



**Police Services Board Meeting  
February 13, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.  
Municipal Office, Council Chambers  
MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendees: Mayor Doug Lawrance, Municipality of Sioux Lookout  
Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson  
Dan Davidson, Inspector, OPP Sioux Lookout Detachment  
Andrea Degagne, Community Services Officer  
Mirena Price, Crisis Response Nurse

Regrets: Christine Sawanas  
Karl Duewel, OPP Staff Sergeant

Staff: Michelle Larose, CAO  
Stephanie Bandola, Executive Assistant

Members of Public: Nil

**1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

**2. AGENDA**

a) Introduction of Amendments to the Agenda

**Additions:**

1) Emergency Shelter

b) Confirmation of Agenda

**Moved By: Mayor Lawrance**

**Seconded By: Darlene Angeconeb**

THAT the Agenda for the February 13, 2019, Police Services Board meeting be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**



**3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

October 30, 2018 Police Services Board Minutes

**Moved By: Mayor Lawrance**

**Seconded By: Darlene Angeconeb**

THAT the Minutes of the October 30, 2018 Police Services Board Minutes be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**5. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE PRESENTATIONS**

**a. OPP Fourth Quarter Report (October-December 2018)**

Inspector Davidson reviewed the Fourth Quarter Policing Statistics Report (October – December 2018) with the members. Inspector Davidson reported a 21.7% decrease in violent crime, 15.2% decrease in property crime, and a 41.1% decrease in drug crime (which he believes is in relation to cannabis legalization) from 2017-2018. He reported that calls for service have remained stable over the year. Inspector Davidson reviewed the Calls for Service Billable Hours for the Municipality and stated that they are down from \$20860 in 2017 to \$17195 in 2018. He noted that this decrease does not represent the number of calls for service and that the actual cost for policing the community has not decreased. Mayor Lawrance questioned the recent substantial increase in Court Administration costs; Inspector Davidson said he will contact Municipal Policing Administration Services for more information and report back to the Mayor.

**6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**a. Introduction of Community Services Officer, Andrea Gagne**

Andrea Degagne, Community Services Officer, was introduced by Inspector Davidson. She started in this position at the beginning of the month and explained that her role is to coordinate with community partners to help people on the streets of Sioux Lookout access services or receive assistance getting home to their communities. She is also working closely with Susan Barclay from the Out of the Cold Shelter to address issues affecting the homeless in Sioux Lookout. Andrea visits the schools to speak about cyberbullying and internet safety. Andrea introduced Mirena Price, the Crisis Response Nurse who was recently hired through the Proceeds of Crime grant money. Mirena's role is to work with officers going on live calls and performing primary assessments on clients in regards to mental health and addictions.



Mirena is mobile and her goal is to decrease mental health apprehensions and visits to the Emergency Room.

**b. Terms of Reference**

Michelle noted that since the onset of the Police Services Board no Terms of Reference have been established.

**Action:**

- 1) Michelle Larose will follow up with Clerk to establish Terms of Reference and review Code of Conduct under the Police Services Board Act for adoption.

**c. Bear Clan Patrol Poster**

Darlene Angecone distributed an amended Bear Clan Poster and agenda for the upcoming session with James Pavel in March. She reviewed the agenda items for the rescheduled event. Darlene noted that most of the funding for the event is from Equy Wuk but that the Municipality has contributed \$500 towards the guest speaker, James Favel's, expenses.

**d. Medicine Hat Homelessness Article**

The Medicine Hat Homelessness article was distributed to Board members prior to the meeting for review. Mayor Lawrance stated that a recent study showed that Sioux Lookout's homelessness rate is 3x that of the national average; there were approximately 68 people homeless in the region as of May 2018.

**e. Code of Conduct for Police Services Board**

Please see item b.

**f. Community Safety and Well-being Plan**

The Municipality has until January 1, 2021 to implement a Community Safety and Well-being Plan. It was discussed that a committee be formed to work on the plan and should include members from local agencies. Inspector Davidson agreed to send Michelle Larose a list of agencies involved in the Situation Table to help start the process of forming the committee.

**Action:**

- 1) Inspector Davidson will forward list of agencies involved in the Situation Table to Michelle Larose.
- 2) Michelle Larose, CAO to form committee to work on plan.

**g. Agreement—Proceeds of Crime (Mental Health Counsellor position)**

Michelle Larose spoke with the Treasurer in regards to setting up an account for the PSB (separate from the Municipal coffer) in which to receive the proceeds of crime assets. Payment for the Crisis Response Nurse position can be drawn from this account. Michelle



questioned where the funds were transferred from and how they were received. Inspector Davidson said he would ask Cst. Ben Bye to contact her with this information.

**Action:**

- 1) Michelle to arrange with Treasurer the opening of a separate account for PSB.
- 2) Inspector Davidson to ask Cst. Ben Bye to contact her with funds transfer information.

**h. Emergency Shelter**

Mayor Lawrance stated that the Municipality has been advocating for years for an Emergency Shelter and that he has been in contact with agencies to write letters of support for the shelter. There is opportunity for Federal funding; KDSB has been working towards securing this funding and will most likely be responsible for the shelter. The Mayor also stated that the Nishnawbe Gamik Friendship Centre and the First Step Women's Shelter would also be directly involved. He stated that the shelter needs to be fully resourced, 24/7, and take in all people, regardless of condition (intoxicated or not).

**7. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Regular Police Service Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers.

**8. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Moved By: Mayor Lawrance**  
**Seconded By: Darlene Angeconeb**

THAT the February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting of the Police Services Board be adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

**CARRIED**