



Haldimand
County

HALDIMAND COUNTY POLICE SERVICES BOARD MINUTES

Date: June 23, 2021
Time: 9:30 A.M.
Location: Haldimand County Administration Building
Haldimand Room

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

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

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the Police Services Board meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

B. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

- 1 Update Re: McKenzie Meadows Occupation
- 2 Acknowledgement Re: Indigenous Cultural Competency Training
- 3 Update Re: Provincial Appointment Vacancies
- 4 Phone Scams
- 5 Release Procedures
- 6 Criminal Record Checks

D. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- 1 Minutes from the regular meeting of March 24, 2021
- 2 Minutes from the closed meeting of March 24, 2021

Resolution 1

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

1. THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby adopts the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on March 24, 2021, as presented;
2. AND THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby adopts the minutes of the closed meeting of the Board held on March 24, 2021, as circulated, to remain private and confidential.

CARRIED

E. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

G. REPORTS

1 Monthly Report from the Detachment Commander

Inspector Carter reviewed the March, April and May monthly reports with the Board, highlighting the activities of O.P.P. members, Crime Stoppers and the Community Street Crime Unit and their contribution to community safety. In March, there was an increase in violent crime, fraud, complaints (related to McKenzie Meadows), and foot patrol hours and a decrease in property crime and motor vehicle collisions. Discussion ensued regarding domestic disputes, focused patrols, and impaired driving. The community is encouraged to report all crimes. The Board is pleased to see increased police visibility in the community.

An update was provided related to the McKenzie Meadows occupation. The Board was advised that charges have been laid and investigations are ongoing.

In April, there was an anti-mask protest, increase in motor vehicle collisions, and sexual assaults reported and a decrease in property crime. One conduct complaint was noted. Within each community, there was a decrease in violent crime and an increase in property crime in Hagersville and Jarvis. Discussion ensued regarding trespassing at the Hagersville quarry. The O.P.P. is working with by-law enforcement officers and a media release has been sent out to remind the public that this is private property.

In May, there was a decrease in violent crime and property crime and a slight increase in theft and mischief. It was noted that crime has been reduced significantly in Dunnville. The local detachment has been selected to receive police body cameras which will leverage technology and enhance officer and public safety. Discussion ensued regarding photo radar and red light cameras.

Resolution 2

Moved By: B. Corbett

Seconded By: D. Lawrence

1. THAT the Police Services Board request County staff to look into the installation of photo radar within the community;
2. AND THAT staff report back at a future Council in Committee meeting for Council's consideration.

CARRIED

Resolution 3

Moved By: B. Corbett

Seconded By: D. Lawrence

THAT the O.P.P. reports for the months of March, April and May, 2021 from Inspector Carter, Haldimand County O.P.P. be hereby received as presented.

CARRIED

2 Board Financials and Current Reserve Figures

Resolution 4

Moved By: B. Corbett

Seconded By: D. Lawrence

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

CARRIED

3 Haldimand County Provincial Offences Act Ticket Issuance Statistics

It was noted that there has been an increase in ticket issuance due to the number of officers, enforcement, and traffic campaigns. Discussion ensued regarding recent speed spy reports.

Resolution 5

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

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

CARRIED

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1 Update Re: McKenzie Meadows Occupation

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

2 Acknowledgement Re: Indigenous Cultural Competency Training

The Board Administrator will reach out to the ministry to see if Board members receive documentation stating that they completed this training.

3 Update Re: Service Availability

Inspector Carter advised that the sergeant vacancy has been filled, two recruits are currently in Ontario Police College and an experienced officer is being transferred back. The detachment is at full complement.

4 Update Re: Provincial Appointment Vacancies

The County submitted the Board's recommendation for the O.P.P. Detachment Board composition to the ministry on April 27, 2021 and are waiting for a response.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1 Phone Scams

Discussion ensued regarding the increase in the number of these scams and ways to prevent them. The community is encouraged to refrain from giving out personal information over the phone and to contact the O.P.P. if you encounter a scam situation.

2 Release Procedures

Resolution 6

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

THAT a letter be sent to the Attorney General and the Solicitor General to express the Board's concern with respect to the release procedures of suspects charged with a criminal offence who are not being held in custody to answer to the criminal charges.

CARRIED

3 Criminal Record Checks

Effective June 14, 2021, the detachment is processing record checks and fingerprints for all non-essential workers.

4 Summer Meeting Schedule

Resolution 7

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

THAT the Haldimand County Police Services Board hereby cancels its regularly scheduled meetings for July 28, 2021 and August 25, 2021 due to the proximity to summer vacations, unless otherwise precluded by the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

J. BY-LAWS

None.

K. CLOSED SESSION

None.

L. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board was set for Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. in the Haldimand Room at the Haldimand County Administration Building.

M. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 8

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

THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

CARRIED

CHAIR

ADMINISTRATOR