



Police Services Board Meeting
October 16th, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.
Municipal Office, Council Chambers
MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Attendees: Mayor Doug Lawrance, Municipality of Sioux Lookout
Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson
Karl Duewel, OPP Staff Sargent, Sioux Lookout Detachment

Regrets: Dan Davidson, Inspector, OPP Sioux Lookout Detachment
Christine Sawanas

Staff: Michelle Larose, CAO
Stephanie Bandola, Executive Assistant

Guests: Russ Saudino, OPP
Lauren Speakman, OPP
Amanda Capone, OPP

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:

- 6 (e) Calls for Service on Sundays since opening LCBO (Sgt. Saudino)
- (f) Community Safety and Well-being Plan Update (Michelle)
- (g) Mischief at Rec Centre (Michelle)

b) Confirmation of Agenda

Moved By: Mayor Lawrance

Seconded By: Darlene Angeconeb

THAT the Agenda for the October 16th, 2019, Police Services Board meeting be approved, as amended.

CARRIED



3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 17th, 2019 Police Services Board Minutes

Moved By: Mayor Lawrance

Seconded By: Darlene Angecone

THAT the Minutes of the July 17th, 2019 Police Services Board Minutes be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES-None

6. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE PRESENTATIONS - None

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a. OPP 3rd Quarter Report (July- September 2019)

Staff Sgt. Karl Duewel introduced Constables Lauren Speakman, Amanda Capone, and Sgt. Russ Saudino to the committee.

Staff Sgt. Duewel reviewed the 3rd Quarter Report and noted that violent crimes have decreased by approximately 15%. Sgt. Duewel contributed the decrease in sexual assault crime to the excellent work done by the unit.

Property crime has decreased generally although Break & Enters have increased since last year.

Drug crimes is done; attributed to legalization of marijuana. There is currently no drug officer at the detachment but someone will be starting in the position in December. Biggest problem is still alcohol in the community.

Billable hours are still trending lower than last year and is down approximately 20%. A change in how things are classified could be the reason for the increase in billable stats.

Reduction in other areas may be reflected in Operational 1 & 2. Theft Under \$5000 and Shoplifting down significantly due to efforts of business owners/managers. Sgt. Duewel will find out how many theft calls are generated from the LCBO vs. other businesses in town. He will arrange to meet with the local manager to see what their procedure is regarding shoplifters.



Dropped 911 calls have increased 300%. Michelle suggested doing a 911 Dropped Call Campaign. Sgt. Duewel suggested that she contact Andrea Gagne regarding this.

A Lifesaving Award application for an incident that took place in November 2018 has been submitted for 2 officers, 2 paramedics, and the daughter of a man who was revived after being VSA. Daughter performed CPR on dad when he was found unconscious at the bottom of the stairs while waiting for EMS. Award is scheduled to be presented in Kenora next Tuesday. Sgt. Duewel suggested the PSB presenting award as well as “good news” for the community and possible article/photo op for the Bulletin.

b. Makwa Clan

In May, James Favel (founder of Bear Clan in Winnipeg) did a presentation in Sioux Lookout. In June, Darlene and Linda Singleton went to Winnipeg and walked with Bear Clan. Saw the headquarters and the stock of supplies that were donated.

Darlene attended a Naloxone and Harm Reduction meeting. Discussed fundraising options and location of headquarters. Makwa Clan is still in organizing and training period.

On October 6, Makwa Clan met at the Municipal Office and walked toward the water tower and fire hall. Collected needles and cleaned up. Another walk is scheduled on October 19 from 5-8pm. Posters and social media postings have gone out.

Michelle submitted an application to Tbaytel For Good for possible funding for Makwa Clan.

There may be an opportunity to use funds from PSB or other budgets if the Tbaytel funding falls through.

Sgt. Duewel feels that the Makwa Clan will be successful as people may feel more comfortable approaching them versus the police.

Cold Weather Committee is working on an interim plan for the downtown core shelter. KDSB has money set aside for this project. Darlene questioned if this could tie into the Makwa Clan.

Darlene is hoping more volunteers will come forward and she is hoping to plan more walks for November.



c. Police Services Contract

Contract has been received and it showed that billing has gone up \$350 000. Michelle contacted Katherine Ross to discuss this and Katherine suggested that any stats we can provide will help our case. All information was sent to Katherine.

Mayor and Council advocates that we receive policing costs at provincial average. Michelle will be following up with Katherine to see where to go from here.

Facts and information had been presented to the Solicitor General previously; the process has been started and work continues on it.

d. Public Perception of OPP

Darlene brought forward a copy of a Facebook rant that was posted on the Concerned Citizens of Sioux Lookout page regarding the dissatisfaction of policing, municipal employees, etc in town in regards to the recent closing of the BMO ATM outside of banking hours. Mayor Lawrance questioned how we get message out to the public as to what is being done in the community.

It was suggested that more “positive” articles and “good news” items are showcased in paper or on social media to change perception.

Increased interaction and community engagement between the PSB and the public make help to encourage positive police relations.

e. Calls for Service on Sundays (Sgt. Saudino)

f. MOU between MYWHC and OPP & Appendix MOU

The MOU which outlines the collaboration between the Municipality and the OPP was reviewed.

g. Community Safety and Well-being Plan

Council has authorized staff to move forward with the Community Safety and Well-being Committee. A comprehensive list of organizations that could appoint potential committee members has been compiled and letters requesting members be appointed have been sent to these organizations . The PSB has appointed Darlene Angecone to sit on the committee. The CSWB Plan must be in place by January 2021.

h. Bear Clan

Darlene attended a meeting with James Favel, founder of the Bear Clan patrol, and spent some time on the streets in Winnipeg to see how it works. She received attachments from James to assist in



getting the Bear Clan patrol started in Sioux Lookout. Darlene questioned if James' plan should be followed or if our own plan should be created. She will scan the attachments from James and forward to those involved to discuss at next meeting. She is hoping to have things in motion by the end of August, beginning of September. Darlene also mentioned that WINKS is interested in starting up a youth Bear Clan patrol.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Regular Police Service Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 15th, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers.

8. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved By: Darlene Angecneb

Seconded By: Mayor Lawrance

THAT the October 16th, 2019 meeting of the Police Services Board be adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Adopted as presented this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Darlene Angecneb, Chairperson

Michelle Larose, Staff Resource