

City of
KAWARTHA LAKES
POLICE SERVICES BOARD



Minutes of the **OPEN MEETING** of the **CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES POLICE SERVICES BOARD** held on April 18th, 2024.

MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES POLICE SERVICES BOARD

PRESENT

Mr. D. Blackburn
Mr. D. Elmslie
Ms. V. Barkey
Mr. E. Smeaton
Ms. K. Chiasson

MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE SERVICE PRESENT

Chief M. Mitchell
Insp. K. Robertson

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Barkey called the Open Meeting of the City of Kawartha Lakes Police Services Board to Order at 0931 hours.

Ms. Barkey welcomed the Ministry representatives, Jeeti Sahota (SOLGEN) and Devendra Sukhdeo.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Thereafter a quorum was confirmed.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of Pecuniary Interest.

Mr. Blackburn declared a conflict of interest relating to the deputation by Kawartha Haliburton Victim Services, as he is a current member of the KHVS, and recused himself from the presentation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was reviewed and was approved on motion of Mr. Elmslie, seconded by M.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS/DEPUTATIONS

1. PC Aaron Dale (Toronto Police), Military Veterans Wellness Program – PC Aaron Dale described how Military Veterans across Canada are susceptible to increased physical and mental health challenges, and the gap in service delivery to them. He outlined a program to coincide with the Well-Being Framework, with the ultimate outcome of prosperity for all our Canadian Armed Forces Veterans, and increased public safety for all communities

across Canada. He also noted the similarity between Military and First Responders populations. The implementation package is available to all Police Services.

Chief Mitchell noted that the Kawartha Lakes Police Service is fully supportive of the program, and that there is no cost for training or implementation. Although the City of Kawartha Lakes does not have a large local veteran population, it is critical to have the ability to identify veterans.

MOVED BY: Mr. Elmslie, SECONDED BY: Mr. Blackburn

Be it resolved that the Board receive the presentation, and that the Board endorse the Program. **CARRIED**

2. John Hagarty, Executive Director, Kawartha Haliburton Victim Services - Mr. Hagarty described the breadth of services provided by Kawartha Haliburton Victim Services. He also noted that there has been a significant increase in the incidence and reporting of intimate partner reporting (56% since 2018).

Mr. Hagarty is asking the Board to consider financially supporting the KHVS in the Board's 2025 Budget on an annualized basis, approximately 1% of the Board's operating budget to support KHVS.

*** Mr. Blackburn was recalled to the meeting to vote on the motion to receive the presentation and defer discussion to 2025 Budget deliberations.

MOVED BY: Mr. Elmslie, SECONDED BY: Ms. Barkey

Be it resolved that the Board receive the presentation and refer the presentation to Budget deliberations. **CARRIED**

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Copies of the minutes of the (Open) Meeting of the City of Kawartha Lakes Police Services Board held on March 21st, 2024 were previously circulated.

MOVED BY: Mr. Blackburn, SECONDED BY: Mr. Elmslie

Resolved that the minutes of the Open Meeting of the City of Kawartha Lakes Police Services Board, March 21st, 2024 be adopted as printed and circulated. **CARRIED**

4. **STATISTICAL REPORTS – March 2024**

Copies of the *Statistical Reports for the Municipal Police Service* for March 2024 were provided (copy attached to official minutes). Chief Mitchell provided a brief overview, noting that although it is early in the year to identify trends, Criminal Charges continue to trend at abnormally high levels, Traffic Enforcement is up, indicating officers have time to dedicate to proactive activities and investment in staffing.

MOVED BY: Mr. Elmslie, SECONDED BY: Mr. Blackburn

Resolved that the Municipal Police Services Statistical Reports for March 2024 be received. **CARRIED**

5. ACCOUNTS TO BE APPROVED AS PAID

Copies of the *Municipal Police Services Accounts* for the period March 2024 were previously distributed (copy attached to official minutes). Chief Mitchell noted that Leah Rea works diligently to manage the financial reporting, with a significant number of grant applications.

MOVED BY: Mr. Blackburn, SECONDED BY: Mr. Elmslie

Resolved that the Municipal Police Service Accounts for the period March 2024 be approved as paid.

CARRIED

6. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items for the Consent Agenda.

7. OLD BUSINESS/STANDING ITEMS

7.1 **OAPSB/Zone 3 Updates** – Mr. Blackburn provided an overview and noted that elections for zone 3 officers have been postponed until September 2024.

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORT OF THE CHIEF

9.1 **PSB2024-011 Appointment of New Officers** – Copies of PSB2024-011, *Appointment of New Officers*, were previously circulated (copy attached to official minutes).

MOVED BY: Mr. Elmslie, SECONDED BY: Mr. Blackburn

Resolved that the Board appoint Constable Nicholas DeRyck, Constable Jonathan Deschamps and Constable Michael McCrackin as members of the Kawartha Lakes Police Service (as required under Section 31(1)(c) of the Community Safety and Policing Act).

CARRIED

10. VERBAL REPORT OF THE CHIEF

(1) **CSPA Transition** – There will be a transition period as police agencies and Boards update their own policies and procedures to reflect the new CSPA and supporting Regulation, which came into effect on April 1st, 2024. One area of significant change is public complaints. The former Office of the Independent Review Director (OIPRD) has been replaced by the Law Enforcement Complaints Agency (LECA), which handles misconduct complaints against officers. Police complaints, which were previously handled by OIPRD, now fall under the new Inspector General of Policing. The Kawartha Lakes Police Services Board will need to update policies, such as the complaint policy. The current policy only addresses complaints about other Board members, but the Act lays out responsibilities for the Board in the case of complaints against the Chief or Deputy Chief.

(2) **April 5 OPP Correspondence** – The Commander of the municipal policing bureau has written to advise that the OPP is in the process of developing “Section 14” templates

for agreements with municipalities on the provision of some services or functions. In the interim, the existing protocols for urgent and non-urgent requests for assistance remain in place.

- (3) Chief Mitchell's last day will be May 17th, 2024. Save the Date for August 9th, 2024 for the change of command ceremony. A formal invitation will be forthcoming.

MOVED BY: Mr. Blackburn, SECONDED BY: Mr. Elmslie
Resolved that the Report of the Chief be received.

CARRIED

11. MOTION TO MOVED INTO CLOSED MEETING

MOVED BY: Mr. Elmslie, SECONDED BY: Mr. Blackburn
Resolved that the Board adjourn the public portion of its meeting to move IN CAMERA to discuss confidential items pertaining to legal and personnel matters, in accordance with Section 3594 of the Police Services Act.

CARRIED

12. REPORT FROM CLOSED MEETING

13. CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

MOVED BY: Mr. Blackburn, SECONDED BY: Mr. Elmslie
Resolved that any motions passed in the Closed portion of the City of Kawartha Lakes Police Services Board meeting be approved.

CARRIED

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: Mr. Blackburn
Resolved that the meeting adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 1122 hours.

READ AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024.

**CHAIRPERSON,
City of Kawartha Lakes Police Services Board**