



**City of Kenora  
Community Policing Committee**

**Minutes**

**Tuesday, May 17, 2011**

**4:15 p.m.**

**City Council Chambers**

**ACTION**

**Present:**

Bill Richards, Chair, Cst. Dave Cain, Diane Pelletier, Wendy Darling, Trudy Cederwall, and Joanne McMillin, City Clerk.

**Regrets:**

Councillor C. Drinkwalter, Cst. Ronni Grosenick, Kendall Trembath, Wayne Ficek.

**A. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest & the General Nature Thereof**

- i) On today's Agenda;
- ii) From a Meeting at which a Member was not in Attendance.

**There were none declared.**

**B. Confirmation of Minutes**

**Moved by T. Cederwall, Seconded by W. Darling, and Carried:**

That the Minutes of the last regular meeting of the Kenora Community Policing Committee held Tuesday, April 19, 2011 be confirmed as written and circulated.

**C. Deputations**

N/A

**1. Receipt of Correspondence**

Dave provided an invoice in the amount of \$1,801.20 for OPP Summer Camp t-shirts, from 4Imprint and gave to Diane for processing. Invoices totalling \$280.53 for the booth at the Home Show and the Distracting Drivers Campaign on the radio are also required to be paid. Diane advised she is making arrangements to close their account so eventually these will be processed through the City.

**Diane P.**

**2. OPP Community Services Officer Reports**

Dave advised the OPP received approval for three Summer Students between the ages of 14 and 17 and applications are being accepted until May 27, followed by interviews and a start date at the beginning of June through to and including August 26, 2011. The students will deliver various aspects of the Community Policing Program and assist with other such things as the Farmers' Market and wherever required. They will work out of the tourism building and will act as Ambassadors on behalf of the City. Dave indicated approval was also received for the hiring of three Marine Summer Students as well; those students must be at least 18 years of age.

Dave mentioned they are working with Safe Communities for a Car Seat campaign at the Kenora Fire Hall on June 18.

### 3. Old Business

i) 2011 Options and Projects - nothing to report.

ii) Committee Representative on behalf of KPDSB

It was noted there has been no word or response from the Board to our inquiries regarding the Boards representation on this Committee. This month's meeting was the deadline date for them to respond. It was agreed that the Committee remain at nine members so a recommendation will have to go forward to Council to replace the KPDSB stakeholder.

Committee recommended the deletion of the following from the Terms of Reference:-

- One (1) representative from KPDSB (Keewatin Patricia District School Board)

Committee recommended that Council change the terms to include a representative on the Committee from the Seniors' Coalition.

The Clerk will forward a report to Council for its June meeting, recommending the suggested change.

iii) Committee identification items, i.e. logo for t-shirt

Dave indicated the cost of shirts from Talbot Marketing is \$30 each (both front and back stitching/silk-screening with the logo, etc.), and from 4Imprint the cost is about \$26 each (with same stitching/silk-screening with the logo, etc.).

It was questioned if we have the money to purchase the shirts; some Members expressed an interest to purchase the shirts themselves rather than coming out of the Policing Account as it is important that members are identifiable when out in public.

Dave advised he will bring samples of the t-shirts to the June meeting for sizing; and we will order nine shirts and hopefully everyone will be in attendance at the June meeting. Dave will confirm the quality of the t-shirts whether they are 100% cotton or a 50/50 blend. It was suggested he get in touch with New Age Design (Ron Chagnon) for an additional quote; the Committee expressed an interest in supporting local business.

### 4. Other

#### Neighbourhood Watch Program

Dave indicated that approximately 100 people signed up for the Neighbourhood Watch Program from the Home Show and they will be contacted in the Fall to pitch the program. Dave feels it's a good start with 100 signing up. Neighbourhood Watch Signs were referred to for those persons and it was noted that these have been purchased by the volunteers in the past. Dave suggested we need a buy-in from those volunteers, as well as the community, insurance companies, sign company, etc. for donation of signs in the various residential areas. The Committee believes it would be a deterrent for participation to have the volunteers provide signs as they could possibly be too expensive, possibly. Dave indicated that the City of London has the very best Neighbourhood Watch program in looking at their stats. apparently their crime rate has dropped by some 85% with using the program. It was discussed we could hold a fundraiser to help assist with the purchase of the Neighbourhood Watch Signs. It was asked if there is any funding available for this program through the OPP

**Joanne Mc.**

**Dave C.**

circuit but Dave is not sure in terms of grant availability and that it is likely not through the OPP more likely would have to be accessed through a community group, i.e. community safety grant. Joanne indicated she will check with the Treasurer to see if there is something available to the Committee/public for this purpose. Dave indicated he could check with various sign companies for a price so we know what kind of cost we are looking at; and as well could possibly request a donation from the City towards signage.

**Joanne Mc.**

It was agreed we need to have a plan, and to determine how many neighbourhoods, how many signs we are looking at and consider approaching sponsorships from the business community. Joanne is to advise of requirements under the Sign By-law for placement of these signs in the residential areas.

**Joanne Mc.**

#### **Street Patrol**

It was mentioned the Street Patrol Program has lots of volunteers and they are enjoying the work (Catherine Lindsay is the Co-ordinator). Bill will still pursue getting free coffee for the volunteers from Tim Horton's and the Norman Husky.

**Bill R.**

#### **OPP Quad Control**

Dave explained that the OPP Quads are out and about and they look at various obscure and hidden areas; it was noted this is also good justification for the Neighbourhood Watch Program.

#### **Summer Meetings**

Committee agreed that meetings will not be held for July and August and we will resume in September (the 20<sup>th</sup>).

**Committee**

#### **5. Next Meeting**

- Tuesday, June 21, 2011 at 4:15 p.m. – City Hall Council Chambers.

#### **6. Adjournment**

The meeting closed at 5:05 p.m.