



M I N U T E S
WEST GREY POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017

The regular meeting of the West Grey Police Services Board was held on Monday, October 16, 2017 at the West Grey Municipal Office at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Bev Cutting, Cam McCracken, Betty Moric, Kevin Eccles, Police Chief, Rob Martin and Secretary, Heather Webb.

Absent: Peter Irwin

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None declared at this time.

Resolution #033-2017

Moved by B.Moric

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board deviate from the Agenda if required.

Carried.

Delegation

Mayor Bob Pringle attended to answer any questions the Board may have from the letter the Township of Chatsworth sent requesting a costing for policing of the Township.

Chair Eccles stated that putting together a costing can be an onerous task and the Board would like to be certain the Township is serious about this request before beginning the process.

Mayor Pringle advised that his Council is very serious and is interested to see how West Grey would address the needs of the Community and the cost for doing same. It was mentioned that there are two schools within the municipality that currently receive programming from the O.P.P.

B. Cutting inquired whether Chatsworth would pay for the cost to prepare such a report. Mr. Pringle responded that although that is not an unreasonable request he feels Council would not be aware if that had happened in the past. He felt they would be satisfied with a cost comparison for the minimum staffing they are receiving now, (4.7 full time officers).

The Chief has already scheduled a meeting with the CAO of Chatsworth for tomorrow at 1 p.m.

Mr. Pringle left the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

B. Cutting suggested Chief get copy of current contract and also stated it might be in the best interests of the West Grey Police Service to have Township of Chatsworth sign an agreement with "poison pill" clause before a costing is done.

Minutes

Resolution #034-2017

Moved by B. Cutting

Seconded by B. Moric

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board minutes of July 11 and September 25, 2017, be approved as presented. Carried.

Business Arising

Newest part time hire, Cst. Marino Romitto, has started with Chief receiving good feedback from other officers. Cst. Sanderson will start November 1st, 2017.

Monthly Stats

Monthly Stats for July, August, September 2017 were reviewed with all questions answered to the satisfaction of the Board members.

Resolution #035-2017

Moved by C. McCracken

Seconded by B. Cutting

THAT the monthly stats for July, August, September 2017 be received. Carried.

Chiefs Report

- Draft copies of the 2016 Annual Report were distributed for member review and comment. Chair to provide message.
- copies of the results of the external survey were provided to members.
- internal scan being conducted within the Service in preparation for next years Business Plan
- a complaint was made to the OIPRD that the West Grey Police Service was overzealous and needs to drop their level of enforcement. The OIPRD found the complaint to be frivolous and will not be investigating.
- several officers are undergoing training in specialized areas with all Sgts. taking the two day forensic course.
- new vehicle is to arrive this week. -Police Service receptionist, Rhonda Lantz, will be away at Freedom of Information training next week.
- cost for new body armour just over \$5000 by piggy backing on bulk purchase with O.P.P., carriers included.
- Cst. Brown, MacMillan and Trainor will be the Community Liason Officers and will be delivering the new K.I.D.S. program at the local schools. Each officer will be dedicated to a particular school. Grade six is the target group for this program.

Resolution #036-2017

Moved by B. Cutting

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT West Grey Police Services Board receive The Chief's Report.

Carried.

Accounts

Resolution #037-2017

Moved by B. Moric

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT West Grey Police Service accounts in the amount of \$105,809.52 be approved for payment.

Carried.

Correspondence

-Township of Chatsworth request for costing

-Peter Irwin resignation

-Invite for Chief Dan Rivett retirement

Board members scheduled special meeting for Thursday, October 19th at 4:30 p.m. to hear results of Chief Martin's meeting with Township of Chatsworth, CAO, Patty Sinnamon, held on Tuesday, October 17 at 1 p.m.

Resolution #038-2017

Moved by B. Cutting

Seconded by B. Moric

THAT letter of resignation received from West Grey Police Services Board, provincial appointee, Peter Irwin, be received with regret.

Carried.

Secretary to forward this information on to Public Appointments Secretariat. Members were encouraged to bring names of possible candidates to fill this position to next meeting.

Resolution #039-2017

Moved by B. Moric

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT Bev Cutting be appointed Vice Chair of the West Grey Police Services Board for the balance of the year.

Carried.

Ideas were then discussed for retirement gift for Chief Rivett. Members to research and bring more info to meeting on October 19, 2017.

New Business

The floor was then turned over to Chief Martin for presentation of the 2018 budget. Director of Finance, Kerri Mighton, joined the meeting at this time to participate in the discussion. The overall budget increase for 2018 will be 2.08% which equates to \$60,022.00. Reserves of \$30,000. are budgeted to be used for capital (vehicle purchase). During preparation of the 2018 budget it was suggested that the capital levy contribution be increased in future years to reduce the reliance on reserves for capital, e.g. decrease transfer from reserves by \$15,000. and increase transfer to capital from the levy by \$15,000 for the next two years.

Resolution #40-2017

Moved by B. Moric

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board accepts the 2018 draft budget as presented and recommend it be forwarded to Council for approval.

Carried.

Resolution #41-2017

Moved by B. Cutting

Seconded by B. Moric

THAT any surplus identified during yearend audit be placed in police reserve.

Carried.

Chair Eccles informed the members that he had been contacted by retired Chief Berger regarding the denial of payment to him for having to attend court regarding Michael Schmidt trial.

This request was denied by staff as resolution passed by Board was to acknowledge any call backs by the Board to have Chief Berger attend legal proceedings, etc. In this particular instance Chief Berger was subpoenaed by Mr. Schmidt's defence counsel.

Resolution #42-2017

Moved by B. Cutting

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT retired Chief Rene Berger be paid as per submitted invoice for attendance at Michael Schmidt trial and that a letter accompany payment indicating this is a one time only payment. Copy of resolution also to be included to clarify situation when payment is to be made avoiding any future misinterpretation.

Carried.

Update on Hanover and West Grey Police talks was given by Bev Cutting.

Resolution #43-2017

Moved by B. Moric

Seconded by B. Cutting

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board rise and move into closed session at 5:10 p.m. in accordance with Section 35.4(b) of the Police Services Act.

Carried.

Resolution #44-2017

Moved by B. Cutting

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board rise and return to open session at 5:35 p.m.

Carried.

Resolution #45-2017

Moved by B. Cutting

Seconded by B. Moric

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board reclassify Cst Cory Trainor from fourth to third class effective November 1, 2017.

Carried

Resolution #46-2017

Moved by B. Moric

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT David Van Allen be hired as part time constable based on recommendation of Chief Martin.

Carried.

Resolution #47-2017

Moved by B. Cutting

Seconded by C. McCracken

THAT the invoicing from Johnstone and Cowling LLP in the amount of \$56,000. be approved for payment.

Carried.

Chief Martin presented a request to the Chair to review his annual remuneration as per Section 31(d) of the Police Services Act.

It was agreed that the Chair and Vice Chair would schedule a time to meet with the Chief for discussions on this matter.

All business being concluded the meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m. on motion by B. Cutting.

Board, Chair Kevin Eccles

Secretary, Heather Webb