

**MINUTES OF THE HAMILTON
POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

Thursday, February 26, 2015
2:21pm
Hamilton City Hall
Council Chambers

The Police Services Board met.

There were present: Lloyd Ferguson, Chair
Madeleine Levy, Vice Chair
Fred Eisenberger
Walt Juchniewicz
Irene Stayshyn
Terry Whitehead

Absent with regrets: Stanley Tick

Also Present: Chief Glenn DeCaire
Deputy Chief Eric Girt
Deputy Chief Ken Weatherill
Superintendent Jamie Anderson
Superintendent Dave Calvert
Superintendent Debbie Clark
Superintendent Nancy Goodes-Ritchie
Superintendent Dan Kinsella
Superintendent Paul Morrison
Superintendent Mike Shea
Inspector Ryan Diodati
Inspector Greg Huss
Inspector Scott Rastin
Inspector Mike Worster
Staff Sergeant Maggie Schoen
Staff Sergeant Hennick
Marco Visentini, Legal Counsel
Dan Bowman, Manager, Fleet & Facilities
Catherine Martin, Corporate Communicator
Ted Mason, Manager, Finance
Ross Memmolo, Manager, Computer Services
John Randazzo, Assistant Manager, Finance
Yakov Sluchenkov, Acting Manager, Human Resources
Peter Osinga, Policing Advisor, MCSCS
Lois Morin, Administrator

Member Ferguson called the meeting to order.

Presentations

2.1 Members of the Month

Chair Ferguson and Chief DeCaire presented the Member of the Month Award to Constable Ryan Howard. Constable Howard was commended for his willingness to be involved and the tremendous assistance given to a very young, and seriously injured victim.

Chair Ferguson and Chief DeCaire presented the Member of the Month Award to George Novoselac. Constable Novoselac was commended for his dedication, determination and work ethic.

2.2 Deputation: Mr. John Neary, with respect to the proposed Investigative Services Facility

After the presentation the board approved the following.

Moved by: Member Whitehead

Seconded by: Vice Chair Levy

That the Board receive the presentation with respect to the proposed Investigative Services Facility, as provided.

Carried

2.3 Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment (ODARA)

Staff Sergeant Dave Hennick provided a presentation to the Board with respect to the Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment Tool.

After the presentation the board approved the following.

Moved by: Member Eisenberger

Seconded by: Member Juchniewicz

That the Board receive the presentation with respect to the Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment (ADARA), as provided.

Carried

General**3.1 Declarations of Interest**

None

Consent Agenda**4.1 Approval of Consent Items**

Moved by: Member Stayshyn

Seconded by: Member Juchniewicz

That the Board approve and receive the consent items as distributed.

Carried

4.2 Adoption of Minutes – January 22, 2015

The minutes of the meeting held Thursday, January 22, 2015, be adopted as printed.

4.3 Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report (PSB 15-017)

That the Board direct the Administrator of the Board to refer this report, in its entirety, to the City of Hamilton, for information.

4.4 For the Information of the Board:

- a) Mladen (Steve) Mesic Inquest (PSB 13-104a) (See also PSB 13-104)

Chief DeCaire provided comments on PSB 13-104a and requested Superintendent Morrison to provide further information with respect to the Hamilton Police Service response to the recommendations included in the Mesic Inquest

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Vice Chair Levy

Seconded by: Member Whitehead

That the Board receive the presentation provided by Chief DeCaire and Superintendent Morrison with respect to the Mladen (Steve) Mesic Inquest (PSB 13-104a).

Carried.

- b) Hamilton Police Service Safe Driving Program (PSB 15-010)
- c) Year-End Report: Hamilton Police Retirees' Activities – 2014 (PSB 15-014)
- d) Correspondence from Mr. Ken East, President, Ontario Association of Police Services Board (OAPSB) with respect to the 2015 Membership in the OAPSB.
- e) Correspondence from the Canadian Association of Police Governance with respect to a Call for Nominees for the 2015 Emil Kolb Award for Excellence in Police Governance.

**Discussion
Agenda****5.1 City Council Meeting – January 21, 2015**

Chief DeCaire reminded Board Members of the request to the City of Hamilton to review and report back on the processes and practices of the Hamilton Police Service as outlined in correspondence from Mr. Chandrashekar. He further reminded the Board of the areas that were included in the audit and advised the Board that the audit found no abnormalities. Chief DeCaire stated that he has great confidence in the work ethics and integrity of our finance staff.

Chair Ferguson indicated to the Board that he asked the City Auditor if there were any areas that the Board should be concerned about and was told absolutely not.

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Eisenberger
Seconded by: Member Juchniewicz

That the Hamilton Police Services Board receive the Audit, Finance & Administration Committee Report 15-001, Item 11 with respect to Report 2014-2015 – Review of Hamilton Police Service (HPS) Issues Identified by Mr. Chandrashekar (AUD15001) City Wide), as printed.

Carried.

5.2 Reward for Information – Unsolved Homicide – Michael Sullivan (PSB 15-016)

After discussion, as recommended by Chief DeCaire in PSB 15-016 dated February 26, 2015, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Eisenberger
Seconded by: Member Stayshyn

- a) That the Board authorize a reward in the amount of \$50,000.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person(s) unknown, responsible for the death of Michael Sullivan.
- b) That 20% of the reward money offered be transferred to Police Reward Reserve Account #11225, for a total of \$10,000.00.

Carried.

New Business

6.1 Update: Interval House

Chief DeCaire provided an update with respect to the meeting with the Board and Executive Director of Interval House. On June 6, 2014, Board Members Ferguson, Collins, and Whitehead received correspondence from the Executive Director of the Interval House. In July, 2014 the Board received a comprehensive report with respect to the 5 Year Summary of Hamilton Police Service Work with Women's Services Groups. After this presentation to the Board, Chair Ferguson and Chief DeCaire were instructed to meet with the Board and Executive Director of Interval House and that meeting took place on September 30, 2014. At that meeting the Executive Director of Interval House apologized for the misinformation contained within the correspondence and sited publicly. Chief DeCaire reiterated that it is important to remain relentlessly focused on domestic violence and sexual assault and maintain strong partnerships within the community.

Chair Ferguson provided further comments with respect to the request to meet with the Board of Interval House. At that time a copy of the report that had been referenced and was of concern to this Board was requested and received. After the report was received it was reviewed for the information that was a concern to the Board. At that meeting with the Interval House Board, the Executive Director did apologize for misquoting the report within the correspondence which was cited publicly.

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Whitehead
Seconded by: Member Eisenberger

That the Board receive the verbal report provided.

Carried.

6.2 National Coalition Against Contraband Tobacco

Member Eisenberger asked Chief DeCaire what the Hamilton Police Service is doing with respect to the issues surrounding contraband tobacco.

Chief DeCaire stated that he is working with the Mr. Grant and the Coalition and will provide a report to the Board at a later date.

6.3 Electronic Agendas

Member Eisenberger asked if the Board would consider the usage of iPads or other technology and a new approach for a new age getting away from the reams of paper that are used monthly.

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Eisenberger
Seconded by: Vice Chair Levy

That the Board Administrator research Big 12 Board usage and the feasibility of going to a paperless agenda for the Board's monthly meetings.

Carried.

6.4 In Camera Meeting Structure

Member Eisenberger requested clarification with respect to holding the in camera sessions first noting the amount of staff and public waiting for the open session. He further stated that it would make more sense to hold the public session first with the in camera session to follow.

Chair Ferguson provided an explanation with respect to the intent of holding in camera meetings first.

Chair Ferguson asked Vice Chair Levy to take the Chair. Chair Ferguson was excused for the remainder of the meeting.

Member Whitehead mentioned that this is a relatively new pilot and requested that the Board have a few more meetings in order to review the process.

Member Juchniewicz brought forward his concerns with respect to the number of e-mails that Board Members receive requesting whether Board Members could receive these e-mails by way of an alternate method.

Chief DeCaire provided comments on the Meeting Structure.

It was decided that further discussions will take place on these issue.

6.5 Wellness Strategy Conference

Vice Chair Levy congratulated Chief DeCaire for participating in the recent Wellness Strategy Conference and the strategies that the Hamilton Police Service is utilizing for our own service members. She also expressed her interest in hearing further about Best Practices in this area.

6.6 Next Meeting of the Board

Chair Ferguson announced that the next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, 2015, 2:00pm, at Hamilton City Hall, Council Chambers.

Adjournment

Moved by: Member Whitehead
Seconded by: Member Stayshyn

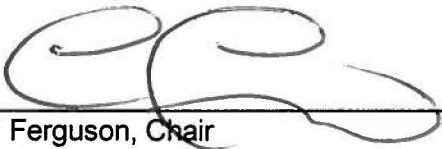
There being no further business, the public portion of the meeting then adjourned at 4:11pm.

Carried.

The Board then met in camera to discuss matters of a private and confidential nature.

Taken as read and approved



Lois Morin
Administrator

Lloyd Ferguson, Chair
Police Services Board

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