

TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

The Township of Melancthon Police Services Board held a meeting on Wednesday, December 17, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. at the Township of Melancthon Municipal Office Committee Room. Those present: Chair John Crowe, Public Member David Cowen, Provincial Member Garry Matthews, Detachment Commander Steve Sills and Sgt. Greg Brodhagen, Dufferin OPP and Denise Holmes, Secretary. Chair Crowe presided.

Call to Order

Chair Crowe called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Chair Crowe advised those in attendance that they could declare their pecuniary interest now or at any time during the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

Additions - Minimum Maintenance Standards for Winter (Road Department) and Policies and Procedures, Business Plan

The agenda was then approved with a show of hands.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Cowen, Seconded by Matthews that the minutes of the meeting held on October 1, 2008 be approved as circulated. Carried.

Issues Arising from Minutes

River Road in Horning's Mills - pretty quiet – no further complaints.

Bill 87 - copy of the Act given to the members including Staff Sgt. Sills.

Speeding on Main Street in Horning's Mills - the speeding has subsided.

HAWKE Program - The Secretary to inquire if the damaged/stolen signs have been replaced with new ones.

Presentations/Delegations

None.

Correspondence

1. Draft Minutes of the Mulmur Police Services Board meeting held on September 10, 2008

Financial

The estimated 2009 Policing Costs are \$320,339.00.

Detachment Commander's Report

Sergeant Brodhagen reviewed his report for September, October and November 2008 and explained the statistics and clearance rates and highlights of activities during these periods.

It was noted that an amendment to the Community Safety Zones By-law was made on November 20, 2008 to include the 3rd Line OS from Highway 10 to 20 Side Road. The signs were installed the following week.

Committee Reports

No Committee Reports

Other Business

Bill 87 - The Secretary was asked to keep a watch on this Act to see if it receives any further readings.

Towing By-law - Council needs to deal with this issue in 2009 and decide whether it is going to be passed or not. 1st and 2nd readings already given.

Additional Enforcement - Chair Crowe advised that he put a proposal forth this year to Council for additional enforcement but some members of Council wanted it presented in a Business Plan format. Nothing further has been done but a question was raised about whether the Board has the capacity to ask the OPP to perform some extra hours. The Secretary to inquire about this.

Misc. - Discussion regarding a Business Plan and Policies and Procedures for the Police Services Board. The Secretary advised that Policies and Procedures was adopted on September 13, 2007. The following resolution was passed: Moved by Matthews, Seconded By Cowen that we adopt the 2008 Dufferin Detachment OPP Business Plan. Carried.

In 2009, the Board to get all the requirements of the Police Services Act completed.

False Alarm Calls - Discussion about false alarm calls as there have been a few instances where dispatch has cancelled the OPP before it reaches the property.

Complaint of Jake Brakes on County Road 17 - not much can be done as this is not a chargeable offence. All we can do, is ask for voluntary compliance.

Minimum Maintenance Standards - It was noted that last year there were some problems with the OPP calling the Road Superintendent very early in the morning looking for a phone number of another Superintendent in a different Township as well as them calling and advising that a County Road needed to be plowed and sanded. The Secretary to send a copy of the Minimum Maintenance By-law to Sgt. Brodhagen.

Public Discussion

No public in attendance.

Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting

Chair Crowe thanked the Board and the OPP for everything they have done in 2008.

5:25 p.m. - Moved by Cowen, Seconded by Matthews that we adjourn this PSB meeting to meet again on Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY