

TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

The Township of Melancthon Police Services Board held a meeting on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Melancthon Township Municipal Office Committee Room. Those present: Chair and Public Member David Thwaites, Municipal Member Darren White, Provincial Appointee Kate Martin, Denise Holmes, Interim Secretary and Staff Sergeant Nicol Randall, Dufferin OPP.

Call to Order

Chair Thwaites called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

Chair Thwaites advised those in attendance that they could declare their pecuniary interest now or at any time during the meeting. None was declared.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Martin, Seconded by White that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by White, Seconded by Martin that the minutes of the Police Services Board meeting held on May 16, 2018 be approved as circulated. Carried.

Issues Arising from the Minutes

Member White provided an update on the Wargon Road situation and advised that there is some push back on the road closure from all three municipalities. Melancthon Public Works Director has concerns as there is no where for the Township vehicles to turn around. Council will be doing an onsite at the bridge tomorrow at 3:30 p.m. to make sure all of Council is onsite. Member White also advised that he had met with other residents on that road concerning the traffic and speeding. He received a road count report and there were only 24 cars using that road during a one week period. There was discussion about making it a private road but in his opinion that is not an option.

Presentations/Delegations

None.

Correspondence

1. Draft Joint PSB Meeting Minutes - April 27, 2018
2. Letter from R. DiMarco, Chief Supt., Regional Commander, Central Region OPP regarding receipt of the performance evaluation of Dufferin OPP Detachment Commander, Staff Sergeant Nicol Randall
3. Letter - SIU - 2017 Annual Report (Annual Report on file and not included in Package)

All correspondence received as information. For the next Joint Meeting to be held in the Spring 2019, Melancthon would like to request a Delegation from either SIU (Special Investigations Unit)

or OIRPD (Office of the Independent Police Review Director).

Financial

None.

Detachment Commander's Report

Staff Sgt. Randall provided her report in advance of the meeting for the period of April - June, 2018 and reviewed her Report with the Board. There was discussion during this time regarding water rescue and how emergency services work together in that regard. Staff Sgt. Randall advised that they work with the fire departments. In the case of the Kaden Young situation, because Grand Valley didn't have water rescue, they reached out to Wellington who does, and the OPP assisted by bringing in boats and the underwater rescue divers. Member White noted that there are discussions between the fire boards for co-participation for in water training. Staff Sgt. Randall also advised that starting next year, there will be electronic submissions for Vulnerable Record Checks and you only have to go into the Detachment if you have to be fingerprinted.

During this time, Chair Thwaites asked if there had been any complaints regarding ATV's and dirt bikes on the 4th Line OS – there weren't any come in that Staff Sgt. Randall was aware of.

Committee Reports

None.

Other Business

1. Horning's Mills - Mill Lane Issue - Member White

Member White advised that this issue has resolved itself and it was a neighbour dispute that the OPP were dealing with due to a Property Standards Complaints.

2. Speed counter results in other municipalities in Dufferin (Chair Thwaites) - Verbal update from Secretary

The Secretary provided the information received from the other municipalities. Amaranth, East Garafraxa and Grand Valley do not have counters and they use the County for any counter issues. Mono contracts road counter services out. Reports are emailed to them and Mulmur does all of their own road counter set up and reporting. It was asked where the traffic levels are at throughout the County but Staff Sgt Randall advised that only Melancton and Mulmur send her the reports.

3. Speed trap/traffic enforcement focus in Melancton - year to date and comparison to previous years (Chair Thwaites)

Chair Thwaites was requesting the data for Highway 10 and County Road 124 and has there been a change year over year on focused sites and how do the numbers compare? Staff Sgt. Randall to get this information to the Board.

4. Data for Township - fines recovered through POA and how it is tracking with respect to number of tickets issue, i.e. - conviction/plea – year to date info (Chair Thwaites)

Chair Thwaites was looking for the data on fines recovered through POA and he was advised that he would have to go directly to the POA office for this information. The Secretary advised that she could speak with someone at Caledon to see if she could get the information. Chair Thwaites was curious on how effective laying charges is.

During this time, Member White advised that County of Dufferin staff have formally requested to the Ministry to let the County run our own POA.

5. Unfinished Business - Motion passed at May 16th meeting regarding Melancthon-Nottawasaga Townline and potential options to reduce or redirect traffic - Verbal update

Already dealt with earlier in the meeting.

Public Discussion

None.

Date of Next Meeting & Adjournment

10:49 a.m. - Moved by White, Seconded by Martin that we adjourn this Police Services Board meeting to meet again on Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY