

## **Minutes of a Meeting of the Police Services Board for the Town of Tecumseh**

The Police Services Board of the Town of Tecumseh convened in regular session on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 5:15 p.m. at the Tecumseh Town Hall, 917 Lesperance Road, Tecumseh, Ontario.

### **1. Order**

Vice Chair Eleanor Groh called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

### **2. Roll Call**

Present:	Vice Chair	Eleanor Groh
	Member	Mayor Gary McNamara
	Member	Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti
	Member	Fred Stibbard

Also Present	OPP	Staff Sgt. Brad Sakalo
	OPP	Constable Jeremy Kulwartian
	Secretary/Treasurer	Tony Haddad, CAO
	Recording Secretary	Ellen Preuschat

### **3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There was no pecuniary interest declared by a member of the Board.

### **4. Approval of the Agenda**

#### **Motion: PSB 31/18**

Moved by:	Member Fred Stibbard
Seconded by:	Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

**That** the Agenda for the Police Services Board Meeting dated October 17, 2018 as duplicated and delivered to the members thereof, be accepted.

**Carried**

### **5. Approval of the Previous Minutes**

#### **Motion: PSB 32/18**

Moved by:	Member Fred Stibbard
Seconded by:	Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

**That** the Regular Minutes of the September 13, 2018 Police Services Board Meeting, as duplicated and delivered to the members thereof, be adopted.

**Carried**

### **6. Delegations**

None.

### **7. OPP Monthly Report**

Staff Sgt. Brad Sakalo reported that the Winnipeg Police have reached out for assistance in setting up multiple 'safe trade' locations in Winnipeg for internet transactions, as Tecumseh was the pilot location for Project Safe Trade. He also noted that the Essex County OPP is working with Fire Rescue Services in the planning of the Town's annual emergency exercise scheduled for November 6.

Of note in the monthly report is a significant spike in traffic charges for the month of September (218 compared to 96 in 2017) as a result of Traffic Unit enforcement related to distracted driving. Over a period of 17 days, the unit issued 330 tickets in the region, of which 163 were in Tecumseh. Mayor McNamara requested that Town Council be apprised of the high number of traffic charges.

CAO Tony Haddad inquired if the statistics on 911 misdials and hangups could be used for public education. Staff Sgt. Sakalo responded that they could and that the OPP welcomes public education efforts to lower the high number of misdials.

Mayor McNamara inquired if there is a relationship between the current opioid drug use crisis and the increase in property crimes. Staff Sgt. Sakalo confirmed that they are often associated. He reported that a number of these crimes are currently being cleared.

Finally Sgt. Sakalo advised that a Collision Reporting Centre (CRC) recently opened at the Essex County OPP Detachment, and is a pilot project for OPP West Region. Collisions that do not involve injuries or property damage can be reported to the CRC, eliminating the need to call 911. He noted this has already freed up officers' time for front line service.

**Motion: PSB 33/18**

Moved by:	Mayor Gary McNamara
Seconded by:	Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

**That** the OPP Report for the month of September 2018 be received.

**Carried**

**8. Reports**

None.

**9. Communications – Action Required**

a. Email from OAPSB – dated September 28, 2018

Re: Training Opportunity in Chatham-Kent – November 7, 2018

b. Notice of Meeting – OACP/OAPSB Zone 6 Meeting – Wednesday, October 24, 2018 in London, ON

**Motion: PSB 34/18**

Moved by:	Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti
Seconded by:	Member Fred Stibbard

**That** attendance of members of the Police Services Board for the Town of Tecumseh be authorized for:

- i. the One Day Conference on Equitable Outcomes and Respectful Workplaces presented by the Loyalist College and the Ontario Association of Police Educators in partnership with the Chatham-Kent Police Service on November 7, 2018 in London, ON, and for the
- ii. Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) and Ontario Association of Police Services Board (OAPSB) Zone 6 meeting on October 24, 2018 in London, ON.

**Carried**

**10. Communications – For Information**

- a. Email from Essex County OPP – dated October 1, 2018  
Re: Distracted Driving Charges
- b. Letter from Municipal Policing Bureau, OPP – dated September 24, 2018  
Re: 2019 Annual Billing Statement

**Motion: PSB 35/18**

Moved by: Member Fred Stibbard  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

**That** correspondence detailed as Items 10 a-b Communications - For Information be received.

**Carried**

**11. Old Business**

- a. Board Membership

The board is currently operating with four members, as Christopher Hales' provincial appointment expired on September 28, 2018, and the vacancy has not yet been filled or posted on the Public Appointments Secretariat website.

It was noted that Vice Chair Eleanor Groh's current provincial term expires on February 11, 2019, and she is eligible for reappointment. CAO Tony Haddad will send a letter to the Public Appointments Secretariat requesting the timely renewal of Vice Chair Groh's appointment, as well as the posting of the current vacancy.

**12. New Business**

- a. 2019 Police and Police Services Board Budget

**Motion: PSB 36/18**

Moved by: Mayor Gary McNamara  
Seconded by: Member Fred Stibbard

**That** the proposed 2019 budget for Policing of \$3,286,302, reflecting a 2.76% increase, and for the Police Services Board of \$43,020, reflecting an 8.72% decrease, be approved by the Tecumseh Police Services Board and be recommended for consideration and approval by Town Council.

**Carried**

**13. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Police Services Board will be held Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

**14. Adjournment**

**Motion: PSB 37/18**

Moved by: Member Fred Stibbard  
Seconded by: Mayor Gary McNamara

**That** there being no further business to discuss, the October 17, 2018 meeting of the Tecumseh Police Services Board adjourn at 5:55 pm.

**Carried**

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Eleanor Groh, Vice Chair

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Tony Haddad, Secretary/Treasurer