



Essex Police Services Board (EPSB)

Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 1st, 2021 - 4:30 PM

Location: This meeting is being held electronically via Zoom

Accessible formats or communication supports are available upon request.

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Present: Councillor Kim Verbeek, Chair
Katie McGuire Blais, Vice Chair
Richard Tapping
Councillor Morley Bowman
Karen Robertson

Also Present: A/Staff Sergeant Todd Lavigne
Sergeant Mike Bradley
Chris Nepszy, Chief Administrative Officer
Doug Sweet, Director, Community Services/
Deputy CAO
Sarah Aubin, Recording Secretary

Regrets: Inspector Glenn Miller

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:41 p.m.

2. Closed Meeting Report

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no declaration of conflict interest noted at this time

4. Adoption of Published Agenda

4.1 Essex Police Service Board Regular Meeting Agenda for April 1st, 2021

EPSB-21-04-16

Moved by Katie McGuire-Blais, Vice Chair

Seconded by Councillor Bowman

That the published agenda for the April 1st 2021 Essex Police Service Board regular meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

5. Adoption of Minutes

5.1 Essex Police Service Board Regular Meeting Minutes for March 4, 2021

EPSB-21-04-17

Moved by Karen Robertson

Seconded by Councillor Bowman

That the minutes of the March 4, 2021 Essex Police Service Board Regular Meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

6. Public Presentations

None

7. Unfinished Business

8. Reports and Announcement from Committee Members

No reports or announcements noted at this time.

9. Reports from Administration

9.1 Monthly Reports

February

- 9.1.2 Police Services Board Report for Essex
- 9.1.3 Police Services Board Monthly Overview February 2021
- 9.1.4 Windsor and Essex County Crime Stoppers Report

EPSB-21-04-18

Moved by Karen Robertson

Seconded by Councillor Bowman

That the Reports listed in Agenda Item 9.1 be received.

Carried

Sergeant Bradley advised the members that there were 27 Property checks completed in February 2021 and stated that 18 were Businesses, 6 Parks and Schools and 3 Property Checks in the Colchester area.

There were 26 Motor Vehicle Collisions, 12 Property Damage, 5 Deer, 4 Non Reportable, 3 Personal, 2 fail to remain on scene.

21 Traffic Enforcements, 5 of which were from the 3rd Concession.

He advised that traffic stops were down due to weather. He advised that Mental Health responses were up. He stated that due to COVID, the Lockdown and No access to friends and family has truly weighted heavy on mental health.

Chair Councillor Verbeek questioned if the numbers were increased due to the new Youth Unit that was started within the O.P.P. detachment.

Sergeant Bradley stated that yes that could be the reason. He advised that there are now three mental health teams within the County. He advised that all three units have Nurses and Councillors riding with the officers to help assist residents on site.

Sergeant Lavigne advised the members that there were a few items that he would like discuss. He stated that Constable Kim Grey was dropping books off for the community

with Councillor Bondy the previous weekend, and that he would like to recognize the two officers who purchased a bike for a little boy that had his bike stolen. He stated that they do not want their names released however he would like to thank them for their generosity.

Sergeant Bradley advised that his tenor has ended with the Town of Essex and that he is returning to Chatham-Kent.

Chair Councillor Verbeek thanked him for his service.

9.2 Partnership Request – Ontario Association of Police Service Board 2021 Spring Conference and AGM Member Sponsorship Opportunity

EPSB-21-04-19

Moved by Councillor Bowman

Seconded by Katie McGuire Blais, Vice Chair

That the committee allocate \$500 to sponsor the 2021 OAPSB Spring Conference & AGM to be funded from the Police Services Board operating budget.

Carried

10. Correspondence

10.1 Information Purposes Only

10.1.1 21-0021 In Force Date of Changes to Custody and Access Terminology in Family Law

10.1.2 21-0021 Changes to Custody and Access Terminology in Family Law coming into force on March 1, 2021

10.1.3 21-0022- Amendments to Orders under the Reopening Ontario Act and the Extension of Orders under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act

10.1.3 21-0023-Phase 1 COVID-19 Vaccinations for Frontline Police Officers

10.1.4 21-0024- Amendments to Orders under the Reopening Ontario Act

10.1.5 21-0025-Phase 1 COVID-19 Vaccinations for Special Constables

10.1.6 21-0027-Cargo Power-Assisted Bicycles (cargo E-bikes) Pilot Project

10.1.7 21-0027 -New Pilot Project Regulation under the Highway Traffic Act to Permit Cargo Power-Assisted Bicycles (also known as Cargo E-bikes) on Ontario's Roads

10.1.8 21-0029-Storage of Used Personal Protective Equipment

10.1.9 21-0030-New COVID Border Testing Orders under the Quarantine Act

EPSB-04-20

Moved by Richard Tapping

Seconded by Karen Webber

That the Reports listed in Agenda Item 10.1 be received.

Carried

11. New Business

11.1 Precision Motorcycle Team: Golden Helmets

Chair Councillor Verbeek advised the members that the Precision Motorcycle Team: Golden Helmets is an O.P.P. group made up of officers from all over Ontario who ride their motorcycles and specialize in precision motorcycle riding. She advised that she would like to bring the team to the Town of Essex for an event.

Councillor Bowman stated that he has seen the Golden Helmets and states they would be great added item to one of the Towns current events it would be great! He stated that the target date should be 2022.

Chair Councillor Verbeek asked Sergeant Lavigne if the Golden Helmets require to be partnered with another event.

Sergeant Todd Lavigne stated that it can be standalone event or paired with another event.

Doug Sweet, Deputy CAO stated that administration can start the application process and advised that it can be standalone event as it is another opportunity to bring the community together in a safe and positive way.

EPSB-04-21

Moved by Councillor Morley Bowman

Seconded by Karen Webber

That administration submit an application to the Precision Motorcycle Team: Golden Helmets to host a COVID safe event summer 2021 / 2022.

Carried

12. Announcements / Notices of Motion

13. Adjournment

EPSB-04-22

Moved by Karen Robertson

Seconded by Katie McGuire-Blais

That the meeting be adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

14. Future Meetings

14.1 May 6, 2021, at 4:30 PM, Location: Electronic Meeting

Chair

Recording Secretary