**LAMBTON GROUP POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**October 21, 2015**

**Session # 7/2015**

**Date:** Wednesday, September 23, 2015

**Time:** 2:30 p.m.

**Place:** Lambton Detachment – OPP

4224 Oil Heritage Road, Petrolia

**Present: Murray Jackson**

**Bill Weber**

**Leland Martin**

**Steve Miller**

**Dela Horley, Secretary**

**O.P.P. Representative: Inspector Scott Janssens**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Moved by B. Weber, seconded by L. Martin THAT** the minutes of Session 6/2015, September 23, 2015 be adopted as submitted.

Carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**DETACHMENT REPORT**

**September 2015:**

Violent Crime *(down 14% over 2014)*

Property Crime *(down 30% over 2014)*

Drug Crime *(up 36% over 2014)*

Clearance Rates *(remain high for Western Region)*

1 Motor Vehicle Fatality in St. Clair Township

486 Calls for Services – up over 2014

Increased police presence over long weekend

Patch For Patch fentanyl program in place

Annual Candelight Vigil in Point Edward

Distracted Driving presentation set for October with Sarnia Police Service

Public Complaints: 0

EZ Stat Traffic Monitor being utilized throughout the County

Labour Day weekend charges laid: 27 speeding, 14 seat belt, 4 Criminal Code, 2 Impaired.

* Media Releases

Back To School

Distracted Driving

New Highway Traffic Act laws (“dooring” cyclists, distracted driving, Move Over law, passing cyclists and improper lighting on bicycle)

* School Resource Officers

5 youths diverted

12 Criminal Code charges laid

1 Careless Driving Charge

Continuous presence at the high schools has had a positive impact on students

* Auxiliary Hours: 240
* Emergency Planning Activities

County and Ministry of Transportation met re- winter road maintenance operational plan

Enbridge planning an incident command mock emergency exercise with OPP, Fire and EMS

Additional statistical information available in OPP Monthly Report (forwarded electronically to municipal partners and posted to LGPSB website).

**Moved by B. Weber, seconded by S. Miller THAT** the Detachment Commander’s Report be accepted.

Carried

**MEMBER’S REPORT**

L. Martin asked Inspector Janssens about the possibility of including weather conditions when reporting motor vehicle collision stats; Inspector Janssens will investigate feasibility.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* 1. 2016 Municipal Policing Billing Statement *(previously forwarded to municipal partners)*
  2. Financial Reports to July 2015 *(sent electronically)*
  3. OPP Review Publication (*Summer 201*5)

**Moved by S. Miller seconded by L. Martin THAT** the correspondence as listed be received.

Carried

**ACCOUNTS**

1. Policing Contract – *November 2015* $ 837,987.00
2. JC Cleaning – *November 2015 with HST* $ 1,469.00
3. CIBC Visa – *Blackberry Usage* $ 129.67
4. OAPSB Zone 6 – *Annual Membership* $ 55.00
5. OAPSB – *Annual Membership* $ 3,245.42

**Moved by L. Martin seconded by B. Weber THAT** the accounts as listed be approved for payment.

Carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Leslie Williams from the Township of Dawn-Euphemia inquired about the Police Services Act review and the 50 plus vacancies on police boards across Ontario. An opportunity exists to inform the decision makers what works for us.

Inspector Janssens stated that not much is known at this time; AMO is trying to get a review of the Police Services Act and the Province planning a review, possibly, Spring 2016 – changes are coming. More cost-effective decisions will likely be implemented.

B. Weber stated that the OAPSB is proposing changes to the governance model. Changes to boards can be expected; however, actual policing will not change. The Board expects to be proactive and participate in any discussions. This topic was brought forward for discussion at the October 19th zone meeting of the Ontario Association of Police Services Board, which was attended by all LGPSB members. The presentation by OAPSB was very informative and has been made available to the Board.

**Moved by B. Weber, seconded by S. Miller THAT** the presentation entitled Governance Reform presented at the October 14, 2015 OAPSB Zone meeting in Point Edward be distributed to the municipal partners.

Carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

1. D. Horley advised that interest was charged by the province as the June 2015 policing contract payment was not received. The payment was mailed two weeks prior to the due date, as is the practice; however, it is the understanding of the County that the payment did not arrive. This is the first time since the Board was established that a payment did not arrive.

The possibility of electronic transfer was investigated; however, the province does not allow this method of payment at this time.

Payments may be sent by courier through the County of Lambton for a nominal fee, which enables tracking and eliminates the possibility of interest charges.

**Moved by B. Weber, seconded by S. Miller THAT**, effective immediately, all payments regarding contract policing be sent by courier, until such time as electronic transfer is available;

AND FURTHER THAT the County of Lambton Finance Department be so advised.

Carried.

1. Information re- Support for recommendation to establish a 9-1-1 cell phone user fees and grant program (from September 23, 2015 meeting)

**Moved by S. Miller seconded by L. Martin THAT** the item regarding the 9-1-1- Cell Phone User Fees and Grant Program be forwarded to the November 2015 meeting agenda for discussion.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by B. Weber, seconded by L. Martin THAT** the September 23, 2015 meeting of the Lambton Group Police Services Board be adjourned.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

**Next meeting**: Friday, November 13, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. at the Lambton O.P.P. Detachment, Petrolia, or at the call of the Chair.

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Murray Jackson, Chair Dela Horley, Secretary