



# SIOUX LOOKOUT

## Hub of the North

**Police Services Board Meeting**  
**January 20, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.**  
**via Zoom Meeting**  
**MINUTES**

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### **ATTENDANCE**

Attendees: Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson  
Mayor Doug Lawrance, Municipality of Sioux Lookout  
Christine Sawanis, Acting Detachment Commander, Dayna Wellock, OPP

Staff: Michelle Larose, CAO  
Tiffany Thompson, Executive Assistant

Regrets:

### **1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER – CHAIR DARLENE ANGECONEB**

Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

### **2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – MAYOR LAWRENCE**

### **3. AGENDA**

- a) Introduction of Amendments to the Agenda - NIL
- b) Confirmation of Agenda

**Moved By: Doug Lawrance**  
**Seconded By: Christine Sawanis**

THAT the Agenda for the January 20, 2021, Police Services Board meeting be approved.

**CARRIED**

### **4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None**



## 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minute were amended by correcting the spelling of Karl Duewel's last name.

**Moved By:** Doug Lawrance  
**Seconded By:** Christine Sawanis

THAT the Minutes of the October 21, 2020 Police Services Board Minutes be approved, as amended.  
**CARRIED**

## 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

### a) Status of Proceeds of Crime Grant - Mayor Lawrance

A discussion happened regarding if the Proceeds of Crime Grant had ended. Mayor Lawrance asked the question to Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock and she was not too sure about that, but Michelle Larose was able to answer the question that yes the grant had ended, however there is a new enhanced program that is under a different set of funding.

### b) Speeding concerns on Drayton Road – Mayor Lawrance

A discussion happened regarding the speeding concerns on Drayton Road. Mayor Lawrance asked Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock if there were any further complaint about speeding on Drayton after the October 21, 2020 Police Services Board meeting. Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock advised the Board that they did preform a blitz on Drayton, but found that no one was speeding. Michelle Larose advised the Board that Council had approved the purchase of a speed sign for the Municipality to look into the speed concerns on the rural roads.

## 7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

### a) Introduction of Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock – Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock

Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock introduced herself to the board and highlighted some of her accomplishments over her career with the Ontario Provincial Police ("OPP"). Some of the highlights are:

- Her third year in service with the OPP, she became the Abuse Issues Co-Ordinator. That meant she dealt with all the sexual assault crimes and domestic violence crimes;
- 3 years later she became a Detective Constable;
- In 2007 she became a Detective Sergeant for the Sioux Lookout Crime Unit;



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- In 2010 she was promoted to Detective Staff Sergeant with the Criminal Investigation Branch;
- She then received a position as a Detective Staff Sergeant for Regional Crime and she looked after the Crime Units for Red Lake, Sioux Lookout, Dryden and Kenora;
- In 2018 she became the Detective Staff Sergeant for the Victims Response Support Unit in our region. This is her main position and if she does not get the Inspector position for Sioux Lookout this will remain her position;
- She lead the investigation from 2003 to 2007 into Ralph Rowe and saw the process right through to the conviction;
- In 2019 she was the Acting Inspector in Kenora for one month and then moved to the position of Staff Sergeant/Operations Manager for that Detachment;
- In September 2020 she was the Staff Sergeant for the Sioux Lookout Detachment.

### **b) Camp Sites – Doug Lawrance**

A discussion happened regarding the camp site East of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and who took the site down. Chair Darlene Angeconeb let the Board know that it is believed that over Christmas since the camp site was not used, other vulnerable people went in there and disassembled the camp.

Mayor Lawrance expressed some safety concerns about the camp and Chair Darlene Angeconeb advised that members from Equay Wuk Women's group were going down their weekly and providing the occupants with food, warm clothing, PPE and smoke detectors for fire safety.

Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock advised the Board that the OPP have been going over to the camp and making sure that everyone is okay and safe. There have been no complaints to the OPP about the camp. She also advised that the Northwestern Health Unit and Sioux Lookout First Nations Health Authority have partnered together to hire 2 Crisis Response Nurses and it will be their mandate to check on the vulnerable people and make sure they are getting the services they need. This program will not be in place however until after Winter.

Mayor Doug Lawrance will bring this issue up at the Vulnerable Person's Committee is on with different organizations around the region to see if there is a solution.

### **c) 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter OPP Statistics – Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock**

A discussion happened lead by Acting Detachment Commander Dayna Wellock regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Statistics Report. She advised that in every single category the statistics are down and it attributed to COVID and people are not out and moving around.

Some of the highlights from the report are:

- Property Crime is down;
- Drug Crime is up, but that is due to now having a proactive Drug Crimes officer for the detachment;
- Clearance rate for Violent Crimes is at 85.6%, will above the Provincial average;



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- Clearance rate for Property Crimes is at 66.9 %, which is a very good clearance rate provincially;
- Clearance rate for Drug Crimes is at 95%;
- Traffic charges are down significantly and that is attributed to COVID and people staying home and not traveling;
- Possession of Weapons charges did go up this year, but that was due to one stop where several charges were laid;
- Bear Complaints went up this year;
- Suspicious Persons calls have also gone up this year, but there is no concern for safety in the community;
- False Alarm calls have gone up this year and she will have Constable Degange do a little bit of education with the local business owners about this;
- 911 hang ups and dropped calls have gone down significantly this year.

Mayor Doug Lawrance advised the Board that looking at the statistics for Calls for Service from 2010 to 2020, that 2020 will be the lowest year for Calls for Service.

### 8. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Regular Police Service Meeting will be held on Wednesday April 21, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom Meeting.

### 9. MOTION TO ADJOURN

**Moved By: Christine Sawanis**

**Seconded By: Doug Lawrance**

THAT the January 20, 2021 meeting of the Police Services Board be adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Adopted as presented this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Darlene Angecone, Chairperson

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Michelle Larose, Staff Resource