



SOUTH HURON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

South Huron Municipal Office – Verity Room
Tuesday, January 10, 2017 – 3:00 pm

Members Present

Chair	Jim Dietrich
Vice Chair	Mark Hartman
Member	Maureen Cole
OPP	Inspector Jason Younan
Guest	Dan Best, CAO
Guest	George Finch, Community Member
Administration	Jo-Anne Fields

1. Call to Order & Welcome

Chair, Jim Dietrich extended a warm welcome to the members and thanked them for their commitment to policing in South Huron.

2. Election of Officers – Chair/Vice Chair

Position - Chair

Recording Secretary Jo-Anne Fields called for nominations for the position of Chair for the South Huron Police Services Board for the first time. Hartman nominated Jim Dietrich for the position of Chair.

J. Fields called for nominations for the position of Chair for the South Huron Police Services Board for the second time. J. Fields called for nominations for the position of Chair for the South Huron Police Services Board for the third and final time. There were no further nominations.

Position – Vice Chair

Recording Secretary Jo-Anne Fields called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair for the South Huron Police Services Board for the first time. Dietrich nominated Mark Hartman for the position of Vice Chair.

J. Fields called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair for the South Huron Police Services Board for the second time. J. Fields called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair for the South Huron Police Services Board for the third and final time. There were no further nominations.

Motion - 01/01/17

Moved: Hartman
Seconded: Cole

**“THAT we now close nominations and declare the officers positions filled as follows:
Chair – Jim Dietrich
Vice Chair – Mark Hartman”**

Disposition: Carried

3. Conflict of Interest

No Conflict of Interest declared

4. Changes/Additions to the Agenda

- No changes/additions to the Agenda

5. Approval of the Minutes

Motion – 02/01/17

Moved by: Cole
Seconded by: Hartman

“THAT the minutes of November 8, 2016 meeting be approved as circulated.”

Disposition: Carried

Comment – Member Cole requested clarification on the name of the Board member who made the last two comments of the OPP report from November regarding the budget.

Dietrich noted that he made the comments. This should have been clarified in the minutes

6. Business arising from the Minutes

- No business arising from the previous minutes

7. O.P.P. Report

- Detailed reports were distributed prior to the meeting for review and to allow for effective discussion at the Board meeting
- Reviewed the Crime and Traffic reports for the month of November and December
- Inspector Younan provided an overview and explanation of the reports with the Board
- Executed a controlled drugs and substances search warrant at a residence – good results
- Outstanding arrest warrants were executed – positive initiative
- Clearance rates for November were slightly lower however pleased with the results – aim for 20%
- Younan provided an overview of the festive RIDE program for 2016
- Increased number of checkpoints heightens public awareness promoting proactive policing and safer roadways
- Festive ride program began November 21, 2016 and ended January 7, 2017
- Huron County OPP officers conducted a total of 264 checkpoints during the campaign
- During the campaign, 5 warn range suspensions were delivered and another 8 drivers were charged with Over 80/Impaired/Refusal offences
- The increased number of checkpoints and high level of police visibility during the annual campaign plays an important role in part in keeping Huron County roadways safe from drunk and drugged drivers
- Inspector Younan spoke to the offenses and noted variances from when the report was circulated
- Property Crimes – 7 not 6 – related to unlocked residences – usually vehicles but must lock doors on property as well
- Inspector Younan noted that it is encouraging that the on line self-reporting module was used to report property crime – important that we continue to promote this avenue, creating awareness and education
- Phone scams continue to be an issue – encourage residents that before they commit funds, contact Police
- Call for services billing summary – snapshot for the year – Younan provided a comprehensive overview and the impact that it would have on the Municipal Contract
- As of report date of January 4, 2017, there is an increase in hours compared to 2015
- Hartman commented on how proud he was to see Officers and Auxiliary Officers at Hansen's - YIG in December promoting "stuff the cruiser event" – impact the community in a positive way
- Hartman also commented on the following heartwarming story – *A kind and generous*

local citizen went out to purchase some Christmas presents for the less fortunate children in the local area. She made several purchases and had built up a nice collection of colouring books, craft supplies, board games and toys, all destined for a local church Christmas toy drive. She needed to get some batteries for the toys so she stopped in at the Canadian Tire store in Exeter. She quickly went inside to finish up her shopping. When she returned to her vehicle she realized someone had entered her locked vehicle and stole a red plastic bag that contained all of the presents. The officers working in Exeter that day didn't want this woman's act of kindness to go unnoticed, so they each chipped in money to purchase some replacement toys. The Canadian Tire Store eagerly matched and even exceeded the officers' donation and collectively they were able to come up with a sizable sack of toys for the victim

- Hartman noted that this incident is a "big deal and the compassion shown by the Officers and Canadian Tire is heartwarming"
- Cole echoed these comments and suggested that the Board send correspondence to the Officers thanking them for their thoughtfulness of this gesture to reiterate the Boards appreciation for their efforts
- Secretary Fields was directed to prepare messages of thanks to the 3 officers involved
- Hartman offered to purchase and donate a gift basket to the officers to express our gratitude, thanks and appreciation for their kindness, generosity and compassion
- After discussion, it was decided to invite the 3 officers involved to a future Police Services Board meeting, personally thank them and present them with the gift of appreciation donated by Hartman

Motion – 03/01/17

Moved by: Hartman
Seconded by: Cole

"THAT the O.P.P. Report be received as presented."

Disposition: Carried

8. Correspondence

- Correspondence is forwarded to Board members as received
- Notice of OAPSB Zone 5 Election of Officers was forwarded to the Zone membership – will be held at the March meeting – date, location and venue have not been shared
- Zone 5 Secretary/Treasurer has requested 2017 meeting dates
- Goderich will be hosting the June meeting

9. New Business

- Chair Dietrich apologized for not welcoming guests earlier in the meeting. He thanked both George Finch and Dan Best for attending the South Huron Police Services Board meeting

10. Unfinished Business

- There was no unfinished business for discussion and/or follow up

11. Date of Next Meeting

- Next meeting regular will be held at the South Huron Municipal Office on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 4:05 pm or sooner at the call of the Chair.

12. Adjournment

Motion – 04/01/17

Moved by: Hartman
Seconded by: Cole

“THAT the meeting be adjourned at 3:30 pm.”

Disposition: Carried