**LAMBTON GROUP POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**June 19, 2021**

**Session # 3/2021**

**Date:** Wednesday, June 19, 2021

**Time:** 3:00 p.m.

**Place:** Virtual Meeting

**Present: Murray Jackson, Chair**

**Leland Martin, Acting Chair**

**Steve Miller**

**Doug Cook**

**Shirley Durance**

**Dela Horley, Secretary**

**O.P.P. Representative: Inspector Chris Avery**

**Staff Sgt. Jennifer Wilson**

**Special Guest: Regional Command Chief Superintendent Dwight Thib**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Murray Jackson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Introductions were made by Chief Superintendent Dwight Thib and Staff Sgt. Jennifer Wilson.

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None declared.

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Moved by S. Miller, Seconded by L. Martin, THAT** the minutes of Session 2/2021, April 21, 2021 be adopted as submitted.

Carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

There was no business arising.

**DETACHMENT REPORT**

Staff Sgt. Jennifer Wilson reviewed the March and April 2021 policing report:

* 10 deaths due to overdose/suicide; Fentanyl overdoses continue to be a challenge throughout Lambton County
* Investigation into domestic homicide in December 2020 continues
* Lambton Detachment involved in a multi-jurisdictional homicide investigation
* Crime Unit involved in a human trafficking investigation in Point Edward
* 16 sexual assaults; charges laid in 3
* Street Crime Unit – 44 occurrences with 21 charges
* Community Safety - 51 Media Releases, seatbelt campaign

**Moved by S. Durance, seconded by S. Miller, THAT** the Detachment Commander’s Report be accepted.

Carried.

*Additional/statistical information available in OPP Monthly Report (forwarded electronically to municipal partners and posted to LGPSB website).*

**MEMBER’S REPORT**

L. Martin reported on the progress of the Community Safety and Wellness Plan – a meeting of the Oversight Committee was held; no information available at this time. A draft plan is intended to be prepared this month. Systemic racism, poverty, housing, mental health, addictions, and policing in relation to crime prevention.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* 1. 2020 Financial Statements and Reports from BDO *(sent electronically)*

**Moved by L. Martin, seconded by S. Miller, THAT** the 2020 Financial Statements as prepared by BDO be accepted.

Carried.

* 1. Lambton Group - 2021 Municipal Policing Billing Statement Property Count by Municipality *(sent electronically)*

**Moved by S. Durance, seconded by L. Martin, THAT** the Correspondence as listed be accepted.

Carried.

**ACCOUNTS**

**Accounts/Finance**

1. Contract Policing – *July 2021* $ 751,811.00
2. Contract Policing – *August 2021*  $ 751,811.00
3. Mine & Yours Cleaning *(Forest ESO – April 2021)* $ 2,542.50
4. Mine & Yours Cleaning *(Forest EO – May 2021)* $ 2,542.50
5. Mine & Yours Cleaning *(Corunna – April 2021)* $ 2,203.50
6. Mine & Yours Cleaning *(Corunna – May 2021)* $ 2,592.64
7. Eastlink *(Forest ESO Office – April 2021)* $ 257.72
8. Eastlink *(Forest ESO Office – March 2021)* $ 255.52
9. Township of St. Clair – (*Rent from July - Sept 2021)* $ 24,790.26
10. OAPSB Annual Membership $ 3,447.58
11. OAPSP 2021 Conference Registration – *L. Martin* $ 454.00
12. Creative Co. *(Annual Website Hosting)* $ 400.08

**Moved by S. Miller, seconded by L. Martin, THAT** the accounts as listed be approved for payment.

Carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**OTHER BUSINESS**

1. M. Jackson reported to the Board on the Annual Conference, which was held virtually this year. Sessions included:
2. Strategic Planning
3. The Solicitor General presented on the new OPP Detachment Boards. Lambton submitted a report to be reviewed September 2021 for implementation in 2022 (date not yet known). No new funding from the province; all funding is a municipal responsibility.
4. Changing Policing in Ontario
5. Board Training – required for all new boards; e-learning with competency testing included.
6. Workplace Wellness

All sessions should be on the OAPSB website (<https://oapsb.ca/>)

1. Inspector Avery updated the Board on the Corunna Policing Office. A meeting is scheduled later this week on a going forward plan; contingency plan in place. May go back to Mayoral Committee. Chief Inspector Thib advised that there is a briefing this Friday with the Ministry. A police board paying rent for policing space in unique to Lambton; it is hoped that the original parties involved can resolve this issue.
2. The Board discussed the 2021 budget requirements – several of the municipal partners have agreed with additional funding to the Board, but not all. There will be a significant shortfall by the end of the year. The Chair will contact the Warden as well as MPP Bob Bailey and report back to the Board.
3. The County requires a third signatory for the Board in the event that one of the other two signing officers is unavailable. The Chair suggested the Vice Chair as the third signatory. L. Martin, Vice Chair, advised that his term as Provincial Appointee to the Board end soon as asked that another member be chosen.

**Moved by L. Martin, S. Durance THAT** the Doug Cook is the third signatory for the Lambton Group Police Services Board.

Carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by S. Durance, L. Martin THAT** the June 19, 2021 meeting of the Lambton Group Police Services Board be adjourned.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

**Next meeting**: Wednesday, August 18, 2021, or at the call of the Chair.

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Murray Jackson, Chair Dela Horley, Secretary