



Police Services Board Meeting
January 15, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.
Municipal Office, Council Chambers
MINUTES

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**ATTENDANCE**

Attendees: Mayor Doug Lawrance, Municipality of Sioux Lookout  
Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson  
Michael Kriesz, OPP Staff Sergeant, Sioux Lookout Detachment  
Dan Davidson, Inspector, OPP Sioux Lookout Detachment  
Christine Sawanas

Staff: Michelle Larose, CAO  
Stephanie Bandola, Executive Assistant

Guests: Andrea Desgagné, OPP  
Eric Maecker, OPP  
Miryana Price, Crisis Response Nurse

**1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Darlene Angeconeb, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

**2. AGENDA**

a) Introduction of Amendments to the Agenda

**Additions:**

6 (g) Makwa/Bear Clan

b) Confirmation of Agenda

**Moved By: Mayor Lawrance**

**Seconded By: Christine Sawanas**

THAT the Agenda for the January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Police Services Board meeting be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**

**3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Police Services Board Minutes

**Moved By: Mayor Lawrance**

**Seconded By: Christine Sawanas**

THAT the Minutes of the October 16<sup>th</sup>, 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. Summary of Community Mobilization Efforts 2019 (Andrea Desgagné)**

Andrea Desgagné, OPP, presented a summary of events and projects that were undertaken by the Community Mobilization Officer in 2019. She had a great deal of inquiries from the public regarding “laws”. Mayor Lawrance suggested a weekly column to be in the Sioux Lookout Bulletin—“Ask the Officer”.

Officer Desgagné continues to visit the Sioux Seniors’ Activity Centre once a month, for approximately 1-2hrs, to address any questions and concerns that they may have.

Officer Desgagné continues to work with community partners to help address issues that come up in the community, ie., drinking in playgrounds.

Officer Desgagné stated that a grant has been received through LHIN to fund the Crisis Response Worker (Miriyana) to become a permanent position beginning in April.

Officer Desgagné presented to the school on topics including bullying, cyber bullying, and domestic violence.

OPP Kids program had a positive turnout.

Officer Desgagné was involved in many events throughout the year including Orange Shirt Day, Pink Shirt Day, Rotary Park clean-up, Pride Parade, Sisters In Spirit Walk, Annual Torch Run for Special Olympics, and the mock disaster exercise. Officer Desgagné also participated in the MTO Commercial Vehicle campaign and the Lock It or Lose It campaign.



Miryana Price, Crisis Response Nurse, has been working as a year in the community. She has had a busy year. She worked 129 shifts in which she had 496 encounters. This averages to approximately 4 people per day. Mirjana's work helped to avert 444 visits diverted from the hospital.

Inspector Davidson stated that there has been a downward trend in mental health apprehensions which he feels is due to Miryana) and Officer Desgagné's community work. Very positive results are being seen.

**b. Strategy to Reduce Calls for Service (Mayor Lawrance)**

Mayor Lawrance questioned how we can reduce calls for service—how can we put the cost to the province versus the Municipality?

He will continue to advocate for detox centres, supportive housing, etc. The Mayor asked that everyone come back next meeting with new ideas and strategies that the PSB can facilitate.

Inspector Davidson stated that they are working on this through different ventures and projects. He stated that other Municipalities are doing things for debt recovery such as charging people for false alarm calls. He feels that retailers need to be more proactive in helping to reduce calls.

Michelle will follow up with the regional manager of LCBO regarding their strategies to reduce calls.

Inspector Davidson is happy with results and has had positive meetings with some of the prolific addresses. He believes that progress is being made.

**c. Liquor Store Hours (Michelle)**

Michelle referred to Const. Saudino's concern/suggestions from the last meeting. The Municipality cannot legislate store hours for businesses.

**d. Police Services Contract**

Michelle received the contract last week from Katherine Ross. Inspector Davidson suggested that Michelle discuss term options with Sergeant Ross.

**e. OPP Year End Report (January-December 2019)**

Inspector Dan Davidson reviewed the OPP 2019 Year End report. He noted that there was 1 public complaint in 2019—a correction is needed on the report.

Inspector Davidson noted that there was a downward trend in Violent Crime.

Property Crime was up in 2019 but was still significantly lower than other municipalities.



Drug crime was down most likely due to the legalization of marijuana.

Billable hours were down 1821 hours. He stated that it was hard to attribute it to any one thing but contributes it to supportive housing, the Community Mobilization Officer, the Crisis Response Nurse, meeting with organizations, ie SLFNHA, Situation Table.

**f. Makwa Clan**

Mayor Lawrance questioned if Inspector Davidson had heard of a Regional Bear Clan? Inspector Davidson had not heard anything regarding the Regional Bear Clan.

**8. NEXT MEETING DATE**

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

**8. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Moved By: Mayor Lawrance**

**Seconded By: Christine Sawanas**

THAT the January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting of the Police Services Board be adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Adopted as presented this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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Darlene Angecone, Chairperson

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Michelle Larose, Staff Resource