

MINUTES OF THE HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

Thursday, March 12, 2020
1:00 pm
Hamilton City Hall
Council Chambers

The Police Services Board met.

There were present: Fred Eisenberger, Chair
Donald MacVicar, Chair
Fred Bennink
Chad Collins
Robert Elms
Tom Jackson

Absent: Patricia Mandy

Also Present: Chief Eric Girt
Deputy Chief Frank Bergen
Deputy Chief Ryan Diodati
Anna Filice, Chief Administrative Officer
Superintendent Greg Huss
Superintendent Will Mason
Inspector Robin Abbott
Inspector Dave Hennick
Inspector Mike Spencer
Inspector Mark Stiller
Inspector Wendy Vallesi
Staff Sergeant Greg Doerr
Sergeant Paul Corrigan
Marco Visentini, Legal Counsel
Doris Ciardullo, Director, Fleet & Facilities
Leanne Sneddon, Director, Human Resources
Jackie Penman, Corporate Communicator
Sanela Rusich, Financial Controller
Jasbir Dhillon, Community Relations Coordinator
Christopher Herapath, Zone Advisor, MCSCS
Lois Morin, Administrator

Vice Chair MacVicar called the meeting to order.

Call to Order

Vice Chair MacVicar called the meeting to order recognized that the Hamilton Police Services Board is meeting on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, HuronWendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. It was further acknowledged that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and it was recognized that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers.

1.2 Additions/Changes to Agenda

NEW Consent Item 4.6: Ontario Association of Police Services Boards Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting.

New Business Item 6.2: Ontario Association of Police Services Boards Big 12 Director

New Business Item 6.3: Update from Chief Grit with respect to COVID19

New Business Item 6.4: Discussion with respect to the Hamilton Police Services Board Budget 2020

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Elms

Seconded by: Member Jackson

That the Agenda for the Hamilton Police Services Board Public meeting be adopted, as amended.

Carried.

Presentations**2.1 Members of the Month**

There were no Members of the Month

2.1 Hamilton Police Service Recognition: Certificate of Appreciation from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Major Crime Section

Chair Eisenberger and Chief Girt presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Major Crime Section to Sergeant Richard Wouters. Sergeant Wouters demonstrated flexibility and dedication while performing his duties and represented the Hamilton Police Service in an exemplary and professional manner.

2.2 Deputation: Jennifer Vermeer of SVN (stop violence now)

Jennifer Vermeer of SVN (stop violence now) to Provide a Deputation to the Board with respect to violence in Hamilton Schools provided a deputation to the Board.

Following the deputation, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Jackson

Seconded by: Member Ems

That the Board receive the deputation as provided, and requested that Chief Girt provide a report to the Board on the School Liaison Officer Program at Hamilton Schools which will include the costs and the upside(s) / downside(s) of the Program.

Carried.

General**3.1 Declarations of Interest**

None

**Consent
Agenda****4.1 Approval of Consent Items**

Moved by: Member Elms
Seconded by: Member Bennink

That the Board approve and receive the consent items as amended.

Carried

4.2 Adoption of Minutes – February 14, 2020

The minutes of the meeting held Friday, February 14, 2020, be adopted as printed.

4.3 Donation to Crime Stoppers of Hamilton (PSB 20-020)

- a) That a cheque in the amount of \$5,000.00, be presented to Crime Stoppers of Hamilton in memory of members of the service and their family members who passed away in 2019.

4.4 Auction Account Fund

Support / Upcoming Events
RECOMMENDATION(S)

- That the Board approve the purchase of tickets to attend Helping Hands Annual Fundraising Gala, scheduled for Saturday, April 4, 2020, Grand Olympia on Barton Street, Stoney Creek, at a cost of \$45 per ticket, to be paid from the auction account.
- That the Board approve the purchase of tickets to attend the 12th Annual Paint the Town Red, scheduled for Thursday, May 7, 2020, Michelangelo's, at a cost of \$150 per ticket, to be paid from the auction account.

4.5 For the Information of the Board:

- a) Year-End Report: Freedom of Information Branch Statistics (PSB 20-017)
- b) Year End Report: Towing 2019 (PSB 20-018)

- c) Correspondence from Gita Ramburuth, Appointments Officer, Operations Unit, Ministry of the Solicitor General with respect to the re-appointment of Patricia Mandy to the Hamilton Police Services Board for a further period of one year.
- d) Memorandum from Marc Bedard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to 2019 Novel Coronavirus.

Chief Girt provided an update with respect to the Hamilton Police Service response to COVID19.

- e) Memorandum from Marc Bedard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to 2020 Crimes Against Women Conference: Sexual Violence, Human Trafficking and Ending Violence Against Indigenous Women.
- f) Memorandum from Marc Bedard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Digital Motorized Snow Vehicle Operator's Licence.
- g) Memorandum from Marc Bedard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Revised Guidance Notes on High Visibility Safety Apparel and Motor Vehicle Safety for Police Service Workers.
- h) Memorandum from Marc Bedard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Tele warrants under the *Provincial Animal Welfare Services Act, 2019*.
- i) Memorandum from Oscar Mosquera, for Marc Bedard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Basic Constable Training Program – Allocation Request for May 6 – July 3, 2020 Intake.
- j) Correspondence from P.C. David Kerkhof, President on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Hamilton Police Historical Society and Museum, Inc., to Kyle Vermeulen and Ryan Howatt thanking them for transporting the 1856 No. 2 Police Station cornerstone from the Ontario Police College.
- k) Correspondence from Kosita Musabye, President, Rwandan Canadian Community of Hamilton inviting the Hamilton Police Service to participate in the upcoming special commemorative program scheduled for April 25, 2020.
- l) Correspondence from Nancy Smith, Executive Director, Interval House of Hamilton, thanking the Hamilton Police Services Board for the sponsorship of the Set Sail Under the Stars Gala.

m) Outstanding Issues as of March 12, 2020

4.6 Ontario Association of Police Services Board (OAPSB) Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting

That Board Members be approved to attend the OAPSB Spring Conference and Annual Meeting.

**Discussion
Agenda**

5.1 Year-End Report: Hate Crime 2019 (PSB 20-021)

Sergeant Paul Corrigan provide a presentation with respect to the Year End Report: Hate Crime 2019.

5.2 Year-End Report: Active Rewards – 2018 (PSB 20-004a)

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Chair Eisenberger

Seconded by: Member Elms

1. That the funds from the now inactive rewards, STAPLES/BORELLI, PAGE and SULLIVAN, in the amount of \$30,000 which originally came from the ISD Operating Budget, be moved into the Tax Stabilization Account.
2. That the following cases be removed from the Active Rewards list:
 - LAX, Morris – Active reward: \$2,000.00 donated by 3 local businesses. All monies have been returned to the original donors with interest, as follows:
 - Posner Metals Ltd.
 - Original donation: \$1,000.00 / Refund returned: \$2,803.44
 - Steve Szautler Sr. Core Industries
 - Original donation: \$500.00 / Refund returned: \$1,366.13
 - Ken's Salvage
 - Original donation: \$500.00 / Refund returned: \$1,366.13
 - STAPLES, William / BORELLI, Rhonda – Active reward: \$10,000 (\$10,000 is present in account)
 - PAGE, Jean-Paul – Active reward: \$50,000 (\$10,000 is present in the account)
 - SULLIVAN, Michael – Active reward: \$50,000 (\$10,000 is present in the account)

Carried.

5.3 City Clerk's Division, Council Follow-up Notice with respect to a Dedicated City-Wide Traffic Enforcement Unit and School Bus Enforcement Cameras

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Jackson

Seconded by: Member Collins

That the Board request Chief Girt to provide a response to the City of Hamilton with respect to a Dedicated City-Wide Traffic Enforcement Unit and School Bus Enforcement Cameras.

Carried.

New Business**6.1 Update from Jasbir Dhillon, Community Relations Coordinator**

Ms. Jasbir Dhillon, Community Relations Coordinator provided a presentation to the Board with respect to an update.

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Elms

Seconded by: Chair Eisenberger

That the presentation provided by Jasbir Dhillon, Community Relations Coordinator, be received as provided.

Carried.

6.2 Ontario Association of Police Services Boards Big 12 Director

After discussion, the following motion was approved:

Moved by: Member Jackson

Seconded by: Member Elms

That the Board endorse the nomination of Vice Chair MacVicar to the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards Big 12 Director.

Carried.

6.3 Update: COVID19

Chief Girt provided an update earlier in the meeting under Consent Item 4.5(s).

6.4 Hamilton Police Services Board Budget 2020

Member Collins requested information with respect to the new Traffic Unit which was approved in the 2020 Hamilton Police Services Board Budget. As a result, the Board revised the percentage increase for the Total Budget.

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Collins
Seconded by: Member Elms

That the Board approve a Hamilton Police Service Total Budget increase of 3.87%.

Carried.

Next Meeting of the Board

Chair Eisenberger announced that the next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2020, 1:00pm, at Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall.

Adjournment

Moved by: Chair Eisenberger
Seconded by: Member Collins

There being no further business, the public portion of the meeting then adjourned at 2:36pm.

Carried.

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Taken as read and approved

Kirsten Stevenson
Administrator

Fred Eisenberger, Chair
Police Services Board

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