



SOUTH HURON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

Remote Electronic Meeting
Tuesday, July 13, 2021 – 4:05 pm

Members Present

Chair	Jim Dietrich
Vice Chair	Mark Hartman
Member	Dave Frayne
OPP	Inspector Jason Younan
Recording Secretary	Jo-Anne Fields

1. Call to Order & Welcome

Chair Jim Dietrich called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm and welcomed the members to the meeting, thanking them for their commitment to policing in South Huron.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

- None declared

3. Changes/Additions to the Agenda

- No changes/additions to the Agenda

4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion – 27/07/21

Moved by: Dave Frayne
Seconded by: Mark Hartman

“That the Agenda be approved as circulated.”

Disposition: Carried

5. Approval of the Minutes

Motion – 28/07/21

Moved by: Mark Hartman
Seconded by: Dave Frayne

“That the minutes of June 08, 2021 meeting be approved as circulated.”

Disposition: Carried

6. O.P.P. Report

- Detailed report for June was distributed prior to the meeting for review and to allow for effective discussion at the Board meeting
- Inspector Jason Younan provided a comprehensive overview and explanation of the report
- Noted that property crimes may increase as COVID guideline relax
- There has been a growing interest in copper wire again – unoccupied residences have been entered to gain access
- Ironwood Golf Course was broken into during the month
- Internet fraud continues – any groups or organizations wishing presentations by the OPP are welcome to contact the OPP or the Board Chair – presentations can proceed in a COVID friendly manner
- Drug crimes are far and wide, and readily available throughout the County – homelessness continues and is sometimes associated with mental health concerns and/or drug usage
- RIDE programs continue
- Focus patrols – 5 hours were dedicated to the Shipka speeding concern – speed signs that have been installed are assisting to reduce speeding in this area
- Fireworks – provided an update to the Board surrounding this ongoing issue
- Illegal activities have been occurring in public washrooms at Victoria Park and the Splash Zone in Exeter, creating a safety hazard for the public and municipal staff
- Automatic door locks, on a timer system were installed previously to address this problem in the evening hours
- Moving forward, washroom access will only be allowed during peak program times – 9 am to 8 pm
- OPP have increased patrols surrounding this issue
- Inspector Younan spent some time in the areas of concern and noted that WIFI is offered free of charge in the Splash Zone/MacNaughton Park area – this may contribute to individuals congregating in these areas, as well as to increased drug usage
- Installation of security cameras may assist in monitoring the activities of the area and are relatively inexpensive to purchase
- Increased lighting in the areas of concern may discourage individuals from partaking in illegal activities

- For the safety of the community, should you observe any unlawful actions, please report to the OPP immediately
- Calls for service billing summary report – mental health calls are slightly increasing which has been the trend across the County
- Calls for service are down 1,000 hours from this year at same time
- Officers will be patrolling the Crediton detour route as bridge construction continues – proactive policing
- Inspector Younan noted that Superintendent Lisa Darling will be in attendance at a future Board meeting
- Chair Dietrich thanked Inspector Younan for providing the overview and explanation to the Board

Motion – 29/07/21

Moved by: Mark Hartman
Seconded by: Dave Frayne

“That the O.P.P. Report be received as presented.”

Disposition: Carried

7. Delegations

- None

8. Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

- South Huron Council adopted the Plan by By-Law on June 21, 2021
- South Huron Community Safety and Well-Being Plan was submitted prior to the deadline of July 1, 2021
- Media Release has been prepared for circulation

9. Correspondence

- Notice of Resignation of OAPSB Executive Director Fred Kaustinen – Fred has been appointed by Halton Police Board as Chief Governance Officer – congratulations on new position and best of luck in the future

10. New Business

- Exeter BIA has expressed concerns surrounding the usage of the Main Street parkette gazebo – encouraged to call OPP when observing illegal activities
- Shared office space for OPP in the community of South Huron to facilitate officer work stations and provide washroom access
- Discussion centered around possible sites that could accommodate this request
- After much discussion, the Board is recommending to Council that the OPP be allowed access to the Fire Stations in South Huron for this purpose

- Great partnership opportunity, with increased OPP presence in South Huron

Motion – 30/07/21

Moved by: Dave Frayne
Seconded by: Mark Hartman

**“That the South Huron Police Services Board recommend to South Huron Council that the OPP be allowed access to Fire Stations in South Huron to facilitate officer work stations and provide washroom access;
AND that the Inspector and the South Huron Fire Chief collaborate to move forward with this initiative.”**

Disposition: Carried

11. Unfinished Business

- Safety tag lines – roll out after COVID-19

12. Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting of the Police Service Board will be held at the South Huron Municipal Office on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 4:05 pm or at the call of the Chair.

13. Adjournment

Motion – 31/07/21

Moved by: Mark Hartman
Seconded by: Dave Frayne

“That the meeting be adjourned at 4:50 pm.”

Disposition: Carried

Chair – J. Dietrich

Recording Secretary – J. Fields

Date