



**Police Services Board Meeting
July 21, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
via Zoom Meeting
MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE

Attendees: Mayor Doug Lawrance, Municipality of Sioux Lookout
Chair Darlene Angeconeb

Absent: Christine Sawanis – with regrets
Michael Kreis (OPP)

OPP Representative(s): Inspector Karl Duewel

Staff: Michelle Larose, CAO
Tiffany Thompson, Executive Assistant

Guests: Regional Commander Bryan MacKillop (OPP)

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER – DARELENE ANGECONEB (CHAIRPERSON)

Darlene Angeconeb called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – MAYOR DOUG LAWRENCE

3. AGENDA

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

Moved By: Doug Lawrance
Seconded By: Darlene Angeconeb

THAT the Agenda for the July 21, 2021, Police Services Board meeting be approved.

CARRIED



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4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved By: Doug Lawrance
Seconded By: Darlene Angeconeb

THAT the Minutes of the January 20, 2021 Police Services Board Minutes be approved, as presented.
CARRIED

Moved By: Doug Lawrance
Seconded By: Darlene Angeconeb

THAT the Minutes of the June 23, 2021 Special Police Services Board Minutes be approved, as presented.
CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

a) Debrief on the Bush Camp – Inspector Karl Duewel

Inspector Duewel advised that when he and Sergeant Kreis� went out after the June 23rd meeting to inspect the camp it had been taken down.

The camp has now moved further into the bush behind First Avenue and there seems to be less people in the camp.

He advised that one of the original leaders of the camp is back and seems to have some control over the camp.

The OPP will continue to monitor the camp and get the Municipality involved if it needs to come down.

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a) Welcome Regional Commander Bryan MacKillop –Inspector Karl Duewel

Inspector Duewel introduced Regional Commander Bryan MacKillop to the Board.

Regional Commander MacKillop introduced himself and gave the Board a little bit of background information about his career with the OPP.



Some highlights were:

- He spent 10 years at the Marathon Detachment, where he was the Acting Staff Sergeant;
- He then spent 3 years in Kenora to help with the amalgamation;
- He then went to Southern Ontario for a few years before coming back to Northwestern Ontario;

Regional Commander MacKillop advised that Inspector Duewel is very engaged in coming up with solutions to lower the crime statistics in the Sioux Lookout.

The clearance rates in Sioux Lookout for Property Crime and Crimes of Violence are above the Provincial average.

He also advised that there are very positive enforcement steps that are being implemented in Sioux Lookout under Inspector Duewel's leadership.

Regional Commander MacKillop advised that he will be happy to participate in any meeting that the Police Service Board would like him to attend.

The Regional Commander position is based out of Thunder Bay.

b) 2nd Quarter OPP Statistics

Inspector Duewel went over some of the statistics in the report that he saw are important and those were:

- There were no public complaints for the 2nd quarter regarding service, policy or conduct;
- Patrol hours were more focused during this quarter and some in relation to looking after the camps and the others were for the speeding complaints on Drayton Road;
- Foot Patrol hours' low this quarter and this due to the hours not being accurately reported;'
- He advised that with COVID restrictions easing more, there are more people returning to the community and therefore the numbers are increasing;
- Sexual Assaults are on the rise again and it is of great concern;
 - He met with Andrea Degagne and the new Detective Sergeant and asked they identify stakeholders in the community to do some preventative measures for the Sexual Assaults;
 - They are hoping to partner with SLFNHA and First Women's Shelter to coordinate messaging/education for the women who are in Sioux Lookout for medical appointments;
 - They are also hoping to provide messaging/education for the men who are in Sioux Lookout for medical appointments;
- Assaults are also on the rise and it is mostly due to the high number of domestic assaults being reported;



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- Theft Under calls are increasing nine (9) of them were for shoplifting and 7 of those 9 were at the LCBO.
 - 6 of the 7 calls at the LCBO involved the same person;
- Inspector Duewel suggested that it might be time to invite the LCBO Store Manager and the District Manager to a Police Services Board meeting to discuss how to mitigate this issue;
 - The LCBO is the primary location in Sioux Lookout for shoplifting;
- Michelle advised that she would contact the LCBO Store Manager and the District Manager to arrange a meeting;
- Drug Crime has been constant and this is because we have a dedicated Community Drug Officer;
 - The current Drug Enforcement Officer has indicated that he would like to return to the front line and therefore the Detective Sergeant will be posting the position and looking for a new officer to take over;
- Clearance rates are above the Provincial average for property, drug and violent crime, Inspector Duewel will strive to improve on the clearance rate;
- On the Billing Summary Report Inspector Duewel flagged that the overall hours have increased, but that was expected as the Province eases restrictions and more things open up;
- Bail Violations and Fail to Complies are up this year, when compared to last year;
- 911 Hang Ups/Pocket Dials have gone down and it is due to the messaging getting out there to the public about the pocket dials and hang ups.

c) Safety Issues on Drayton Road and 5th Ave and Wellington Report – Inspector Karl Duewel

- Inspector Duewel brought in the Acting Staff Sergeant that is in charge of traffic and wanted his expertise and opinion about the speeding issues on the above mentioned roads;
 - The suggestions from the Acting Staff Sergeant were: Community Safety Zones and whether or not there could be traffic control placed at that intersection (ie: 3 way stop) for Drayton Road;
- For the Wellington Road intersection, the advice was if there is going to be more development there than there should be more traffic control implemented;
- Michelle advised that the Speed Sign has come in and it will be placed on Drayton Road to record the speeds and that data will be passed along to the OPP.

Regional Commander MacKillop left the meeting at 1:48 pm due to a previous engagement

d) Citizen Complaint – Michelle Larose



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- Michelle advised that a person reported that they were at the playground at the Tourist Information Centre with their grandchildren and found a lot of cigarette butts, broken glass and needles.
 - The citizen also noticed that there were people sleeping underneath the covered picnic area at the Tourist Information Centre;
- The citizen requested that more patrols be done at that area, as families are not feeling safe when they attend the park;
- The Recreation Manager has been made aware of this and he will be sending crews to clean up that area on a daily basis and clean in the sand so that it's safer for the community;
- Inspector Duewel advised that the Tourist Information Centre is part of the officer's patrol.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Regular Police Service Meeting will be held on October 20, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom Meeting.

9. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved By: Doug Lawrance
Seconded By: Darlene Angeconeb

THAT the July 21, 2021 meeting of the Police Services Board adjourn at 2:08 p.m.

CARRIED

Adopted as presented this _____ day of _____, 2021.

Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson

Michelle Larose, Staff Resource