



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

Tuesday, May 7, 2019  
9:00 a.m.

Kenora OPP Hwy 17A Detachment Boardroom

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**Present:** Sara Dias, Board Chair  
Dan Reynard, Member  
Whitney Van Belleghem, Member  
Andrew Poirier, Member  
Jeff Duggan, OPP Detachment Commander  
Heather Pihulak, Board Secretary

**Media Present:** Daily Miner & News, Kenora On-line/Q104

### **1. Oath of Office – A. Poirier**

Board Secretary Heather Pihulak swore in new Board member Andrew Poirier to the Board.

### **2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no declarations of Pecuniary Interest by any member of the Board.

### **3. Confirmation of Minutes – Resolution #1**

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 February 14, 2019 be confirmed as written and circulated.

### **4. Outstanding Items from Minutes**

#### **a) Primary causal factors in fatal motor vehicle collisions – reporting zero**

D/C Duggan is looking into why this number is still reporting as zero and this will be reported to the Board once determined.

#### **b) Strategic Plan (Jeff to provide to Secretary for distribution)**

D/C Duggan noted that the plan has not been approved yet and once it is, it will be sent electronically to Heather who will distribute to the Board.

#### **c) Prisoner transport costs**

This funding has been extended another year which will cover 2019 in the amount of \$101,000 to the municipality. This amount covers the cost for the City's portion of these costs. The City is billed for the two special constables and D/C Duggan

was looking at increasing the special constables but that will affect the City's budget so they have put that on hold.

## **5. Receipt of Correspondence – Resolution #2**

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

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

- February 25 – MCSCS – Minister re: Community Safety Plans
- March 1 – OAPSB – News & Updates
- March 8 – D/C Duggan – Court Security & Prisoner Transport grant
- March 8 – OAPSB – Submission to Standing Committee on Justice Policy
- March 8 – D Bruyere – Zone 1 fall meeting
- April 18 – MCSCS - Update on Transformation of Policing Grants for 2019-20 and On-going
- April 18 – MCSCS - 2019-20/2021-22 Community Safety and Policing Grant
- April 18 – OAPSB – Announcement – Ministry rename
- May 1 – OAPSB – News & Updates

## **6. Reports to Receive – Resolution #3**

### **Presentation by J. Duggan on the Operations of the Kenora OPP**

D/C Duggan presented a presentation to the Board on the operations of the Kenora OPP operations. The Board appreciated the presentation and felt it was helpful for the new members to understand the detachment operations and what is covered for City of Kenora policing versus provincial policing out of the detachment.

### **Kenora OPP January, February, March 2019 Monthly Reports**

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

That the Kenora Police Services Board hereby accepts the Kenora OPP January, February and March 2019 monthly reports as presented.

D/C Duggan reviewed the January, February, March 2019 monthly reports. He provided some historical data for 2016-2019. The OPP is developing their own criminal record system where parties will apply online and will reduce the burden on administration on administering these requests which continue to escalate. It was noted that once this service is introduced and done online, revenue for these requests will disappear.

Calls for service were 1,265 in January, 1,228 in February and 1,463 for March. Calls for service are going up. Violent crime in January were up from 3 to 6. Two were cleared by charge and 2 are still open one declined to go further. Break and enter increase from 3 to 8. It was noted that the same offender is responsible for

half of them and has been charged. Theft under is from unlocked sheds, vehicles and property and that continues to be an issue. They are looking to put together a media plan to communicate out about locking their property.

Frauds are up. There appears to be a lot of dine and dash from restaurants and seems to be a trend in January, February March. Admin staff are currently doing approximately 100 criminal record checks per month.

February violent crime sees a slight increase and break and enters are from 4 to 8. Frauds see a significant increase and D/C Duggan looks at all occurrences to ensure they have all been investigated properly. Clearance rate for February 80%.

One of the occurrences that gained attention in early 2019 was the fire hydrants and mailbox damages. There have been three youth charged with over 80 charges. Cost estimates have all been submitted to the courts for reimbursement but there were three youth charged with 80 charges total. Firearms and damages. There is a small group of youth responsible for the large majority of the crime.

Sexual assaults and violent crime is up for March. An oral fluid screening device is coming here and one of very few. It is technically roadside testing and there is a plan in place for deployment for that.

D/C Duggan provided the Board with Kenora OPP historical data between 2016 and 2019 for the months of January – March:

Calls for Service:

2016 - 3,265  
2017 - 3,387  
2018 - 3,943  
2019 - 3,956

Violent Crimes – Sexual Assaults:

2016 - 8  
2017 - 11  
2018 - 11  
2019 - 13

Violent Crimes – Assaults:

2016 - 68  
2017 - 88  
2018 - 83  
2019 - 71

Robbery:

2016 - 0  
2017 - 5  
2018 - 7  
2019 - 3

Break and enter:

2016 - 25  
2017 - 15  
2018 - 12  
2019 - 25

Theft Under:

2016 - 61  
2017 - 36  
2018 - 116  
2019 - 105

Fraud:

2016 - 15  
2017 - 12  
2018 - 35  
2019 - 24

Mischief:

2016 - 18  
2017 - 24  
2018 - 29  
2019 - 32

Highway Traffic Act:

2016 - 144  
2017 - 94  
2018 - 318  
2019 - 132

Criminal Code Non-Traffic:

2016 - 429  
2017 - 421  
2018 - 520  
2019 - 455

Traffic Related Speeding:

2016 - 23  
2017 - 20

2018 – 143

2019 – 57

Impaired:

2016 – 22

2017 – 15

2018 – 19

2019 – 1

General Patrol Hours:

2016 – 5,552.75

2017 – 4,023.25

2018 – 1,524

2019 – 1,112.75

Foot Patrol Hours:

2016 – 396.75

2017 – 198

2018 – 111.25

2019 – 122.25

Officers have a lot more directed patrol. They are told where to directly patrol. Those directed patrol hours are a lot higher. Downtown and the northern area and that is the difference in reporting itself.

Foot patrol hours are down which is a direct result of all the criminal activity and they are responding to those calls. There will be two full time officers downtown for daytime in the summer. The Community Service officers will be going downtown once they are done in the schools. Otherwise the plan is to have them downtown for the whole summer while school is out. They are working on a program with Seven Gens and NeChee for a street patrol program and running as a volunteer program for police foundations and criminal justice program. These volunteers will be the eyes and ears for the OPP and if they see or hear something happening. Want to roll out before school is done. NeChee has a lot of open positions they are looking to fill.

Foot patrol is assigned daily during the shift briefing report that is gone through daily and officers are assigned into foot patrol duties. Each officer is designed that is on top of community services officers already there. They ask them to get that in during their 12 hours shift. Officers do hour and a half of school patrol in the day. A large majority of calls for service are downtown.

The Community justice centre will help this situation and what that is going to look like is still unknown. There will be a number of them across the province. In Kenora we need to come up with some projects that will be fully funded by MAG. In the

future there would be a permanent community justice centre. Why are we clogging up court system so we could use these systems more effectively.

Mental health calls be part of the report. January to March 68 calls for service regarding mental health strictly mental health. 27% were voluntary to hospital 49% was involuntary.

Officers have to account for their time every half an hour. They are coded and just for the City of Kenora. In January to March the officers spend 15,808 hours doing work. There is only 137 foot patrol hours but there is 15,808 hours doing work.

Board Chair S. Dias thanked D/C Duggan for the report and the information. It is appreciated by the Board.

## **7. New Business**

**OAPSB Spring Conference Attendance** - The only Board member that could potentially attend this year is Whitney. She will confirm with her office and get back to Heather for arrangements if she can attend.

**Kenora Police Services Board Policies & Protocols** – The Board was provided with the policies and protocols and at some point these should be reviewed by the Board.

Board Chair, S. Dias, reminded D/C that the Board is required to provide an annual public meeting on policing in our community. D/C Duggan is more than and more than happy to do that and may be good timing with the concerns coming forward from the public with regards to the downtown. Will coordinate through Heather.

Board Chair, S. Dias, reminded the Board that we are also responsible for the performance review of the Detachment Commander. Board member Poirier advised that his last recollection of a review was when David Lucas was the D/C within last previous four year term on the Board. His review is every November and Sara will reach out to her colleagues across the province for a template to use for this review. Any templates that the Board intends to use will be shared with D/C Dugan in advance.

Board member Van Belleghem questioned if D/C Duggan had an opportunity to pull together the list of MOU's she had requested at the last meeting. It was noted that D/C Duggan will speak to Whitney about this specific request following the meeting.

**Zone 1 – Save the Date – October 9 & 10 Meeting** – It was questioned who attends these meetings and the agenda structure. Board Secretary advised that it was a 2 day conference and that all of the Board could attend if they were available. There is no draft agenda available.

## **8. Next Meeting**

Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. @ OPP detachment.

## **9. Adjournment – Resolution #4**

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

That the Kenora Police Services Board meeting be hereby adjourned at 10:16 a.m.