MINUTES OF THE HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

Friday, June 16, 2017 2:08pm Hamilton City Hall Council Chambers

The Police Services Board met.

There were present:

Lloyd Ferguson, Chair

Madeleine Levy, Vice Chair

Fred Eisenberger Walt Juchniewicz Don MacVicar Stanley Tick Terry Whitehead

Absent with regrets:

None

Also Present:

Chief Eric Girt

Deputy Chief Dan Kinsella

Acting Deputy Chief Jamie Anderson

Superintendent Debbie Clark Superintendent Ryan Diodati Superintendent Mike Worster

Acting Superintendent Glenn Bullock

Inspector Greg Hamilton Inspector Dave Hennick Inspector Greg Huss Inspector Scott Rastin

Inspector Marty Schulenberg

Constable Steve Welton, Media Relations

Marco Visentini, Legal Counsel

Dan Bowman, Manager, Fleet and Facilities

Ross Memmolo, Manger, Information & Technology

John Randazzo, Manager, Finance Yakov Sluchenkov, Labour Relations

Lois Morin, Administrator

Chair Ferguson called the meeting to order.

1.1 Additions/Changes to Agenda

Presentation – PRIDE Flag Raising

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: N

Member MacVicar

Seconded by: Member Whitehead

That the Agenda for the Hamilton Police Services Board Public meeting be adopted, as amended.

Carried.

Presentations

2.1 Member of the Month

Chair Ferguson and Chief Girt presented the Member of the Month Award for February 2017 to Constable Paul Dekker. Constable Dekker was commended for his diligence and observation skills in identifying a suspect who was charged with break, enter and commit sex assault, sexual interference and choking.

Chair Ferguson and Chief Girt presented the Member of the Month Award for March 2017 to Constable Indejit Bharaj, Constable Anthony Stanostefano, Constable Asim Butt, Constable Josh Coulter and Constable Ahmad Ahmad. Constables Bharaj, Stanostefano, Butt, Coulter and Ahmad were commended for their quick actions and bravery which resulted in the prevention of injury or loss of life to people involved in a fire.

2.2 Cheque Presentation to Crime Stoppers of Hamilton and the Law Enforcement Torch Run in Support of Special Olympics

Chief Girt presented cheques to Crime Stoppers of Hamilton and the Law Enforcement Torch Run in Support of Olympics. The monies were raised at the Chiefs Gala.

2.2(a) Presentation: PRIDE Flag Raising

Vice Chair Levy provided an update on the PRIDE Flag Raising event which took place on Monday, June 12, 2017. She presented to the Board the Photo Collage that was presented to the Hamilton Police Services Board for their support of the Rainbow Prom.

2.3 Use of Force Report - 2016

Sergeant Scott Galbraith and Sergeant Darren Murphy provided a presentation with respect to the 2016 Use of Force Report.

Moved by: Member MacVicar Seconded by: Vice Chair Levy

That the presentation with respect to the 2016 Use of Force Report be received, as provided.

Carried.

Member Whitehead and Member Juchniewicz recognized and thanked the following special guests in attendance: Yolanda Czyzewski Bragues, Helena Glowgoska, President of the Canadian Police Congress Hamilton District and Romuald Wajs, President of the Polish National Union. Chair Ferguson thanked them for attending this meeting.

2.4 A.C.T.I.O.N. Report - 2016

Inspector Greg Huss and Staff Sergeant Scott Ballinson provided a presentation with respect to the 2016 A.C.T.I.O.N. Report.

Moved by:

Member MacVicar

Seconded by: Member Juchniewicz

That the presentation with respect to the 2016 A.C.T.I.O.N. Report be received, as provided.

Carried.

General

3.1 Declarations of Interest

None

Consent Agenda

4.1 Approval of Consent Items

Moved by:

Vice Chair Levy

Seconded by:

Member MacVicar

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

Carried

4.2 Adoption of Minutes – May 11, 2017

The minutes of the meeting held Thursday, May 11, 2017, be adopted as printed.

4.3 Auction Account Fund

Support / Upcoming Events

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- That the Board provide support to the Crisis Workers' Society of Ontario 33rd annual conference, in the amount of \$500, to be paid from the auction account.
- That the Board provide sponsorship to Walk a Mile in Her Shoes Hamilton 2017, in the amount of \$250, to be paid from the auction account.

4.4 For the Information of the Board:

- a) Auction Account Expenditures For Board Approval: May 2017 (PSB 17-076)
- b) Budget Variance Report as at April 30, 2017(PSB 17-078)
- c) Year-End Report: Use of Force 2016 (PSB 17-17-077)
- d) Year-End Report: ACTION Strategy 2016 (PSB 17-072)
- e) Correspondence from Lisa Hewison, President, Ontario Women in Law Enforcement thanking the Hamilton Police Service for the Silver Sponsorship.
- f) Outstanding Issues as of June 16, 2017

Discussion Agenda

5.1 Adoption of City of Hamilton Procurement Policy (PSB 12-115c)

As recommended by Chief Girt in PSB 12-115c dated June 16, 2017, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Whitehead Seconded by: Vice Chair Levy

- a) That the Board approve the adoption of the City of Hamilton Procurement Policy By-law 17-064, approved by City Council on April 12, 2017, for the Hamilton Police Service
- b) That the Board approve the amendments to the City of Hamilton Procurement Policy as listed below.

Carried.

5.2 Year-End Report: Budget Variance Report – 2016 (PSB 17-079)

As recommended by Chief Girt in PSB 17-079 dated June 16, 2017, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Vice Chair Levy Seconded by: Member MacVicar

That the Hamilton Police Services Board approve the Allocation Plan for the 2016 Operating Budget favourable variance of \$76,986, retaining the surplus in the Police Tax Stabilization Reserve.

Carried.

5.3 Performance Audit – Police Reserves (PSB 17-080, see also City Audit, Finance and Administration Committee Report AUD 17011)

As recommended by Chief Girt in PSB 17-080 dated June 16, 2017, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member MacVicar Seconded by: Vice Chair Levy

That the Hamilton Police Service Board approve closure of the Provision fc Police Litigation Reserve 112210 and the Police Special Events Reserve 112220 and transfer the December 31, 2016 ending balances of \$259,851 (\$254,733 – 2015) and \$113,487 (\$111,252 – 2015) respectively to the Pol Tax Stabilization Reserve 104055.

That the Hamilton Police Service Board approve maintaining the Police Vacation Liability Reserve 112029 as a separate Reserve.

That the Hamilton Police Service Board direct the Board Administrator to refer the Board motion together with this report for execution of the motion to the City of Hamilton.

Carried.

5.4 Police Service Cost to Support City of Hamilton's Specialized By-Law Enforcement Unit (PSB 17-081)

As recommended by Chief Girt in PSB 17-081 dated June 16, 2017, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Whitehead Seconded by: Member Juchniewicz

That the Hamilton Police Service Board approve waving the cost recovery salary/wages of a Special Duty Officer for the City of Hamilton's By-law Enforcement Unit.

Carried.

New Business

Transgender / LGBTQ Update

Vice Chair Levy requested an update with respect to Transgender and LGBTQ issues discussed in prior Meetings of the Board.

Chief Girt provided an update with respect to washrooms which have been altered within the service. Chief Girt further provided information on the Transgender pamphlet that was provided by Vice Chair Levy noting that Deputy Chief Kinsella is working with the LGBTQ committee to review the pamphlet. Deputy Chief Kinsella mentioned that the committee liked the Toronto pamphlet, however, would like to see a pamphlet made for Hamilton.

Vice Chair Levy further noted that the Toronto Police Services Board is in the process of reviewing all of their policies with respect to LGBTQ / Transgender, and would keep the Board apprised of anything further that could be implemented in Hamilton.

Thanks

Member Juchniewicz thanked Chief Girt and his family for the work that has been accomplished in the community.

Multi-year Budgeting for the City of Hamilton

Member Whitehead noted that he is part of the Multi-year Budgeting Committee for the City and he was aware that the Service has been requested to be involved. Chief Girt noted that Mr. Randazzo will be working with the City on behalf of the Service. Chief Girt further noted that the Service is in the process of reviewing the budget for the next three years and will be participating in multi-year budgeting.

Investigative Services Building

Chair Ferguson requested an update with respect to the progress on the Investigative Services Building. Mr. Bowman provided an update with respect to the status on the new Investigative Services Building.

Monthly Highlights

Vice Chair Levy highlighted Police in the Park, Safety Patroller of the Year, Support the Troops, Chief's Gala Fundraiser and the Pride Flag Raising. She thanked the Chief and all staff involved for their hard work and dedication.

Chief provided the comments on the OACP award that has been created in recognition of Catherin Martin Corporate Communicator.

Chief Girt noted that hate crime statistics were released and there is an increase in the some areas which the service will be reviewing.

Chair Ferguson provided the following comments:

- On behalf of the Board I would like to congratulate Chief Girt who was appointed a member of the executive team for the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police.
- On behalf of the Board I would like to congratulate Constable Sara Beck who was awarded the International Association of Women Police Excellence in Performance Award for her work on human trafficking. Well Done!

Just this week, Catherine Martin of the Hamilton Police Service was honoured posthumously by the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police and was named this year's recipient of the OACP/OMRON Award of Excellence in Media Relations. Further the OACP revealed the creation of "The Catherine Martin Award for Excellence in Media Relations" which will be awarded at the 2018 Annual OACP Meeting. Catherine was the ultimate professional and an excellent corporate communicator.

Next Meeting of the Board

Chair Ferguson announced that the next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Thursday, July 27, 2017, 2:00pm, at Hamilton City Hall, Council Chambers.

Adjournment

Moved by: Member MacVicar Seconded by: Member Juchniewicz

There being no further business, the public portion of the meeting then adjourned at 4:12pm

Carried.

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

Taken as read and approved

Lois Morin Administrator

June 16, 2017 lem: Lloyd Ferguson, Chair

Police Services Board