



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019 – 2:00 P.M.

POLICE SERVICES BOARD ROOM

1. Roll Call

Members – Mayor C. Provenzano
J. Bruno
R. Webb
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen
I. MacKenzie

Staff – Chief H. Stevenson
S. Miles

2. Call to Order

Chair, C. Provenzano called this meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

3. Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. Questions and Information Arising Out of the Minutes and Not Otherwise on the Agenda

There were no questions that arose.

5. Adoption of Minutes – March 28, 2019

MOVED BY: J. Bruno
SECONDED BY: R. Webb

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the regular meeting, as presented, be hereby approved.
Carried.

6. Motion to Accept Agenda – April 25, 2019

MOVED BY: L. Vezeau-Allen
SECONDED BY: J. Bruno

RESOLVED that the Agenda of the regular meeting, as presented, be hereby approved.
Carried.

7. Communications & Reports – Information Only

- a) Special Account Ledger (Auction Fund) – February 2019
- b) 2019 Monthly Total Overtime Costs (Paid and Banked) – March 2019

The Chief drew attention to the decrease that occurred in February, as compared to last year. He pointed out that in March the overtime went up but this was a result of Project Oak and the testimony required in provincial court. He noted there was also a small man power shortage because of the nine vacancies created through the retirement incentive. The Chief pointed out that to offset the overtime, it should be noted these vacancies also mean we are not paying these wages. The Chief advised there are also some other serious on-going investigations that could be impacting the overtime costs.

- c) 2019 Monthly Staff Shortage Overtime Costs – March 2019

The Chief noted that for January and February the amounts jumped and this was due to staff shortages. The retirements have resulted in some significant call outs for overtime. However, that should be mitigated as the vacancies fill; we have two new recruits from OPC and two direct entry officers currently in the final process. The Chief advised that we are actively pursuing hiring as best we can.

- d) 2019 Monthly Staff Shortage Overtime Costs (Cash and AOT) – March 2019

The Chief advised this is a reflection of the same issue with staff shortages and will be mitigated over the summer when the hiring is back in place.

- e) Budget Report – Ending February 28, 2019

The Chief noted that this report only includes two months so it does not provide a lot of information but there is a significant amount of budget left for the year and we are currently on track.

- f) Year End Statistical Reports for 2018

The Chief reported that this statistical report is for all of 2018 and has the amount of data that is robust enough to make assessments based on the calendar date. The Chief noted that a 5.9% increase is not significant so there is not anything to be concerned about. With regards to property crimes, we have talked about this increase at previous meetings. The residential

break and enters are something to pay attention to but we are actively aware of the issue. The opioid crisis across the country is something that feeds into the property crimes as they are the easiest way to fuel addiction. Lisa asked about the attempt break and enters, if there are more people calling and reporting. The Chief confirmed this could absolutely be the case as people are more aware of the problem.

With regards to drug offences, the Chief explained they are down 45% which is a direct reflection of the changes to cannabis offences and legalization. The Chief advised there is a reduction in occurrences but not necessarily a reduction in harm.

The Chief discussed the domestic violence statistics and noted how important it is for us to see a decrease in these numbers. The Chief noted we have a strong domestic violence program and these occurrences are treated very seriously.

The Chief reviewed the YO index and noted the numbers were relatively consistent with the adult population. Crimes of property are up but not as significantly as the adult population. The drug scenario is in the 4.2% category and those are significant because it is our younger population, however they are relatively low for the community.

g) YCJA Diversion Program – Statistical Report ending March 31, 2019

The Chief noted the numbers are low and reminded the Board that it is the police service that will recommend people for extra judicial measures and they have to be worked out with the Crown.

h) Provincial Offences Statistics –March 2019

The Chief drew the Board's attention to the difference in occurrence rates and noted the drop in hand held devices charges. The Chief also pointed out that speeding occurrences have doubled. The Chief advised that in the future he would like to see the numbers for ATV's because they are a risk for adolescents and he would like to see more enforcement in this area.

i) Use of Force Reports – January, February & March 2019

The Chief advised the Board that the majority of these occurrences are in relation to the reporting of drawn weapons. The use of force options make like simpler because the presentation of a taser creates compliance and eliminates the need for hands on enforcement. The Chief noted here is a good system of accountability and we are of the need for transparency. The Chair noted our officers are dealing with more mental health issues and pointed out the trend in the March report. The Chair asked if all of our frontline officers are trained in dealing with mental health and the Chief advised not as much as the two specialized officers that we have, but they all have knowledge and training that can help to prevent and de-escalate situations. The Chief explained how the presentation of the use of force options allows for the presence of judgement in highly volatile situations. Lisa asked if there is protocol dealing with mental health and suicidal individuals. The Chief advised the issue is the mitigation of the problem and we have had multiple scenarios where he has been impressed with the level of judgements made for de-escalation. The Chief advised that all

officers are trained on de-escalation, specific to mental health, but are also trained to protect themselves. The Chief noted we have also had discussion with the hospital about various programs.

- j) Public Complaints Against Police – March 2019
- k) Notes of Appreciation – dated April 25, 2019
- l) Travel Log – dated April 25 , 2019

8. For Information: CCII Annual Report

The Chief advised this is a report we are required to submit and a copy has also been submitted to Graham Wight at the Ministry. The Chief pointed out that we had only one carding scenario in 2018 and this is consistent with the rest of the province. The Chief advised that all members have been trained in accordance with the regulation.

9. For Information: Update on Community Crisis Response Team (CCRT)

Presentation by: Sgt. Darin Rossetto

The Chief advised this was an initiative put in place by the previous administration. Sgt. Rossetto provided an overview of the unit and how it benefits the Service and community today.

10. Next Meeting Date

May 30, 2019

11. Adjournment – Time: 2:37 p.m.

MOVED BY: R. Webb
SECONDED BY: J. Bruno

RESOLVED that the regular meeting is adjourned and that the Board enter into the caucus meeting. Carried.