

TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

The Township of Melancthon Police Services Board held an electronic meeting on Wednesday, June 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. due to COVID-19. Those present: Municipal Member David Thwaites, Public Member Alan Blundell, Denise Holmes, Secretary and Detachment Commander Nicol Randall, Dufferin OPP.

Call to Order

Chair Blundell called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Approval of an Amendment to Melancthon Township Police Services Board Rules and Procedures

Draft Policy:

- 9.4 The Township of Melancthon Police Services Board may offer electronic participation, at the discretion of the Chair, subject to section 35(3) of the *Police Services Act* requiring proceedings to be open to the public.

In the event of an emergency declared by the Prime Minister, Premier, Cabinet or the Municipal Head of Council under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, Members participating electronically, by either telephone, video or audio conferencing or other interactive methods, may be counted for the purposes of quorum. In the event of an emergency declared by the Prime Minister, Premier, Cabinet or the Municipal Head of Council under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, Members participating electronically, by either telephone, video or audio conferencing or other interactive methods, may participate in a Closed Meeting and be counted towards quorum.

Members of the public may participate electronically in open meetings, as the chosen technology permits.

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Blundell that the Township of Melancthon Police Services Board approve the amendment to the Melancthon Township Police Services Board Rules and Procedures with the inclusion of Section 9.4. Carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

Chair Blundell advised those in attendance that they could declare their pecuniary interest now or at any time during the meeting - None Declared.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Blundell that the Agenda be approved as amended. Carried. The amendment was an addition of correspondence from the Town of Orangeville regarding Diversity Training Program of Police Services in Ontario.

Approval of Minutes - February 5, 2020

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Blundell that the minutes of the Police Services Board meeting held on February 5, 2020 be approved as circulated. Carried.

Issues Arising from the Minutes

It was advised that there is no new information regarding Melancthon's Provincial Member from the Ministry.

Presentations/Delegations

None.

Correspondence

1. Message from OPP Commissioner Thomas Carrique regarding recent protest activity

Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Blundell that the above correspondence be received as information. Carried.

Financial

Nothing to Report.

Detachment Commander's Report

Staff Sgt. Randall provided her report in advance of the meeting for the period of January - March 2020 and reviewed her Report with the Board.

Committee Reports

None.

Other Business

1. Update on Township CEMC Weekly Zoom meetings

Denise provided an update on her weekly CEMC Zoom meetings which consists of the sharing of information between the municipalities in Dufferin during the COVID-19 pandemic.

2. Member Thwaites to provide an update on PSB Meetings

Member Thwaites provided an update on the governance session he attended in Barrie in February. He prepared and circulated a memo to Council regarding OPP Governance in May and Council supported the memo, which has been sent to the Solicitor General under Chair Blundell's

signature. He indicated that he doesn't know what the timeline is and hasn't seen anything else on the matter.

3. Member Thwaites to provide an update on Paid Duty Officer

Member Thwaites advised that the \$2,500.00 that was put in the budget for this purpose was removed before the budget was passed due to COVID-19.

4. COVID-19, Info on Melancthon website

It was asked if the information was still current on the website and the answer was yes.

5. Fall Joint PSB Meeting - Discussion

The Fall Joint PSB meeting will be rescheduled to October 23, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. If we still cannot meet in person due to COVID-19 restrictions, the meeting will be cancelled until the Spring of 2021. Denise will contact Duane Sprague, Solicitor General's Office and let him know of the new date, as well as circulate an email to the rest of the Section 10 Joint Boards in Dufferin.

6. 2020-2022 Action Plan - Update, if any

Staff Sgt. Randall advised that she is waiting to see if the Progress Reports from 2019 are finished. The Action Plan was released by the Commissioner's Command Team in April but General Headquarters Staff are working from home, so its difficult to get in and get working on it.

7. City of Barrie - Traffic Calming Device - Update, if any

No new information as the City of Barrie was unable to hire its Summer Student due to COVID-19 so the devices did not get put out this year.

8. Emails - Speeding in Horning's Mills – Main Street and River Road

Discussion ensued on this matter and Ms. Carvelli and Ms. Goven, residents of Horning's Mills joined in on the meeting. It was noted that Officers are being deployed to the area, but they are not getting results. A suggestion was made about installing moveable speed bumps and this matter will be referred back to the Roads Sub-Committee and Staff will be asked to look into this. The OPP will continue to monitor this area. Staff Sgt. Randall advises that she is monitoring the Occurrence reports every month.

9. Speeding on various Township Roads

Staff Sgt. Randall is aware of the speeding on the various Township roads and will be deploying officers to these areas.

10. Additions to the Agenda, if applicable

Town of Orangeville Motion on Diversity Training of Police Services in Ontario

Councillor Thwaites advised that this item of correspondence is on the Council Agenda for Thursday's meeting and was looking for input and thoughts from Chair Blundell and Staff Sgt. Randall so he could take it back to Council. Staff Sgt. Randall spoke to this matter and advised that Officers are trained for this in the Ontario Police College and there is ongoing Diversity Training and Officers are required to do training every year and explained what the training consists of.

Discussion then ensued on the Mobile Health Crisis Team which is here and able to respond to crisis calls in the Community. It was suggested that we could have someone from this Team come and speak at the Joint Meeting in the Fall, or someone from the Ontario Police College on Diversity Training.

Public Discussion

None.

Date of Next Meeting - Tuesday, September 15, 2020 - 9:00 a.m. & Adjournment

11:02 a.m. - Moved by Thwaites, Seconded by Blundell that we adjourn this Police Services Board meeting to meet again on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. or at the call of the Chair.

CHAIR

SECRETARY