

Pembroke Police Services Board Meeting

City Hall, Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
October 20, 2022
4:00 p.m.

Present:

Ron Gervais, Chair
Pauline Edmonds
Malcolm Montgomery
Christine Reavie
Michael St. Jean

Also Present:

Staff Sergeant MaryAnn MacNeil, OPP
Brian Lewis, Director of Operations
Nancy Rapin, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared.

3. Approval of Agenda

The Chair amended the agenda to include Item 8b) Zone II Meeting and moved the Camera Delegation to Item 8c).

Motion:

Moved by Christine Reavie

Seconded by Malcolm Montgomery

That the agenda of the Pembroke Police Services Board meeting of October 20, 2022, be approved as amended.

Carried

4. Minutes

- Receive minutes of July 28, 2022

Motion:

Moved by Pauline Edmonds

Seconded by Malcolm Montgomery

That the minutes of the Pembroke Police Services Board meeting of July 28, 2022, be received as circulated.

Carried

5. Presentation

- Mary Street Speed Reduction Delegation
 - Ms. Katie Flabbi representing residents from the Mary Street/James Street neighbourhood was present electronically to provide the neighbourhood's

concerns with speeding and offered some possible solutions to the problem.

Highlights were:

- There is a young population that uses Rotary Park and a safety concern that goes along with that because of speeding
- Rotary Park hosts many activities which increases users
- Would the City consider making the area a Community Safety Zone?
- Perhaps a combination of a speed limit reduction, photo radar enforcement and the additions of speed bumps may be effective
- If a petition would assist, one can be provided

The Chair thanked Ms. Flabbi for the presentation and noted that collaboration with PSB, OPP and the Operations Department will occur and an informed plan on how to move forward will be formulated.

6. OPP Reports

a. OPP Detachment Commander's Update

- Quarterly Report (July - September 2022)

Staff Sergeant MacNeil reviewed the Pembroke Police Service Board Q3 Report for July to September 2022. Highlights included:

- Year to Date Weighted Hours are slightly down
- Assaults – Level 1 are down
- A significant increase in Disturbing the Peace calls
- A significant increase in Breach of Probation
- Suspicious Persons have increased
- Found property increased

She also noted that there was a focused patrol at the Pembroke Public Library for a two-week period beginning near the end of September because of concerns of vagrancy. She was happy to report of the success of a funding application for a second MCRR Team for the detachment.

7. Old Business

a. Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Update

The Chair informed members that at the September 20th meeting, City Council approved in principle the plan and that the full and final plan will be received by the new Council in December.

8. New Business

a. Thompson Street/Eganville Road Intersection

The Chair informed members that a complaint was received by Justin Jefferies regarding a vehicle passing a school bus while dropping students off at this intersection and that this is a problem in which the safety of students is a concern. The Chair indicated that information will have to be gathered from the OPP and the Operations Department to make an informed plan moving forward.

b. Zone II Meeting

Michael informed members that as he attended the Zone II meeting, he was approached and asked if Pembroke Police Services Board would consider hosting the 2024 Zone II meeting in Pembroke. All felt that this was a great opportunity.

Motion:

Moved by Pauline Edmonds

Seconded by Christine Reavie

That Michael will speak with Terry Lapierre regarding Pembroke hosting the 2024 Zone II meeting to assist with a plan to move forward with the event.

Carried

c. **Cameras**

Mr. Lewis presented the report regarding installing security cameras at strategic locations within the City. He demonstrated captured pictures and videos to members of the Board.

A discussion was held. Some highlights were:

- This project originally started with a request for security cameras to be present at certain intersections within the City
- The City of Ottawa has 150 sites with 1000 cameras set up throughout the City
- Bearcom and Avigilon are the companies engaged
- This is who McNab/Braeside uses
- County of Renfrew is looking to utilize this company as well
- Cameras were set up at the Arboretum as “Phase 1” of this project
- Cameras were also set up at a number of intersections within the City of Pembroke
- The system is cellular based, not hardwired so information is readily accessible
- Phase 1 (Waterfront-Arboretum) will cost approximately \$26,000 for one camera; the addition of two more cameras will cost an additional \$2,500
- One intersection set up with two multi-sensor cameras and two license plate readers will cost approximately \$30,000
- If approved by the Board, this will have to go to Council as by-laws may need to be amended to accommodate the legality
- The life expectancy of the cameras would be over five years
- The cameras would be powered by the existing power supply where they are installed

Motion:

Moved by Christine Reavie

Seconded by Michael St. Jean

Staff is to reallocate funds within the Police Services Board Budget to finance Phase 1 of the project, as presented.

Carried

9. Correspondence

a. **East Ferris - Resolution**

The Chair referred the Board to the attached letter from the Municipality of East Ferris including a resolution regarding the safety of children getting on and off the bus. The Chair asked if the Board supported City Council passing a similar resolution to which all said yes. The Chair indicated that he will speak to Ms. Martin regarding this matter.

b. **Ministry of the Solicitor General: Update – Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 and OPP Detachment Boards**

The Chair referred the Board to the recent email received and indicated that he will bring any updates received to the Board.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2023, beginning at 4:00 p.m.

11. Motion to Adjourn

Motion:

Moved by Pauline Edmonds

Seconded by Malcolm Montgomery

That the October 20, 2022, Pembroke Police Services Board meeting adjourn at 6:17 p.m.

Carried

Chair

Recording Secretary