

**TOWNSHIP OF AUGUSTA  
POLICE SERVICES BOARD  
MINUTES  
July 4, 2019**

**PRESENT IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chair, Glen Mackey, David Kent, Mayor Doug Malanka, CAO/Treasurer Ray Morrison, OPP Inspector June Dobson and Officer Rene Cadieux.

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 9:55 AM

**2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**

Mr. Mackey updated the Board on events since the last meeting. Last Thursday presented two bursaries at SGDHS Graduation, Kazia Vanderwal and Natalie Dumouchel.

April 2019 Zone 2 in Carleton Place meeting – Lanark County hired a community mental health nurse and are looking at hiring a second one funded by Proceeds of Crime grant and Champlain LHIN. Inspector Dobson noted Grenville is watching this and other pilot programs and will review this with Sue Runciman. She is concerned with ongoing sustainability of the program as OPP has been cut back \$48M in funding.

Lanark County Community Health and Well Being study. Possibly funding will come through that process and be downloaded to the County level.

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Doug Malanka, seconded by David Kent that the agenda for July 4, 2019 be approved, amended to include Mayor Malanka report on meeting with North Augusta residents.

CARRIED

**4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Minutes of March 19, 2019 were distributed in advance.

Moved by Doug Malanka, seconded by David Kent that the minutes of March 19, 2019 be approved.

Carried

**5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nothing to note.

**6. DELEGATIONS**

Onne van Hoek – Wheels-A-Churnin

Inspector Dobson gave an OPP update. Rene Cadieux switched shifts to provide oversight. There was impaired driving, young females drinking and requiring assistance. The OPP did not stop

anyone going into the park but did have two incidents coming out. She wishes park security would be more aggressive before letting the guest out of the park, even if it is to borrow the breathalyser unit to test someone and advise them, they are not safe to leave.

Was anyone charged related to a porta-potty damage and fire incident. OPP was not invited in. WAC called them in after the fact. OPP was advised the unit was run over, then set afire, but no one was in it.

GM – How many calls for service – 5 in total times 4 officers for safety sake. This is a cost to the Township. If not going to apply your own rules, your Security is inadequate.

OPP had a severely intoxicated female attendee arrested and, in the car, when one of the onsite Security walked by and banged on the window reagravating the situation. Could have been charged with mischief himself.

#### **7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

Inspector Dobson noted OVH Towing has been getting some really good tow calls from the OPP recently.

#### **8. NEW BUSINESS**

##### **OPP Monthly Activity Summary**

February, March, April and May 2019 Year-to-Date OPP statistics were circulated. Inspector Dobson reviewed YTD results for the YTD May 2019 as they are cumulative reports, touching on specific items in the earlier month's reports. She reviewed highlights, Calls of Interest and detachment initiatives. Copies of the reports are included with the minutes.

Two recent sexual assaults investigated and substantiated resulting in charges being laid in March.

Other crimes against a person – Include harassment, cyber bullying, online threats. Insufficient evidence to warrant charges.

Recent fraud events were investigated, and complainants advised they needed to proceed through civil court process. Trafficking charges are mainly on 400 series highways.

DM asked about noise complaints for big motorcycles and how to respond both at the time and more systematically. R. Cadieux noted these systems are purchased separately and it is officer's discretion to charge based on OPP sound guidelines. Like calling to report boats exceeding speed on the St. Lawrence, the OPP recommends these be called in at the time, with location and time.

DM updated the Board on discussions with residents regarding Jeg brakes and noted the majority are not noticing these but did note the bigger sound issue is with illegal mufflers.

Moved by David Kent, seconded by Doug Malanka that the OPP Statistical Reports be accepted for information. CARRIED.

### **Traffic Control updates – North Augusta 4 Way Stop**

Mayor Malanka and Councillor Henry were toured through North Augusta by a resident on a tractor to demonstrate a serious potential risk trying to turn the corner from CR6 onto CR15. There is no margin for error if someone is speeding coming south. Resident would like Council, the County and OPP to support putting in a 3 way stop at that intersection. Inspector Dobson has requested a historical summary of incidents and close calls at that intersection for both the Township and UCLG. The OPP does not have statistics on near misses. She anticipates it being very low for accidents.

### **Zone 2 Meeting – September 19 and 20<sup>th</sup> in Picton:**

Both Mr. Kent and Chair Mackey will attend, driving up each day.

### **OPP Municipal Policing Bureau letter re AMO Conference**

GM asked if there was any further discussion regarding combining local PSB's. Augusta PSB would support a South Grenville board and a North Grenville board, vs one overall Grenville board. Inspector Dobson believes this will be directed by the Province. Asked Mayor Malanka and I to speak to Marc Bedard to see if we can comment/influence this decision.

Community Safety and Well-being plans:

DM reiterated that County staff were suggesting the Health Unit who has been instrumental in the developing these plans for Lanark, Brockville and Gananoque take the lead on preparing these on behalf of the Municipalities/PSBs. Mr. Mackey referred to the Situation board.

Augusta is one of the few PSBs in the County. Would we contribute to the project? GM noted it is more the responsibility of the Township. Mr. Kent expressed interest that he represents Augusta and the Augusta PSB.

### **Traffic Monitoring/Radar Update:**

OPP set up a Speed Spy on CR26 in Maynard, have identified the primary times when speeding is occurring and will dispatch resources to ticket during peak times. She will submit

Mr. Morrison noted the implementation of the new Evolution II signs from Traffic Logix has been problematic due to other public works priorities and staff turnover. The plan remains to install them on priority roads throughout the Township on priority roads first, i.e. County Road 2 in Maitland and at Bradley's Creek near RVH, County Road 15 in North Augusta, Blue Church road, Bissetown Road and Charleville road near Maynard. After these priority areas have been documented the units will be moved regularly around the Township to build a database of traffic volumes and speeds that can be used for both policing, speed enforcement and roads needs considerations.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Ray Morrison circulated the Financial Report for Year-to-Date 2019 and fielded questions related to specific items.

Moved by David Kent, seconded by Doug Malanka that the Treasurer's report be received.  
Carried.

**Other Business:**

GM noted that at one point the Township Bylaw officer could not get names of offenders. Inspector Dobson confirmed that the OPP can NOT release private information. Submit it as a call for service. The OPP will charge with littering.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by Doug Malanka and seconded by David Kent that the meeting be adjourned at 11:10 a.m. Next meeting tentatively scheduled for September 26, 2019, subject to member and OPP schedules.

Carried

**9. NEXT MEETING: September 26, 2019, 10-12:00.**

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Chair

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Ray Morrison, Secretary/Treasurer