



## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2017 – 2:00 P.M.**

**POLICE SERVICES BOARD ROOM**

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### **1. Roll Call**

**Members** – D. Hilsinger, Chair  
J. Bruno  
Rick Webb

**Staff** – Chief R. Keetch  
Deputy S. Sparling  
Sarah Miles

### **2. Call to Order**

Chair D. Hilsinger called this meeting to order at 1:59.

### **3. Conflict of Interest Declarations**

Chair D. Hilsinger declared a conflict of interest with regards to the request for the Board to fund the #youthesoo event.

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

There were no questions or information that arose.

### **5. Adoption of Minutes – May 25, 2017**

**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 – June 29, 2017**

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

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) May 2017

The Chief reported to the Board the interest for the account matures in 2018. The Chief informed that he met with the Finance Coordinator to discuss the Board policy of maintaining a balance of \$20,000 in the account; there had been previous discussion about revisiting this policy. The Chief advised that the Board has over \$27,000 on hand and the Edward Jones investment matures in 2032. The Board spends about \$3500 annually, leaving a balance of about \$3500 that could be invested. This balance does not include the approval of the donation the Board just recently made for the #youthesoo event or the potential money earned from any future auction. The Chief did not recommend doing anything with this balance unless the Board wanted to revisit the policy. The Chair provided they will revisit the policy and the Chief would put it on as an agenda item for September.

b) 2017 Monthly Total Overtime Costs (Paid and Banked) – May 2017

c) 2017 Monthly Staff Shortage Overtime Costs – May 2017

d) 2017 Monthly Staff Shortage Overtime Costs (Cash and AOT) – May 2017

e) Budget Report – ending May 31, 2017

The Chief reported that revenues appear down but we are waiting for the first installments of the PEM grant. We were successful in receiving \$920,000 from the grant which support a lot of activities such as our mental health initiatives. The Chief also provided that he felt it puts us in a better position in 2018 when the grant process becomes more competitive.

The Chief also noted that if you look at the expenditures they appear higher because there is the retroactive pay built into that number. He advised the money is put away by City Council and is reflected as an increase but at the end of the year it will be reconciled. The Chief provided that it currently looks like we are in line with the anticipated budget for 2017.

f) Monthly Statistical Report for March 2017

With regards to the statistical report, John Bruno asked how we are able to recognize calls as mental health. The Chief advised they are generally recognizable and he spoke to the partnership the Service has with the hospital that assists in the assessment of these types of calls. Mr. Bruno asked if the police

stay at the hospital as part of the process and the Chief advised officers will stay until the individual is admitted.

Rick Webb asked about the increase in frauds and the Chief advised that technology has a major role in this increase. The Chief explained we have a dedicated officer who works on fraud investigations and the Deputy suggested having this officer prepare a presentation for the next meeting to help explain why this is happening.

John Bruno asked if there will be any preparation with regards to the marihuana legalization that is coming up. The Chief advised OACP has expressed concerns as there are a lot of unknowns surrounding the upcoming changes. The ability to assess this for impaired driving is going to be a challenge. The Chief noted that when you look at alcohol there is a defined standard used to measure impairment but there is no standard for drugs and no way to identify drugs as a means of impairment. There is training that can be obtained but it is very expensive. The Sault Ste. Marie Police Services has three officers trained internally and we could potentially call them in to review and form opinions on a situation; however, our Service, much like the education sector, think it will have an impact on policing, particularly around impaired driving. The Chief noted it is not clear that we will have answers in the next year. Mr. Bruno asked that the Board be kept up to date with regards to any information the Service receives. The Chief provided that he hopes there is going to be potential provincial/federal funding to help train officers as there are a lot of services and boards trying to strategize around the upcoming legalization.

- g) Year to Date Statistical Report for March 2017
- h) YCJA Diversion Program – Statistical Report ending May 31, 2017
- i) Provincial Offences Statistics – May 2017
- j) Notes of Appreciation – Report dated June 21, 2017
- k) Use of Force Reports – May 2017
- l) Public Complaints against Police – Dated June 20, 2017

## **8. Travel Log**

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

RESOLVED that the Board approve the Travel Log report dated June 21, 2017. Carried.

## **9. Financial Request Board Fund the #youthesoo Youth Event**

A conflict of interest was declared by Chair, Donna Hilsinger and she abstained from the vote.

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

RESOLVED that the Board hold this item for the next meeting as quorum could not be met.

**10. For Information: Crime Stoppers Awards Recognizing Cst. Henry Jin**

The Chair extended the Board's congratulations to Cst. Jin.

**11. Next Meeting Date**

27 July 2017

**12. Adjournment – Time: 2:21 p.m.**

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

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