



## **Kenora Police Services Board Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, June 24, 2021**

**9:00 a.m.**

**Virtual Attendance**

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Board met electronically as permitted by the Provincial Emergency order. Citizens and our media partners are encouraged to view the recorded meeting at:

<https://video.isilive.ca/kenora/2021-06-24-PSB.mp4.html>

**Present:** S. Dias, Board Chair D. Reynard, Member  
W. Van Belleghem, Member A. Poirier, Member  
D. Canfield, Member H. Pihulak, Board Secretary  
J. Duggan, OPP Detachment Commander

### **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

There were none declared.

### **Approval of the Agenda – Resolution #1**

Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by D. Reynard & Carried:-

That the agenda of the Regular Kenora Police Services Board for the June 24, 2021 meeting be hereby approved as presented.

### **Presentations/Delegations**

None

### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s) – Resolution #2**

Moved by A. Poirier, Seconded by W. Van Belleghem & Carried:-

That the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Kenora Police Services Board held April 27, 2021 be confirmed as written and circulated.

### **Business Arising from Minutes (Outstanding Items)**

#### **Receipt of Correspondence – Resolution #3**

Moved by W. Van Belleghem, Seconded by D. Reynard & Carried:-

That the following correspondence be hereby received by the Kenora Police Services Board:

- May 3 – OAPSB – Proposed Regs under the CSPA
- May 5 – OAPSB – Update – Detachment Board Execution

## **New Business**

Strategic Plan - It is important because of Police Services Act and will provide a basis of service expectations for the board going forward. We need to get something in place to help us going forward. The Board supports moving forward as strategic plans are important for organizations and provide guiding principles.

Dave would like to see a separate discussion at the September Board meeting on the OAPSB conference.

## **Detachment Commander's Report – Resolution #4**

Moved by D. Reynard, Seconded by D. Canfield & Carried:-

That the Kenora Police Services Board hereby accepts the Kenora OPP April and May 2021 monthly reports as presented.

**Discussion:** Detachment Commander Duggan reviewed the April 2021 monthly report statistics with the Board. They were very tied up with the border closure and lots of officers tied up with that border closure. He received many media calls regarding the costs associated are available through FOI requests. Officers were all on overtime and brought in from Southern Ontario to cover. Summer is officially upon us and calls for service are increasing. They are staffing up during peak periods and times. Marine patrols are out now and typically they register approximately 200 Sea Doo's per year and this year they have registered almost 400. Have noticed it with Sea Doo's, kayaks, paddle boards and are present on the lakes and waterways. They have 10 officers and are scheduled shifts not designated staff to these units but trained officers to the unit. The marine operators are scheduled 24/7 and have access to boats at all times but not always in the water. If they get a call for service there is an officer who can respond. They have 5 boats available to them.

To honour the days of the old paper tickets, they are moving to e-tickets now. Have to do training to the new e-ticketing system. Expect foot patrol hours to go up dramatically. Wants to see the hours higher. Talked about benefits of foot patrol and the public interaction. It's about the interaction with the public. If you are walking you are likely to engage with them. Makwa Patrol is out steady almost 24/7 and huge help for OPP. They call them regularly and will see calls for service is down and the officers are using the Makwa Patrol quite often and very beneficial for them.

Calls for April were 1,359 and May 1,550 calls for service. There is a decrease in sexual assault. The one robbery was through a local business in downtown Kenora is in custody. Property crimes are still unlocked buildings and sheds. Theft unders if the public would keep things locked we would be in better shape with these events. There are more vehicle collisions and the fatal was on Hwy 71 near Sioux Narrows. Cruiser patrol hours 563.75 and foot patrol hours were 82 in April.

May report for theft over has increased those are mostly related to one person who has been identified and CSU is working on this. It is related to boats, motors, vehicles and working on it. A lot of theft under's in May from LCBO, bikes being stolen and wallets from unlocked vehicles. Typically they have a security guard that works in summer months

going to check in and see what doing with that for summer months. Drug crimes are a direct result of projects they are working on. Clearance rates are all above normal and the Northwest region clearance rates are best in the province. 10 impaired in May which has increased. 544 cruiser patrol hours in May and 95.25 foot patrol hours. Jeff will report marine patrol hours at a later date. The ATV patrol are specific trained officers who are trained and are primarily used to patrol the tent city areas.

### **Next Meeting Date**

- September 30, 2021 @ 9:00 .m. City Hall Council Chambers

### **Adjourn to Closed Session – Resolution #5**

Moved by D. Canfield, Seconded by W. Van Belleghem & Carried:-

That in accordance with Subsection 35(4) of the Police Services Act, authorization is now given for the Police Services Board to adjourn to a closed session at 9:50 a.m. under section:

(b) Intimate financial or personal matters (1 item)

### **Reconvene & Adjournment – Resolution #6**

Moved by W. Van Belleghem, Seconded by A. Poirier & Carried:-

That the Board reconvenes to its open session at 9:57 a.m. with no reports from its closed session; and further

That the Regular Kenora Police Services Board meeting be hereby adjourned at 9:57 a.m.