad light
- Member Cole responded that when she made the comment at the October meeting regarding input into the Strategic Plan, no other member of the PSB corrected her regarding consultation
- Vice Chair Hartman noted that he remembered seeing a Strategic Plan, however it must have been a previous document
- Inspector Younan shared an electronic copy of the 2017 2019 Action Plan again for circulation with the November PSB Agenda

## <u> Motion – 45/11/17</u>

Moved by:	Mark Hartman
Seconded by:	Maureen Cole

"THAT the minutes of October 10, 2017 meeting be approved as amended."

Disposition: Carried

## 6. Business arising from the Minutes

- No business arising from the minutes

# 7. <u>O.P.P. Report</u>

- Detailed reports were distributed prior to the meeting for review and to allow for effective discussion at the Board meeting
- Acting Staff Sgt. Burrow reviewed the Crime and Traffic reports for the month of October
- Efforts of the Street Crime Unit has realized more success in operations
- Clearance rates 18% is the average province wide Huron OPP strive for a 20% clearance rate
- Quick overview of the Media Releases was shared with the Board
- Highlighted that a suspect who had been wanted in relation to a number of criminal offences in Huron and Perth Counties has been apprehended
- Member Hartman noted that the timely messages shared for Halloween safety were nice to see
- Calls for Service Billing Summary Report was reviewed
- Overall billing summary is down 1,100 hours for service compared to this timeframe for 2016

## Motion - 46/11/17

Moved by:	Maureen Cole
Seconded by:	Mark Hartman

"THAT the O.P.P. Report be received as presented."

Disposition: Carried

## 8. <u>Correspondence</u>

- Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services Re-Appointment Provincial Representative Jim Dietrich
- OAPSB Bill 175 Police Services Act Chair Dietrich inquired if all Board members had received and reviewed the correspondence
- Inspector Younan noted that he received correspondence from the Municipality of South Huron regarding the Annual Billing Statement as well as questioned the hours and days of operation of the Exeter Detachment. South Huron had the opportunity to participate in a webinar hosted by the OPP Municipal Policing Bureau, however were unable to participate. Inspector Younan indicated he provided the correspondence to the Police Services Board as the Municipality is in a Section 10 contract and communication from the police should flow through the PSB to Council
- To avoid duplication, all correspondence should flow through the PSB rather than being sent directly to the OPP to avoid miscommunication. Specific questions can be addressed at the Police Services Board with a response to Council through the Board representative. This practice is far more effective. Member Cole was asked to clarify the letter from Council and she declined to comment indicating Inspector Younan could

write his comments down in a letter and respond to Council as she didn't want to be put in the middle between Council and the OPP. She could not remember what the letter was about or any discussions associated to the correspondence

- Inspector Younan reiterated that it is redundant to attend Council meetings and PSB and questioned the role of the Council representative at the Police Services Board
- Communication between Council and the Police Services Board should be filtered through Member Cole or the Chair. This practice would avoid reporting twice and allow for more effective allocation of time and resource
- The Exeter OPP office hours of operation are Monday to Friday 8 am 4 pm, unless the Administrative staff member is sick or on vacation. A telephone is located outside of the entrance door if required. Member Cole could not provide any context to the correspondence in relation to the Exeter satellite office
- The Chair or Board members were unaware of this correspondence and unclear as to why clarification of the operation of the Exeter OPP office was requested or the background of the inquiry
- Inspector Younan indicated he will not act on the correspondence at this time until the Police Services Board and Council can clarify their preferred method of communication and roles
- In future, request that all questions pertaining to the PSB be directed through the Board Chair for response

# 9. <u>New Business</u>

- None

# 10. <u>Unfinished Business</u>

- Grand Cove presentation October 24, 2017
- Chair Dietrich thanked Inspector Younan for his part in arranging for Jamie Stanley to attend Grand Cove – excellent presentation – engaged the audience and presentation was well received by the individuals in attendance

# 11. Date of Next Meeting

- Next meeting regular will be held at the South Huron Municipal Office on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 4:05 pm or sooner at the call of the Chair.

## 12. Adjournment

<u>Motion – 47/11/17</u>

Moved by:	Mark Hartman
Seconded by:	Maureen Cole

"THAT the meeting be adjourned at 3:50 pm."

Disposition: Carried

Chair – J. Dietrich

Recording Secretary – J. Fields

Date