

Date: March 24, 2021
Time: 9:30 A.M.
Location: Haldimand County Administration Building
Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT B. Haggith, Chair
D. Lawrence, Vice Chair
B. Corbett, Member

STAFF PRESENT Inspector Carter, Haldimand County O.P.P.
Staff Sergeant Ferguson, Haldimand County O.P.P.
Sergeant Warner, Haldimand County O.P.P.
T. Cassidy, Police Services Board Administrator

Please note: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Police Services Board meeting was held at the Haldimand County Administration Building rather than the O.P.P. Detachment to ensure physical distancing requirements are in place.

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the Police Services Board meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

B. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

- 1 Update Re: McKenzie Meadows
- 2 Update Re: OCPC Training
- 3 Update Re: Service Availability
- 4 Update Re: Provincial Appointment
- 5 Nuisance By-law

D. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- 1 Minutes from the regular meeting of February 24, 2021

Resolution 1

Moved By: D. Lawrence

Seconded By: B. Corbett

THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby adopts the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on February 24, 2021, as presented.

CARRIED

E. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 1 Neil Unwin, Board Chair, Crime Stoppers of Haldimand & Norfolk Re: 2020 Annual Review and Funding Request for 2021 Initiatives

Aimee Bernardo was also in attendance. Mr. Unwin provided an overview of their 2020 awards, activities, and programs. He noted that a number of events have been cancelled due to the pandemic which has resulted in a reduction in funding. Virtual events have been scheduled for 2021 and the fentanyl initiative will be continued. It was added that a memoriam will also be sponsored for Calgary police officer, Sergeant Andrew Harnett, who was killed in the line of duty. Crime Stoppers are requesting a \$5,000 donation from the Board.

The Board commended Crime Stoppers for their work within the County.

Resolution 2

Moved By: D. Lawrence

Seconded By: B. Corbett

THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board support the Crime Stoppers of Haldimand & Norfolk 2021 initiatives with a \$2,000 donation from the Police Services Board - Donations/Gifts budget.

CARRIED

- 2 Philip Kuckyt, Manager of Transportation Services, Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk Re: BusPatrol Safety Program

Mr. Kuckyt advised that this program provides additional safety features to buses in our region. He introduced Roberto Reno from BusPatrol who participated virtually.

Mr. Reno provided an overview on BusPatrol and the program, noting that the arm cameras are linked to the side of each bus and the network is managed by AI technology. The company works in collaboration with communities, schools, O.P.P., and municipalities to collect data and provide information to law enforcement officers. This program also encourages behaviour modification in both drivers and students on the bus.

Mr. Kuckyt spoke to local statistics in the area and revenues. It was noted that similar presentations were made to the Norfolk County PSB and Brant County PSB.

The Board and O.P.P. were in support of the program, noting that anything to lever technology and enhance the safety of our children is key.

Resolution 3

Moved By: D. Lawrence

Seconded By: B. Corbett

1. THAT the correspondence and presentation material from Philip Kuckyt, Manager of Transportation Services, Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk Re: BusPatrol Safety Program, dated February 18, 2021, be received.
2. AND THAT this resolution be sent to Haldimand County Council recommending their consideration of the proposed BusPatrol Safety Program.

CARRIED

- 3 Mr. Odhinn Kohout, Regional Operational Analyst Re: Overview on How the O.P.P. Use Analytics

Staff Sergeant Ferguson introduced Mr. Kohout and provided an overview of his qualifications and experience. Mr. Kohout noted that he is the analyst for both Haldimand & Norfolk detachments. He provided a high level overview on how data is analyzed to predict and forecast crime.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1 The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General Re: Update on the New OPP Detachment Boards

Discussion ensued regarding the framework for the new detachment Board, noting that 20% must be provincial appointments. Concerns were expressed regarding the current provincial appointment vacancies. The municipality is required to determine the composition of their board and submit their proposal to the ministry by June 7th.

Resolution 6

Moved By: B. Corbett
Seconded By: D. Lawrence

1. THAT the correspondence from The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General Re: Update on the New OPP Detachment Boards, dated March 18, 2021, be received;
2. AND THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board recommend that the OPP Detachment Board consist of five members composed of the following:
 - 2 Community appointments
 - 2 Council appointments
 - 1 Provincial appointment
3. AND THAT this resolution be sent to Haldimand County Council for consideration in its response to the Solicitor General.

CARRIED

G. REPORTS

1 Monthly Report from the Detachment Commander

Inspector Carter reviewed the February monthly reports with the Board, noting a decrease in violent crime, property crime, and collisions and an increase in crimes against other people (harassments and threats), clearance rates, traffic stops, and public complaints related to the civil action from the McKenzie Meadows occupation. The ongoing efforts of the community street crime unit were also highlighted. An update was provided related to the McKenzie Meadows occupation, noting that investigations are ongoing. Discussion ensued regarding focused patrols.

Resolution 7

Moved By: D. Lawrence
Seconded By: B. Corbett

THAT the O.P.P. reports for the month of February, 2021, from Inspector Carter, Haldimand County O.P.P. be hereby received as presented.

CARRIED

2 Board Financials and Current Reserve Figures

Resolution 8

Moved By: D. Lawrence

Seconded By: B. Corbett

THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby receives the Board Financials and Current Reserve Figures, dated March 15, 2021, as information.

CARRIED

3 Haldimand County Provincial Offences Act Ticket Issuance Statistics

Resolution 9

Moved By: D. Lawrence

Seconded By: B. Corbett

THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby receives the February, 2021 Haldimand County Provincial Offences Act Ticket Issuance Reports, as presented.

CARRIED

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1 Update Re: McKenzie Meadows

This item was discussed during the Monthly Report from the Detachment Commander portion of the meeting.

2 Update Re: OCPC Training

It was noted that the training dates have been confirmed and will take place via Zoom.

3 Update Re: Service Availability

The Board was advised that there is currently only one vacancy in the local detachment. It is anticipated to be filled by early summer.

4 Update Re: Provincial Appointment

The Board was advised that no new appointments have been finalized at this time.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1 Nuisance By-law

It was noted that County staff will be introducing a nuisance by-law for Council's consideration at the March 30, 2021 Council in Committee meeting.

2 April Meeting Schedule

Resolution 10

Moved By: D. Lawrence

Seconded By: B. Corbett

THAT the April 28, 2021 Police Services Board meeting be rescheduled to Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

CARRIED

J. BY-LAWS (if required)

None.

K. CLOSED SESSION

1 Mr. Odhinn Kohout, Regional Operational Analyst Re: Overview on How the O.P.P. Use Analytics

Resolution 4

Moved By: D. Lawrence

Seconded By: B. Corbett

THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby enters a portion of the meeting closed to the public at 10:14 a.m. pursuant to Section 35(4) Part a) of the Ontario Police Services Act, R.S.O. 1990 for discussion where:

- a) matters involving public security may be disclosed and having regard to the circumstances, the desirability of avoiding their disclosure in the public interest outweighs the desirability of adhering to the principle that proceedings be open to the public.

CARRIED

Resolution 5

Moved By: B. Corbett

Seconded By: D. Lawrence

THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby comes out of the closed portion of the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

CARRIED

L. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board was set for Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers at the Haldimand County Administration Building.

M. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 11

Moved By: B. Corbett
Seconded By: D. Lawrence

THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

CARRIED

CHAIR

ADMINISTRATOR