



**MINUTES
WEST GREY POLICE SERVICES BOARD
MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021**

The regular meeting of the West Grey Police Services Board was held virtually via ZOOM on Monday, June 28, 2021.

Present: Chair Doug Townsend, Mayor Christine Robinson, Betty Moric, Helen-Claire Tingling, Heather Webb, Secretary, Chief Rob Martin.

Absent: Vice Chair, Geoffrey Shea

Meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Doug Townsend at 9:02 a.m.

Inspector Jeremy White was in attendance and following his introduction was welcomed by the members of the Board.

Pecuniary Interest

None declared at this time.

Minutes

The minutes of May 31, 2021 were presented.

C. Robinson asked that all forms related to the Chiefs prior evaluations be provided to the Committee conducting his current evaluation, of which the date is yet to be confirmed.

Resolution #050-2021

Moved by H. Tingling

Seconded by C. Robinson

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board approve the minutes of May 31, 2021 as presented.

Carried.

Business Arising

The protocol for Sharing of Information Between the West Grey Police Services Board and Municipal Council was brought forward again now that all Police Services Act sections cited were confirmed as correct.

Resolution #051-2021

Moved by B. Moric

Seconded by H. Tingling

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board approves the amendment of the Protocol for Sharing of Information Between the West Grey Police Services Board and Municipal Council.

Carried.

Chair Townsend informed the members that he had been in touch with an HR Specialist regarding the development of a policy to send correspondence to Police Service members returning from medical leave. He was advised not to proceed with such a policy.

Monthly Stats

May 2021 stats were provided to the Board and of note:

- motor vehicle collisions remain low.
- alarms are on increase and this is related to seasonal residents returning to cottages. -
- bail violations are on increase. Offenders being released under Bill C-75 are continuing to offend.
- drug charge down as legislatively only to charge for trafficking not simple possession
- fire calls up as Service assists with scene and traffic control
- Landlord and Tenant disputes have risen to 27 to date.
- MHART continues to be busy with 15 calls in May
- stolen vehicles down
- suspicious persons calls up with 12 logged in May
- the Calls for Service and Foot Patrol categories have been added at the end of the Monthly Stat Report

Discussion arose on the revolving door created with the Amendments to the Criminal Code under Bill C-75. Bail conditions are to be reasonable with release at earliest opportunity favoured if no risk to public safety. Implementation of these amendments was to modernize the courts and make them more efficient.

Chief stated that offenders are well aware of the changes and that the Service is seeing an increase in crimes and that they are becoming more violent.

H. Tingling asked that staff prepare a letter to be sent to other Police Boards and our member of provincial parliament asking for their support in lobbying for change with respect to bail release.

Resolution #052-2021

Moved by H. Tingling

Seconded by C. Robinson

THAT a letter be sent to other Police Services and our MPP asking for their support in lobbying the government for change with respect to bail release.
Carried.

Resolution #053-2021

Moved by H. Tingling

Seconded B. Moric

THAT the monthly stats for May 2021 be received.
Carried.

Chief's Report

- no secondary employment reported
- no OIPRD complaints
- Covid-19 has limited community service participation however the Service did support the 2021 Sprucetown graduating class with award for Community Awareness.
- a protest has been scheduled for July 10, 2021 at the intersection of highways 4 & 6 . Police will monitor and report back at next meeting.
- four sick days have been logged for month
- Digital Evidence Management System is in process of becoming operational
- training two officers on Intoxilyser, one for each shift
- another officer has now completed the Crisis Negotiation training bringing number to 3
- annual Use of Force Training completed by all staff
- one member enrolled in Search Warrant Training
- 2020 Annual Report has been posted on website
- Road Safety Week was May 18-24. Over long weekend 1109 vehicles went through RIDE program
- recent traffic stop resulted in charges for possession of crystal meth
- police fleet now operational following maintenance of vehicles fueled with tainted gas
- reimbursement received from fuel supplier for charges incurred.

Resolution #054-2021

Moved by C. Robinson

Seconded by H. Tingling

THAT the Chief's Report be received.

Carried.

Accounts

Resolution # 055-2021

Moved by C. Robinson

Seconded by B. Moric

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board approve the accounts for payment in the amount of \$55,901.82.

Carried.

Correspondence

Communications from the Ministry of the Solicitor General

21-0062 Call for Applications-Officers' Survivors Scholarship Fund

21-0063 Extension of Orders under EMCPA

21-0064 Respiratory Protection Policy and Program

21-0065 Increasing Awareness about Youth Cannabis Diversion Program

21-0066 Victim Support Grant call for applications 2021-22 to 2022-23

21-0067 Entering Step One of the Roadmap to Reopen

21-0068 Class A Manual Transmission Restriction

21-0069 Update on Pilot Project-Cargo Power Assisted Bicycles

21-0070 Proposed Regulations under the Community Safety & Policing Act

21-0071 Requests for Occurrence Reports by Private Security & Investigative Services Branch

21-0072 Amendments to Exemption Rules under Police Record Checks Reform Act

21-0073 Provincial Strategies that align with Community Safety & Well-Being Planning

21-0074 Ontario Closed Circuit Television(CCTV) Grant Program 2021-2022

-Thank You from Sprucerridge Community School

Resolution #056-2021

Moved by C. Robinson

Seconded by H. Tingling

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board receive the correspondence and action as directed.

Carried.

Resolution #057-2021

Moved by H. Tingling

Seconded by C. Robinson

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board rise and move into closed session at 10:00 a.m. To discuss items that fall under Section 35.4(b) of the Police Services Act.

Carried.

Resolution #058-2021

Moved by C. Robinson

Seconded by B. Moric

THAT the West Grey Police Services Board return to open session at 10:30 a.m.

Carried.

Chair Townsend confirmed that only those items permitted were discussed in closed session.

New Business

The Committee was reminded of a Letter of Understanding that was signed during the Working Agreement negotiations of 2020.

A joint committee of members from the Board and the Association was to be formed to review the current benefit package within eighteen months of contract ratification which was October 14, 2020.

Resolution #059-2021

Moved by C. Robinson

Seconded by B. Moric

THAT Helen-Claire Tingling, Mayor Christine Robinson and Betty Moric be appointed to the West Grey Police Services Board/West Grey Police Association - Joint Benefit Review Committee.

Carried.

Letter to be sent to the Association advising them that Board would like to move forward with this item and requesting names of their members to sit on the Committee.

All business concluded the meeting adjourned on motion by B. Moric at 10:40 a.m.

