**LAMBTON GROUP POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**October 20, 2021**

**Session # 5/2021**

**Date:** Wednesday, October 20, 2021

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

**Place:** Virtual Meeting

**Present: Murray Jackson, Chair**

**Leland Martin**

**Steve Miller**

**Doug Cook**

**Shirley Durance**

**Dela Horley, Secretary**

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

**Staff Sgt. Ross Stuart**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None declared.

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Moved by S. Miller, Seconded by L. Martin, THAT** the minutes of Session 4/2021, August 18, 2021 be adopted as submitted.

Carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

There was no business arising.

**DETACHMENT REPORT**

Staff Sgt. Ross Stuart reviewed the July and August 2021 policing report:

* Work continues on the domestic homicide in Corunna.
* Multijurisdictional homicide in Walpole; warrants executed across Southwestern Ontario.
* Work continues on the infant death in Courtright – parents charged.
* Continue to investigate homicide at Kettle and Stoney Point.
* Second homicide in Kettle and Stoney Point – person in custody.
* 13 sexual assaults – 4 persons charged.
* 18 sudden deaths in July and August – opioid related.
* Walpole announced a state of emergency due to opioid crisis.
* 2 arrested for sexual assault in Grand Bend.
* Street Crime Unit very busy – 26 occurrences with 24 charges; break and enter in Enniskillen – several guns recovered and 18 charges laid – 1 arrest, one outstanding warrant.
* 43 media releases in July; 37 in August.

Grand Bend summary of occurrences:

* 1457 calls for service
* 699 Provincial Offences issued
* 53 R.I.D.E. checks
* 12 impaired charges
* 3 drug incidents (resulting from R.I.D.E.)
* 15 assaults
* 2 sex assaults
* 1 robbery
* 4 death investigations

Marine Unit:

* 608 helm hours
* 1556 vessel checks
* 317 cottage checks
* 41 charges

Marine fatalities up 70% across Ontario; no increase in Lambton County.

**Moved by D. Cook, seconded by L. Martin, 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 updated the Board regarding the Community Safety and Well Being Program – more input was needed from 5 areas: Community Safety, Housing/Homelessness, Systemic Racism, Poverty Reduction, and Mental Health and Addictions. Committees were struck and will report by October 25th. A governance structure was set re- how to get the plan to the public. The intent is to submit to the Ministry by the end of the year.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* 1. 2022 Contract Policing Costs
  2. Financial Reports to August 31, 2021 *(sent electronically)*
  3. Interest Report for July 2021 and August 2021 *(sent electronically)*

**Moved by S. Miller, seconded by D. Cook, THAT** the correspondence as listed be accepted.

Carried.

**ACCOUNTS**

**Accounts/Finance**

1. Contract Policing – *November 2021* $ 751,811.00
2. Contract Policing – *December 2021*  $ 751,811.00
3. Mine & Yours Cleaning *(Forest ESO – September 2021)* $ 2,542.50
4. Mine & Yours Cleaning *(Forest ESO – August 2021)* $ 2,627.25
5. Mine & Yours Cleaning *(Corunna – September 2021)* $ 2,203.50
6. Mine & Yours Cleaning *(Corunna – August 2021)* $ 1,786.87
7. Eastlink *(Forest ESO Office – August 2021)* $ 259.02
8. Township of St. Clair *(Police Office Rental Oct-Dec 2021)* $ 24,790.26
9. Contract Policing *(Credit re- Jan-March Detachmt Revenues)* $ 12,803.26 CR
10. County of Lambton *(Fees Jan-March 2021)* $ 732.90
11. County of Lambton *(Fees April-June 2021)* $ 1,474.30
12. Trauma-Tech Inc. *(Bio Decontamination to cells and vehicle)* $ 1,695.00
13. Contract Policing *(Credit re- CPP Grant 25%)* $ 9,310.00 CR
14. Contract Policing *(Additional 2020 Detachment Revenues)* $ 261.05 CR
15. Contract Policing *(R.I.D.E. Salaries)* $ 15,147.78
16. BDO *(Audit Services for 2020 Year End)* $ 7,037.06
17. County of Lambton *(Cost Recovery Forest ESO Jul-Sept))* $ 2,700.00

**MHEART Grant Invoices**:

1. Vest $ 960.50
2. H. Taylor - Staff$ 1,761.85
3. H. Taylor - Staff $ 7,062.10
4. H. Taylor - Staff $ 7,062.10
5. H. Taylor - Staff $ 10,686.43

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

Carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Chair M. Jackson spoke with Andrew Taylor regarding the Forest ESO. No provincial funds are available to assist with policing offices. The Chair is recommending the Board consider closing the Forest ESO. Cleaning costs are far too high due to the pandemic and the Board cannot sustain it. He is waiting on additional information from Andrew Taylor. A plan may be in place going forward.
2. The Chair advised that he has been in contact with Warden Marriott regarding the Corunna Policing Office. The Warden has spoken with the Infrastructure Minister and funding may be available for this year; more information is expected soon.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by L. Martin, S. Miller THAT** the October 20, 2021 meeting of the Lambton Group Police Services Board be adjourned.

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

**Next meeting**: Wednesday, December 16, 2021, or at the call of the Chair.

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Murray Jackson, Chair Dela Horley, Secretary