

Minutes - Leamington Police Services Board Meeting

**Held Wednesday, May 22, 2013
Commencing at 8:30 a.m.**

in the West End Meeting Room # 112

Members Present: John Paterson, Chair
John Jacobs, Vice Chair
Joan McSweeney
Judy Butler

Members Absent: Lorraine Hodgson

Also Present: Staff Sergeant Tim Nyhoff
Staff Sergeant Mike Beatty
Sergeant Darin Rickeard
Brian Sweet, Secretary
Jennifer Bavetta, Recording Secretary

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest: None.

Delegations:

Neighbours Helping Neighbours, Youth and Family Resource Network - Safety and Security Committee for the Mill Street Area (funded by United Way)

Kelly Baillargeon (Co-ordinator) introduced Rae-Anne Scratch, a member of the Residents' Committee. Ms. Baillargeon explained the group, which is affiliated with the Youth and Family Resource Network, represents nine hundred households in Leamington.

Rae-Anne Scratch informed those in attendance she moved into the urban area of Leamington three years ago and met with neighbours to discuss her concerns with the area. She further explained a number of activities have been held, including surveys and barbecues in the park, in order to increase engagement among the neighbours.

Ms. Scratch noted concerns of herself and her neighbours include safety concerns, properties not being adequately maintained and drug use and sales in the area. Ms. Scratch explained a "walk through" of the area to identify possible dangers is planned. She further noted there is pride in the area and the hope to see it grow and be successful.

Ms. Baillargeon provided an overview of the purpose of the committee, noting the importance of educating residents on when they should be calling the police. She further noted there is a tendency for crime levels to decrease when there is a presence of a neighbourhood watch program.

Staff Sergeant Beatty stated both the OPP and the Safety and Security Committee are working toward a similar goal.

The Chair and Board Members thanked Ms. Baillargeon and Ms. Scratch for attending the meeting and encouraged them to continue their great efforts.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

In regard to the minutes of the April 24, 2013 Leamington Police Services Board meeting, Brian Sweet provided an update regarding Sam's Towing. Mr. Sweet explained an issue arose whether or not Sam's Towing was operating legally in Leamington.

It was noted the eligibility of Sam's Towing to operate in Leamington and to be included on the list would be investigated by the municipality and municipal administration would inform the OPP of the results.

No. 18-05-13

Moved by: Joan McSweeney

Seconded by: John Jacobs

That the Minutes of the Leamington Police Services Board Meeting held April 24, 2013 be approved.

"CARRIED"

Staff Sergeant Nyhoff reviewed the Commander's Report for the month of April, 2013, noting violent crimes, domestics and property crimes have all decreased. He further noted foot patrol hours have increased and contract hours have remained above the median. With respect to overtime hours, Staff Sergeant Nyhoff noted they decreased slightly in April.

No. 19-05-13

Moved by: Judy Butler

Seconded by: Joan McSweeney

That the Detachment Commander's Report for the month of April, 2013 be received.

"CARRIED"

No. 20-05-13

Moved by: Judy Butler

Seconded by: John Jacobs

That the Windsor & Essex County Crime Stoppers Statistical Report for the month of April, 2013 and the Community Events to Date report be received.

"CARRIED"

Correspondence from the OPP dated May 7, 2013 re: Financial Impact of the 2010 Public Sector Compensation Framework Agreement

Staff Sergeant Nyhoff noted every municipality policed by the OPP can expect the same rate of increase. John Paterson confirmed the Municipality budgeted accordingly.

No. 21-05-13

Moved by: Judy Butler

Seconded by: Joan McSweeney

That the Board receive correspondence from the OPP dated May 7, 2013 re: Financial Impact of the 2010 Public Sector Compensation Framework Agreement.

"CARRIED"

Questions and Statement Session:

Staff Sergeant Nyhoff provided copies of the 2013 Essex Detachment Business Plan, noting it represents the final year of the three year plan.

Closed Portion of the Meeting:

No. 22-05-13

Moved by: John Jacobs

Seconded by: Judy Butler

That the Board move into closed session pursuant to Section 35 (4) (b) of the Police Services Act to discuss a personnel matter.

"CARRIED"

The Board received an update on a personnel matter. The Board did not give direction to staff or pass any resolutions.

No. 23-05-13

Moved by: John Jacobs

Seconded by: Joan McSweeney

That the Board move into public session.

“CARRIED “

Adjournment:

No. 24-05-13

Moved by: Judy Butler

Seconded by: Joan McSweeney

That the meeting be adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

“CARRIED”

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.