

THE CITY OF ORILLIA POLICE SERVICES BOARD PUBLIC MEETING,  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2008 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE OFFICE OF THE  
MAYOR

Present: D. MacNeil  
John Methot, Vice Chair  
Mayor R. Stevens  
T. Lauer  
G. Morano

Also

Present: Inspector T. Wright, Detachment Commander  
Sgt. S. Hewlett  
S. Kirkwood, Executive Assistant

Chair MacNeil called the meeting of the Board to order at 9:30 a.m.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

The members were asked to declare all conflicts of interest and the general nature thereof. No conflicts were declared.

**Motion #76/2008** **APPROVE MINUTES**

Moved by Mayor R. Stevens, seconded by G. Morano that the minute of the last regular meeting of June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008 be approved as presented. Carried.

Mayor Stevens tabled an article from the Municipal World magazine entitled "Perth County Task Force Takes a Stand". The Board directed that staff circulate copies to all members.

Inspector Wright introduced the uniform staff in attendance, those being Sgt. S. Hewlett, Constables Sean McTeague and Richard Hough. Inspector Wright noted Sgt. Hewlett has a Staff Sergeant credit and as a developmental opportunity will now be responsible for developing and delivering all statistical reports. He further noted that Constable McTeague is in attendance to deliver the revised Citizens on Patrol power point presentation.

Business Arising from the Minutes

- a) Public Interest Governance – D. MacNeil
- b) Follow Up re COP program – Insp. Wright
- c) Report re Security Cameras – Trenton – G. Morano
- d) OAPSB Fall Seminar – D. MacNeil

Chair MacNeil asked that the Citizens on Patrol presentation be brought forward. Constable McTeague highlighted the areas of change, that being reduced first year costs from \$13,100 to \$6,102. Patrols would be four per week during the summer months and two per week otherwise. This report was received as informational. The Chair noted as previously discussed this presentation will be made to Council on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 along with a recommendation for implementation.

Chair MacNeil tabled a report on public interest governance noting the intent is to encourage community involvement with the Board and provide an educational forum as well as means of addressing issues through public presentations. The Board agreed to adopt this program and directed the Chair develop a calendar of events for the upcoming year.

**Motion #77/2008    PUBLIC INTEREST GOVERNANCE**

Moved by T. Lauer, seconded by G. Morano that the Board adopts the public interest governance model as per the report by the Chair of September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008, and further the Chair is authorized to develop a presentation calendar for Board review at the next meeting. Carried.

Further to Board direction on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008, G. Morano tabled a report on a site visit made to Trenton with Chair MacNeil and Inspector Wright to view their set up. This visit included an overview of the technical, operating and monitoring principals of the system followed by a walking tour of the downtown area where the camera heads are installed. It is the recommendation of Chair MacNeil and member G. Morano that a camera system would be beneficial in the City of Orillia and further recommend a presentation be made to Council, the Chamber of Commerce and the Downtown Management Board. Mayor Stevens suggested that a local service group may be interested in a project of this nature. Mayor Stevens will dialogue with Bob Brown and report further at the next meeting.

**Motion #78/2008    SECURITY CAMERAS**

Moved by G. Morano, seconded by J. W. Methot that the Board supports the use of closed circuit security cameras in the City of Orillia and recommends a presentation be made to City Council, the Downtown Management Board and the Chamber of Commerce, and further that staff coordinate with Joe Scott of Scott's Security to develop and deliver the presentation. Carried.

Chair MacNeil tabled a report advising that since attendance at the OAPSB Fall Seminar will result in a deficit, he and the Executive Assistant will not be attending. This report was received as information.

## Statistical Monthly Reports

### a) Detachment Commander's Comments

Sgt. Hewlett on behalf of Inspector Wright tabled monthly statistical reports for the months of May, June and July. The Board asked that comments be made on the month of July. The following statistics were noted:

- Calls for service increased 2.04% year over year
- Property crime – year over year break and enters, and thefts increased 9.93% and 13% respectively, mischief decreased 9% year over year
- Violent Crime – year over year robberies increased by 2 incidents (200%) and total assaults increased by 9 incidents (3%)
- Provincial offences – decrease of 23.6% over the previous year
- Motor Vehicle Collisions – continue to decrease year over year
- Laser Radar – 26.5 hours of usage – 44 charges
- Public Complaints – 0

Board members noted concern with the continuing increase in property crime and inquired as to the plan of action. Sgt. Hewlett noted this is the focus of Street Crime Unit.

The Board reviewed the taxi report and received it as information.

### **Motion #79/2008 STATISTICAL REPORTS**

Moved by Mayor R. Stevens, seconded by G. Morano that the statistical reports tabled by the Detachment Commander are received as information. Carried.

The Board reviewed the taxi summary. Mayor Stevens noted that King's Taxi is parking in front of storefronts and asked that the Taxi Licencing Officer address this with the broker.

### **Motion #80/2008 TAXI SUMMARY**

Moved by J. W. Methot, seconded by G. Morano that the summary of the taxi industry in the City of Orillia is received as information. Carried.

## Correspondence to the Board

- a) Ontario Association of Police Services Board - Newsletter
- b) Zone 3 Minutes
- c) City of Orillia
  - i) Accountability Report

- ii) Safe Communities Canada
- d) CAA Nominations for Traffic Safety Officer of the Year

**Motion #81 /2008      CORRESPONDENCE – OAPSB NEWSLETTER**

Moved by T. Lauer, seconded by J. W. Methot that the Ontario Association of Police Services Board newsletter for September 2008 is received as information. Carried.

**Motion #82/2008      ZONE 3 MINUTES**

Moved by G. Morano, seconded by T. Lauer that the Zone 3 minutes be received as information. Carried.

**Motion #83/2008      CORRESPONDENCE – CITY OF ORILLIA**

Moved by Mayor R. Stevens, seconded by G. Morano that correspondence from the City of Orillia being

- a) Accountability Report
- b) Safe Communities Canada

is received as information. Carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence requesting nominations for CAA Traffic Safety Officer of the year requesting comments from the Detachment Commander. Inspector Wright advised that he has no submission for this award.

**Motion #84/2008      CAA NOMINATION FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

Moved by T. Lauer, seconded by J. W. Methot that no action be taken. Carried.

**Financial Statement**

- a) Financial Statement ending August 2008
- b) City of Orillia 2007 Financial Statement – filed in Board office
- c) 2009 Capital Budget Submissions

**Motion # 85/2008      FINANCIAL STATEMENT – August 2008**

Moved by Mayor R. Stevens, seconded by J. W. Methot that the financial statement for the period ending August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008 is received as information. Carried.

The Chair noted that a copy of the City of Orillia 2007 financial statement is filed in the Board office for anyone wishing to review same.

The Board reviewed the 2009 capital budget submission forms noting no submissions at this time.

#### Other Business

- a) Request to purchase office chair
- b) Crime Stats – reference Orillia Packet and CP articles
- c) Detachment 2008 Business Plan – filed in Board Office
- d) December Board meeting – J. Methot
- e) Memo from Chair – Board Elections
- f) Next Meeting – Tuesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008

The Board reviewed and approved a request by S. Kirkwood to purchase an office chair.

#### **Motion #86/2008    APPROVE PURCHASE OF OFFICE CHAIR**

Moved by Mayor R. Stevens, seconded by G. Morano that the Executive Assistant to the Board is authorized to fund the purchase of an office chair through the Board Reserve for Equipment, account number 06-6 - 4331-0000, not to exceed \$450. Carried.

The Detachment Commander tabled a report clarifying articles from Canadian Press and the Orillia Packet on crime statistics in the City of Orillia noting data from the Canadian Press is charge data and is represented by court regions which differ from detachment boundaries and as such should not be used as crime indicators. Statistical data compiled by the OPP is based on occurrences.

The Chair noted a copy of the Detachment business plan is filed in the Board office for anyone wishing to review same.

J. Methot requested the December meeting be changed from December 16<sup>th</sup> to December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

#### **Motion #87/2008    DECEMBER BOARD MEETING**

Moved by T. Lauer, seconded by G. Morano that the December Board meeting be changed from December 16<sup>th</sup> to December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Carried.

Chair MacNeil tabled a memo advising of his absence from December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 through to April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 requesting Board consideration to hold the 2009 election of Board officers at the December meeting of the Board.

After discussion the Board agreed to hold the election in December and ratify the results at the first meeting in 2009.

**Motion #88/2008    BOARD ELECTION 2009**

Moved by Mayor R. Stevens, seconded by G. Morano that further to the memo from the Board Chair dated September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008 advising of his absence from December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 through to April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009, it is agreed that the election of Board officers will be held at the December meeting of the Board and ratified at the January 2009 meeting. Carried.

T. Lauer reported ongoing conversations with concerns of S. Chappel in the area of Couchiching Beach Park. A Neighbourhood Watch program is being instituted and will indicate that a Citizens On Patrol program and security cameras are being researched. Inspector Wright indicated police have been very involved with this matter and will continue to monitor.

Chair MacNeil suggested a letter be forwarded to Inspector Wright commending D/Sgt. C. McCormick and her team for spearheading the project that resulted in the seizure of two crack houses in the City. Staff is directed to prepare a letter of commendation.

**Motion #89/2008    ADJOURN PUBLIC MEETING**

Moved by T. Lauer , seconded by J. W. Methot that the public meeting of the Board is adjourned and immediately following the Board will reconvene for an in camera session to address personnel and financial matters. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55a.m.

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Chair