



MINUTES
WEST GREY POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023

A meeting of the West Grey Police Services Board was held Monday, April 10, 2023 in the Council Chambers at the West Grey Municipal Office.

Present: Chair Kevin Eccles, Vice Chair Dave Fawcett, member Joyce Nuhn, secretary Heather Webb and Chief Martin.

Attending virtually: Member Helen-Claire Tingling.

Meeting was called to order by Chair Eccles at 9:00 a.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary interest

None declared at this time.

Minutes

Resolution: 014-2023
Moved: Vice Chair Fawcett
Seconded: Member Nuhn

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 13, 2023, as amended and Special Meeting minutes of February 17 and February 21, 2023 as circulated.
Carried.

Business arising from the Minutes

None

Monthly Stats

911 hang ups continue to be a problem, family disputes are down, mental health calls are down from last month but well being checks are up and in related news a recently announced enhanced Mental Health Support grant will be available to Police Services at the end of April.

Provincial Offences Act charges numbered 104, 13 Bylaw and 20 criminal charges were laid with 16 arrests and 283 calls for service. Officers logged 100 hours of foot patrol. There were 53 Administrative calls for service and 9 firearms were seized.

March statistics show three impaired's for the month, mental health calls similar to last month at 12. Chief noted that of the 29 arrests made in March, 13 were rearrested and

the Service will continue tracking these numbers. 100 POA charges were issued and 12 bylaw charges laid. Administrative calls for service numbered 75.

Resolution 015-2023
Moved: Vice Chair Fawcett
Seconded: Member Nuhn

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board receive the monthly stats for February and March 2023.

Carried.

Chief's Report

- no secondary employment requests received in the last two months
- no new OIPRD complaints
- training courses completed include Investigative Interviewing, Trauma informed investigative techniques, and drafting and reviewing Search Warrant training provided by Osgoode Hall
- Inspector White attended PAO Conference in February
- five members involved in high risk search warrant execution training
- Equity, Diversity and Inclusion plan completed
- Automated Licence Plate Reader procedure written
- DNA canvas procedures rewritten based on OIPRD review recommendations
- Vehicle donation to Community Safety Village completed and is now on display
- Elder Abuse presentation presented at Hillside Manor
- school programs up and running again
- 2023 West Grey Polar Plunge raised approximately \$6000 for Special Olympics
- 71 roadside screening events conducted during course of 2022/23 Ride Grant
- notice has been received regarding Ministry inspections for 2023 and 2024
- current Uniform Working Agreement expires December 31, 2023
- notice received from Ontario Police Technology Information Co-Operative (OPTIC) security audit that in order to continue using program the Service's email must be upgraded. This is an unbudgeted amount however it has been discovered that costs associated with the Next Gen dispatch system should have been billed to the Municipality rather than the Service. To resolve this issue the Chief requests that \$15,757.20 budgeted as dispatch be transferred to I.T. area of budget.

For the Board's information the Chief then highlighted some significant calls the Service has dealt with over the past two months.

Questions related to Licence plate readers were answered by the Chief. Only two units purchased as grant funding was limited to just over \$71,000. These units are not transferable among fleet as they are fixed units mounted in vehicle.

Resolution: 016 -2023
Moved: Member Tingling
Seconded: Member Nuhn

**THAT the Chief's Report for March 2023 be received.
Carried.**

Accounts

Resolution: 017-2023
Moved: Vice Chair Fawcett
Seconded: Member Tingling

**That the West Grey Police Services Board approve the transfer of \$15,757.20 from Dispatch to I.T. within the 2023 Police budget.
Carried.**

Resolution: 018-2023
Moved: Member Nuhn
Seconded: Vice Chair Fawcett

**THAT the West Grey Police Services Board approve payment of the February 2023 accounts in the amount of \$20, 943.46 and March 2023 accounts in the amount of \$46,407.91.
Carried**

Correspondence

Letter received from Crime Stoppers of Grey-Bruce requesting annual commitment of \$2500 for next two years as well as invitation to participate in their 31st annual fundraising golf tournament.

It was asked that Crimestopper's be contacted to arrange for a presentation at the Board meeting in May.

Resolution: 019-2023
Moved: Vice Chair Fawcett
Seconded: Member Nuhn

**THAT the West Grey Police Services Board register a foursome for June 1, 2023 Crimestopper's Fundraising Golf Tournament.
Carried.**

Correspondence was received from OAPSB Zone 5 regarding a motion from Waterloo Regional Police Services Board on bail reform that requested the support of Zone 5 Boards.

Letters of support were to be sent to Federal and Provincial governments, their local MP and MPP

Resolution: 020-2023
Moved: Vice Chair Fawcett
Seconded: Member Tingling

**THAT the West Grey Police Services Board support the motion prepared by Waterloo Regional Police Services Board on Bail Reform and direct staff to send letter of support to Federal and Provincial governments, local MP and MPP and OAPSB. Local municipal council to be asked to support motion as well.
Carried.**

Resolution: 021-2023
Moved: Member Tingling
Seconded: Member Nuhn

**THAT staff be directed to prepare an individual Board letter on bail reform and circulate to Federal and Provincial governments, local MP and MPP after approval received from Board members on content of draft letter.
Carried.**

Discussion then moved to notice received on the 2023 OAPSB Spring Conference being held in Niagara Falls, ON, May 30-June 1.

Member Nuhn agreed to attend the conference on behalf of the Board. Staff directed to make necessary arrangements for lodging and conference registration.

Resolution: 022-2023
Moved: Member Tingling
Seconded: Member Nuhn

**THAT staff be directed to diarize OAPSB Conferences to ensure discounted early bird registrations are accessed.
Carried.**

Resolution: 023-2023
Moved: Member Nuhn
Seconded: Member Tingling

**THAT the West Grey Police Services Board rise and move into closed Session at 10:09 a.m. in accordance with Section 35.4(b) of the Police Services Act to discuss legal and personnel issues.
Carried.**

Report From Closed Session

Chair Eccles reported that only those items permitted were discussed in closed session

New Business

Resolution: 024-2023
Moved: Member Nuhn
Seconded: Vice Chair Fawcett

Chief Martin to provide letter to Board outlining any requested modifications to his current contract by end of April 2023 in preparation for May board meeting. Carried.

Next regular meeting to be held Monday, May 8, 2023.

All business concluded the meeting was adjourned by Chair Eccles at 10:44 a.m.

Kevin Eccles, Chair

Heather Webb, Secretary