

STRATFORD POLICE SERVICES BOARD

A meeting of the Stratford Police Services Board was held on the 18th day of December, 2019 at 4:30 pm, Council Chamber, City Hall.

PRESENT: Dan Mathieson (Chair), Graham Bunting, Tim Doherty, Peter Hyde, Rosemary Tanner, Deputy Chief Gerry Foster, Inspector Jason Clarke, Pat Shantz – Executive Assistant.

MINUTES

1. Call to order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

Peter Hyde declared a pecuniary interest in the November 2019 accounts for the rental of 154 Downie Street as his spouse owns the building.

3. Adoption of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 20th, 2019

MOTION by Rosemary Tanner | Graham Bunting

That the minutes of the regular meeting of November 20th, 2019, be adopted as presented. Carried.

4. Hearings of Deputations and Presentations

There were no hearings of deputations and presentations scheduled.

5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

5.1 Purchase of Vehicles

The Deputy Chief advised that the two Fusion vehicles that are currently at the end of their lease can be purchased for \$13,956 each, including tax. Both vehicles have under 30,000 km and are in very good shape.

Motion by Rosemary Tanner | Peter Hyde

That the Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the two vehicles currently at the end of their lease for a total of \$27,912 including tax and not proceed with leasing two new vehicles. Carried.

6. Receipt of Monthly Statistical Reports – November 2019

Inspector Clarke reviewed the individual Statistical Reports for November 2019 with the Board and answered questions.

6.1 Stratford

There were 1478 calls for service, 134 e-tickets were issued and 88 warnings were given. There were four auto thefts reported and Inspector Clarke advised that vehicles are being stolen and

license plates changed in London, St. Marys, Perth South and Stratford. There were five RIDE programs in November that were spread throughout Stratford, St Marys and Perth South.

6.2 St Marys

There were 216 calls for service, 27 e-tickets were issued and 16 warnings were given. There was a spike in thefts from unlocked vehicles.

6.3 Perth South

There were 198 calls for service, 74 e-tickets were issued and 19 warnings were given. Motor vehicle collisions more than doubled from last month due to bad weather days.

6.4 Crime Stoppers

The Deputy Chief advised that three tips had been received in Stratford over the past month.

MOTION by Graham Bunting | Rosemary Tanner
That the Monthly Statistic Reports for October 2019 be received. Carried.

7. Approval of Monthly Accounts – November 2019

The Deputy Chief reviewed the accounts with the Board and advised that the accounts are in a good position and a surplus is projected for this budget year. Some accounts are in overdraft due to larger purchase items such as firearms and work stations, desks, chairs, etc. regarding the relocation of some offices. Money is being held in reserve accounts to cover these costs, however, the Chief would like to use the surplus money available instead.

Motion by Graham Bunting | Rosemary Tanner
To use surplus money available at the end of 2019 to offset accounts currently in overdraft in the amount of \$225,000 and not use funds from the reserve account. Carried.

Motion by Rosemary Tanner | Peter Hyde
That the monthly accounts for October, 2019, with the exception of the accounts regarding the rent for 154 Downie Street, be approved for payment. Carried.

Motion by Tim Doherty | Graham Bunting
That the accounts for the rent for 154 Downie Street for November, 2019, be approved for payment. Carried.

8. Police Association Business

There was no Police Association business at this time.

9. Public Complaints

The Deputy Chief advised that regarding the complaint referred to at the last meeting, prior to an investigation, a customer service resolution was met and the complainant withdrew the complaint. The OIRPD appreciates a Service reaching a resolution when possible, ensuring the satisfaction of the complainant.

A new complaint was received regarding the conduct of an off-duty officer and an internal investigation is underway.

10. Correspondence

The Chief answered questions from the Board regarding the correspondence received.

11. Consent Items

11.1 Taxi Driver Licenses

Motion by Graham Bunting | Tim Doherty

That on the recommendation of the Chief, Navaneethan Navaratnam (City Cabs) and Gary Steven Muma (Stratford Taxi) be approved for a taxi license. Carried.

12. New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

13. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020, in the Council Chamber.

14. Adjournment

Motion by Tim Doherty | Rosemary Tanner

That the meeting adjourn to an In Camera session to discuss personal matters about identifiable individuals, to reconvene in open session if required. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.

"Dan Mathieson"

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Dan Mathieson - Chair