



MINUTES

City of Kenora

Kenora Community Policing Committee

Date: March 18, 2014
Time: 4:30 pm
Location: City Hall Council Chambers

Present: Councillor Gallivan
Wayne Ficek
Ralph Mosher
Diane Pelletier
Wendy Darling
Cst. Laurie Harkof
Mayor Canfield (arrived at 4:38 p.m.)
Trudy Cederwall (arrived at 4:51 p.m.)

Regrets: Chair Bill Richards
Kendall Trembath

Staff: Heather Lajeunesse, Deputy Clerk

Councillor Gallivan chaired the meeting in the absence of the Chair.

1. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

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

There were none declared.

2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Moved by D. Pelletier, Seconded by R Mosher & Carried:-

That the Minutes of the last regular meeting of the Kenora Community Policing Committee held Tuesday, February 18, 2014 be confirmed as written and circulated.

3. Receipt of Correspondence

N/A

4. OPP Community Services Officers Reports

Constable Laurie Harkof reported that there is not much to update on since Constable Grosenick and she attended the last Committee meeting. The officers are still teaching six OPP KIDS Program classes per week and it was noted that the program continues to be well received in comparison with the previously offered DARE program. The officers continue to receive further requests for sexting presentations for schools, hockey teams, youth homes, etc.

Laurie shared that the OPP recently carried out a "distracted driving" campaign and 32 tickets were served. The fines applied to anyone caught with a handheld device while driving. It was reminded that drivers cannot have any type of handheld device or GPS in their hands while operating a motor vehicle

Constable Harkof and Inspector Lucas attended City Hall on February 28th to give a presentation to City employees regarding the security of the building and staff at City Hall, and gave suggestions on how to make the building safer for staff. They covered emergency evacuations, including what staff should do if someone comes into the building who is threatening in nature. It was noted that these presentations can be made for any organization that is interested.

5. Other

Mayor Canfield mentioned that the Community Policing Committee should meet with the Police Services Board at least once per year to share issues and provide direction. Mayor Canfield will determine when the next Police Services Board meeting is and a meeting can be arranged for April, May or June.

There was discussion of recent complaints received about people parking not in safety due to snow. Laurie indicated that she had put out a media release following recent complaints and there have not been further complaints received to date.

There was discussion of snow plowing and snow removal plans for the City and how the City is working on making things better. It was agreed that this has been an exceptional year for snow. There was discussions of GPS and other technologies that can make operations more efficient.

There was discussion of water main breaks and of the many hours staff have worked to deal with the ongoing concerns this winter. There was discussion of the spring thaw and how the water will have nowhere to go, therefore flooding is anticipated in various areas and basements.

Trudy reported that the traffic flow at St. Louis School has been going well.

The City's Strategic Plan Community Survey was mentioned and members were encouraged to fill out the survey.

5. Next Meeting

Tuesday, April 15, 2014

6. Close Meeting

The meeting was closed at 5:10 p.m.