

TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

The Township of Melancthon Police Services Board held an electronic meeting on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. due to COVID-19. Those present: Municipal Member Darren White, Public Member Alan Blundell, Secretary, Sarah Culshaw, Detachment Commander Terry Ward, Dufferin OPP.

Call to Order by Secretary

Secretary Sarah Culshaw called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Oaths of the Melancthon Township Public Services Board Members

Public Member Alan Blundell and Municipal Member Darren White both read the Oath of the Melancthon Township Public Services Board.

Election of Chair conducted by Secretary

Moved by White, Seconded by Blundell that Alan Blundell be appointed as Chair of the Township of Melancthon Police Service Board for 2023.

Carried

Election of Vice Chair conducted by Chair

Moved by Blundell, Seconded by White that Darren White be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Township of Melancthon Police Service Board for 2023.

Carried

Land Acknowledgement Statement

Chair Blundell shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

Approval of the Agenda

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

Carried

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

None declared.

Approval of Minutes –December 7, 2021

Moved by Blundell, Seconded by White that the minutes of the Police Services Board meeting held on October 11, 2022 be approved as circulated.

Carried.

Issues Arising from the Minutes

None.

Presentations/Delegations

None.

Correspondence

None

Financial

None

Detachment Commander's 4th Quarter Report (Oct – Dec 2022)

Detachment Commander Terry Ward discussed the 4th Quarter report attached with the minutes. The following formed part of the discussions

- Dufferin OPP have had an opportunity to use a Mental Health nurse to field calls involving mental health. As a result of this practice, they were able to prevent hospital usage and deal with many situations in a much more effective way. There was a total of 32 Mental Health Occurrences for 2022. This is an invaluable service for the community; therefore, Detachment Commander Terry Ward is investigating possible ways to continue to fund this service including a grant. Member White indicated that if the Melancthon Police Services Board or the Township can assist in any way with this, to please reach out.
- Charges were up in the last quarter of last year indicated that there was considerable enforcement, unfortunately there was also an increase in stunt driving. The positive in this was that there were no fatal collisions for 2022, which is always considered a big win for the OPP.

Committee Reports

None.

Other Business

1. Request for Community Zone Sign/Speed Limit of 40km on 15 Sideroad West of Dufferin Rd 124. The Melancthon Township Road subcommittee asked that these roads be on the OPP's radar to assess whether the request to reduce the speed limit or/and put up a Community Zone Sign is warranted.
2. E-mail from Ian McSweeney re: PSB Transparency and Public Disclosure. Chairperson Blundell stated that he will follow up with Ian to help create a template for a landing page and also create consistency so that all information is shared with everyone.
3. Set 2023 Meeting Dates
 - February 14, 2023
 - May 9, 2023
 - August 8, 2023
 - November 14, 2023
4. Protocol 5 – Monitoring of the Performance of the Detachment Commander – Below closed session

Public Discussion

None

Closed Session

Motion for Closed Session to discuss Monitoring the Performance of the Detachment Commander. Carried.

Moved by Blundell, Seconded by White that in accordance with Section 35, subsection 4(b), of the Police Services Act, the Township of Melancthon Police Services Board move into closed session meeting at 9:34 a.m. for the Annual Monitoring of the Performance of Detachment Commander. Carried.

Moved by Blundell, Seconded by White that the Township of Melancthon Police Services Board now rise from Closed Session at 9:43 a.m. with report.

Carried.

The Secretary will forward the Annual Performance Review to the Regional Commander, OPP as per Protocol 5.

Date of Next Meeting

The date of the Next Police Service Board meeting will be May 9, 2023 at the Dufferin OPP Detachment.

Adjournment

9:50 a.m. - Moved by Blundell, Seconded by White that we adjourn this Police Services Board meeting to meet again on May 9, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY