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Guelph Police Services Board

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Open Meeting

Minutes – January 19, 2023

An Open meeting of the Guelph Police Services Board was held by teleconference call on January 19, 2023, pursuant to sections 11.4 and 20.7 of Guelph Police Services Board By-Law 136 (2009), commencing at 2:30 p.m.

Present: P. McSherry, Vice-Chair
J. Armstrong, Member
C. Guthrie, Member
P. Allt, Member
L. LaCelle, Executive Assistant
G. Cobey, Chief of Police
D. Goetz, Deputy Chief of Police
J. Sidlofsky Stoffman, Legal Counsel
J. Allsop, Executive Assistant
S. Purton, Financial Services Manager

1.0 Welcome and Introductions

Vice-Chair McSherry asked everyone to observe a moment of silence in recognition of OPP Constable Greg Pierzchala who was killed in the line of duty on December 27, 2022, and also in recognition of former Guelph City Council member Bob Bell who passed away unexpectedly on January 17, 2023.

2.0 Meeting Called to Order and Territorial Acknowledgment

Vice-Chair McSherry called the meeting to order at 2:37 p.m. by teleconference call between the attendees and gave Territorial Acknowledgement.

3.0 Declaration of Conflict or Pecuniary Interest – None

4.0 Closed Session Resolutions – None

5.0 Presentations/Delegations – None

6.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved by P. Allt

Seconded by J. Armstrong

THAT the Guelph Police Services Board approve the Open Meeting agenda.

- CARRIED -

Part 1 – Consent Agenda

Moved by J. Armstrong

Seconded by P. Allt

THAT the Consent Agenda items be approved.

- CARRIED -

6.1 Approval of Minutes of the Open Meeting, December 15, 2022

THAT the Guelph Police Services Board approve the Open Meeting minutes of December 15, 2022.

- CARRIED -

6.2 Human Resources Report – Member Appointments

THAT Joel Yip Chuck, Bernardus Ptok, Mackenzie Sissing, and Natasha Ward be appointed as full-time members of this Service effective December 21, 2022.

FURTHER THAT Andrew Gale be appointed as a temporary member of this Service effective January 11, 2023.

FURTHER THAT Danica Lines be appointed as a full-time member of this Service effective January 30, 2023.

FURTHER THAT Stephanie McIntyre be appointed as a temporary member of this Service effective February 6, 2023.

6.3 Budget Signing Authorities

THAT the reported titled "Budget Signing Authority," and dated January 19, 2023, be received for information.

6.4 Acting Chief and Deputy Chief of Police appointment

THAT the report titled "Appointment of Acting Chief and Acting Deputy Chief of Police," and dated January 19, 2023, be received for information.

6.5 Professional Standards Q4 Report (2022)

THAT the report titled "Professional Standards Fourth Quarter Report 2022," and dated January 19, 2023, be received for information.

6.6 Board Correspondence Report

THAT the report titled "Board Correspondence Report – Open Meeting," and dated January 19, 2023, be received for information.

6.7 Microsoft Office M365 Licensing Contract Award

THAT the report titled "Microsoft Office M365 Licensing Contract Award," and dated January 19, 2023, be received for information.

6.8 Membership Renewals for 2023

6.8.1 Zone 5 and Ontario Association of Police Services Boards

THAT the Guelph Police Services Board renew its 2023 membership in the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards Zone 5 at a cost of \$250.00 to be paid from the tax supported budget.

FURTHER THAT the Guelph Police Services Board renew its 2023 membership in the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards at a cost of \$7,162.46 to be paid from the tax supported budget.

Part 2 – Discussion Agenda

6.9 Appointment of Board Chair and Vice-Chair for 2023

P. McSherry called for nominations for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair of the Guelph Police Services Board for 2023.

Moved by J. Armstrong

Seconded by P. Allt

THAT Peter McSherry be appointed to the position of Chair of the Guelph Police Services Board for 2023; and

Moved by C. Guthrie

Seconded by P. Allt

THAT Jane Armstrong be appointed to the position of Vice-Chair of the Guelph Police Services Board for 2023.

- CARRIED -

6.10 Chief's Monthly Report

- Chief Cobey thanked the Board for the acknowledgement of OPP Constable Greg Pierzchala at the start of the meeting.

- Chief Cobey highlighted that Canada's Police leaders welcome and support the call by the Premiers for change to the bail system and legislation addressing firearms related offences. The common goal is to prevent violent repeat offenders from being released into the community if they have been accused of or previously charged with offences involving firearms. The public and officers have a right to be protected from criminal behaviours of violence and repeat offenders, particularly those charged with firearms related offences. The justice system involves various players – police, prosecutors, judges, and correctional services professionals – and we must all work together to achieve positive change.
- In the coming months, the Board and the community will receive several updates as the data from 2022 is analyzed. For the Board's awareness, in 2022, Members of the Service responded to 77,933 calls, just over 5,000 more calls than last year.
- The Chief highlighted for the Board that in addition to the work that Members do while in uniform, they support the community in countless ways. One of the many initiatives that Members of the Service are involved in is the Children's Foundation of Guelph and Wellington's Adopt a Family program.
 - Since 2005, Members of the Service have raised over \$180,000.00 through various fundraisers.
 - In 2022, the annual Cops & Kids Campaign, a fundraiser for the Children's Foundation of Guelph and Wellington's Adopt a Family program, was able to support 15 families, including 17 adults and 41 children, who were provided with items such as grocery gift cards, practical items, and toys.
 - In addition to thanking Members for their support of the program, the Chief also acknowledged Emma Rogers, CEO, and Joe Migliaccio, Chair of the Children's Foundation of Guelph and Wellington for allowing the Service to be part of this important initiative which has supported so many people over the years.
- Councillor Allt asked Chief Cobey whether the Board will see the call statistics broken down further into various areas. The Chief indicated that this will be part of the annual reporting process.

6.11 New Business – None

7.0 Information Items

- Next Open Meeting: Thursday, February 16, 2023, 2:30 p.m., via Teams meeting, livestreamed on YouTube.

8.0 Adjournment

Moved by C. Guthrie

Seconded by P. Allt

THAT the Open meeting of the Guelph Police Services Board rise and recess at 3:00 p.m.

- CARRIED -

“Peter McSherry”

P. McSherry, Vice-Chair

“Leslie LaCelle”

L. LaCelle, Executive Assistant