

# LAMBTON GROUP POLICE SERVICES BOARD

## MEETING MINUTES

Location: Electronically via Zoom  
Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2022  
Time: **3:00 pm**  
Session: **#2/2022**



LAMBTON GROUP  
POLICE SERVICES  
BOARD

### **Present:**

Murray Jackson, Chair – Community Member  
Steve Miller, Member – Municipal Partner  
Doug Cook, Member – Municipal Partner  
Shirley Durance, Member – Provincial Appointee  
Staff Sgt. Ross Stuart, O.P.P Representative  
Mandi Pearson, Secretary (non voting)

Greg Nemcek, Member – incoming Community Member  
Alex Boughen, Member – incoming Community Member

### **Regrets:**

Inspector Chris Avery, O.P.P Representative

### **Members of the Public:**

Leland Martin

### **1. Call to Order**

- Murray Jackson, Chair called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

### **2. Appointment of Members**

- Mayors Group selected three candidates to be interviewed from the seven received applications
- Mayors Group appointed an interview team of Mayor Rombouts, Mayor Weber & Mayor Ferguson who interviewed the three candidates on Thursday, March 31, 2022
  - Recommendation from the interview team is for Mr. Greg Nemcek and Mr. Alex Boughen be appointed as community members to the board, and that the third candidate be requested to apply for the currently vacant provincial appointment.

Moved By: Doug Cook                      Seconded By: Steve Miller

*WHEREAS the Mayor's group representing the municipalities of the Lambton Group Police Services Board have made recommendation for appointment;  
 THAT Mr. Greg Nemcek and Mr. Alex Boughen be appointed as community members to the Lambton Group Police Board effective as of passing.*

Carried

**3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

- None Declared

**4. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

- i) Session 1, February 16, 2022

Moved By: Shirley Durance                      Seconded By: Doug Cook  
*THAT the minutes of Session 1/2022 dated February 16, 2022 be adopted as circulated.*

Carried

**5. Business Arising from Minutes**

- None

**6. Detachment Report**

Staff Sgt. Ross Stuart reviewed the January and February 2022 policing report:

- Major Crime Unit
  - Continues to be extremely busy for 2022

- Continued activity of Corunna domestic homicide, going to trial
  - 2021 unsolved homicide from Kettle & Stoney Point continues to be active
  - Continue to investigate homicide on Walpole Island, numerous arrests
  - Recent double homicide at end of 2021, person in custody
  - 14 sexual assaults during January & February
  - 2 overdose related deaths during this reporting period
- Street Crime Unit
    - 21 occurrences during this reporting period
    - Total of 22 criminal charges laid, after 5 related drug offences warrants issued
    - Active surveillance on person known to drug subculture in Lambton, was successfully in arrest, leading to two additional arrests and a total of five charges.
- Freedom Convoy
    - A large use of resources when reaching Lambton, blocking the 402
    - Resulting closure of the 402 for safety concerns
    - Overall was very peaceful
    - 3 hot spots in Ontario for this convoy, Windsor, Sarnia & Ottawa
    - 48 officers for both day and night shifts for a period of 3 weeks, brought in from across Ontario.
    - Warwick provided the community centre as the logistics centre for the additional officers, very grateful for this being provided.
    - Assurance that a contingency within the funding model for events such as this to be funded from a different stream. The additional 96 officers and support will not affect our local community budget for policing.

Moved By: Steve Miller

Seconded By: Doug Cook

*THAT the Detachment Commanders report be adopted as presented.*

Carried

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

## 7. Member's Report

Murray Jackson:

- Community safety plan continues to experience delays. Stf. Sgt. Ross and I meet with Chief Hansen shortly, followed by a May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting to fine tune prior to being submitted to County Council.

## 8. Correspondence

- i) Financial Reports to April 27, 2022 (*sent electronically*)
- ii) CIBC – CCLAG Interest Report for January 2022 and February 2022 (*sent electronically*)
- i) MOI - The Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program: Covid-19 Resilience Stream request response
- ii) OAPSB – Spring Conference
- iii) BDO – Planning Report
- iv) 2023 Municipal Policing Billing Statement Municipality Property Counts
- v) Response from A/Crown Attorney

Moved By: Doug Cook

Seconded By: Shirley Durance

*THAT the correspondence items as listed be received and filed.*

Carried

## 9. Accounts/Finance

### i. Accounts

Moved By: Steve Miller

Seconded By: Doug Cook

*THAT the accounts as listed be approved for payment.*

Carried

### ii. Other

Moved By: Shirley Durance

Seconded By: Steve Miller

*THAT the Court Security Prisoner Transportation (CSPT) grant – 2022 - \$28, 907, remain as operational offset for the board during the 2022 budget.*

Carried

iii. 2022 Budget

Moved By: Doug Cook

Seconded By: Steve Miller

*THAT to assist with offset of the unanticipated additional expenses incurred in 2020, 2021 & 2022 for enhanced cleaning at the Forest & Corunna ESO's due to the COVID 19 pandemic that transfer of \$31,000.00 from reserve be approved.*

Carried

Moved By: Doug Cook

Seconded By: Steve Miller

*THAT the 2022 Lambton Group Police Services Budget be approved as presented;  
AND THAT when the approved budget is circulated to member municipalities a follow up letter to the recent as for support of funds due to the increased cleaning costs be included.*

Carried

## 10. Public Input

Leland Martin:

- Commend the members of the OPP for their conduct during the convoy activities.

## 11. Other Business

- Response from the A' Crown to forward the letter to the Solicitor General's Office – OPP will respond to the ask
- Warden Marriott – nothing to new to report, Warden spoke to Minister Surma and indications were continuing to wait, funding is anticipated.  
Note: Provincial Writ to drop May 4, 2022 – could effect this progress
- Member Municipality responses for ask of shared COVID 19 increased cleaning expenses reviewed

Inspct. Avery:

- Update on Court Justice concerns - deferred to next meeting
- Provincial Announcement – deferred to next meeting

## 12. Adjournment

Moved By: Steve Miller                      Seconded By: Doug Cook

*THAT Session #2 of 2022 be adjourned until the next scheduled meeting on June 15, 2022 or at call of the Chair.*

Carried

Meeting adjourned at: 4:15 pm

**Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.**