

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 Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. at the Tecumseh Town Hall, 917 Lesperance Road, Tecumseh, Ontario.

1. Order

Secretary-Treasurer Tony Haddad called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

2. Oath of Office

The Oath of Office for the Police Services Board of the Town of Tecumseh was sworn and signed by Mayor Gary McNamara, Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti and Christopher Hales.

3. Roll Call

Present:	Member	Mayor Gary McNamara
	Member	Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti
	Member	Christopher Hales

Also Present	OPP	Staff Sgt. Brad Sakalo
	OPP	Sgt. Mike Gruszka
	Secretary-Treasurer	Tony Haddad, CAO
	Recording Secretary	Ellen Preuschat

It was noted that Eleanor Groh's provincial appointment expired on February 11, 2019, and a notice of reappointment has not been received.

4. Election/Appointment of Officers

a. Appointment of Secretary and Recording Secretary

Motion: PSB 1/19

Moved by:	Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti
Seconded by:	Member Christopher Hales

That the appointment of Tony Haddad as Secretary-Treasurer and Ellen Preuschat as Recording Secretary for the Tecumseh Police Services Board be reconfirmed for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2019.

Carried

b. Election of Chair

Secretary/Treasurer Tony Haddad called for nominations for Chair of the Tecumseh Police Services Board for the year 2019. Mayor Gary McNamara nominated Christopher Hales, seconded by Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti. Following second and third calls for nominations, no further nominations were received. The Secretary/Treasurer asked Mr. Hales if he wishes to stand and Mr. Hales accepted.

Motion: PSB 2/19

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

That Christopher Hales be appointed as Chair of the Police Services Board for the Town of Tecumseh for the period of January 1, 2019 up to and including December 31, 2019.

Carried

c. Election of Vice Chair

Motion: PSB 3/19

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

Whereas the election of a Vice-Chair for the Police Services Board is optional under the *Police Services Act, RSO 1990 S.28(2)*; and

Whereas the Police Services Board for the Town of Tecumseh is currently operating with two vacancies for provincial appointments;

Now therefore be it resolved that the election of a Vice Chair be deferred to such time that one or two appointments to the Police Services Board by the Lieutenant Governor in Council be completed.

Carried

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

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

6. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: PSB 4/19

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

That the Agenda for the Police Services Board Meeting dated February 14, 2019, as duplicated and delivered to the members thereof, be accepted.

Carried

7. Approval of the Previous Minutes

Motion: PSB 5/19

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

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

Carried

8. Delegations

There were no delegations presented to the board.

9. OPP Monthly Report

Sgt. Mike Gruszka summarized the highlights of the January 2019 Monthly Overview Report. He noted that the OPP is looking into opening a second Collision Reporting Centre in the south end of Essex County. Tecumseh has the highest percentage of collisions being reported to the Centre within area municipalities.

Mayor McNamara inquired regarding a case of repeated break and enter incidents at a business on North Talbot Road. Sgt. Gruszka responded that the Community Safety Officer has met with the business owner in question to provide advice on Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED).

Staff Sgt. Sakalo reported on the forum hosted by the OPP on February 7 on the topic of 'At Risk Youth and Human Trafficking'. There were 250 participants representing 43 regional agencies in attendance.

Motion: PSB 6/19

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

That the OPP Report for the months of November 2018 – January 2019 be received.
Carried

10. Reports

There were no reports presented to the board.

11. Communications – Action Required

- a. Email from Ontario Association of Police Services Boards – dated February 1, 2019
Re: OAPSB 2019 Spring Conference and AGM

Motion: PSB 7/19

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

That attendance by board members and administrative staff at the 2019 Ontario Association of Police Service Boards (OAPSB) Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting to be held May 22-25, 2019 in Windsor, ON be approved, in accordance with the Town of Tecumseh Travel Policy, Professional Development Policy and 2019 budget.

Carried

- b. Email from Ontario Association of Police Services Boards – dated January 30, 2019
Re: Sponsorship Request for 2019 Spring Conference and AGM

Motion: PSB 8/19

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

That sponsorship in the amount of \$300.00 of the 2019 Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB) Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting, to be held May 22-25, 2019 in Windsor, ON, be approved.

Carried

- c. Letter from Windsor & Essex County Crime Stoppers Inc. – dated January 30, 2019
Re: Bridging Partnerships Gala on June 1, 2019 at the St. Clair Centre for the Arts

Motion: PSB 9/19

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

That attendance at the 2019 Windsor & Essex County Crime Stoppers' Bridging Partners Gala by the Chair of the Tecumseh Police Services Board be authorized.
Carried

12. Communications – For Information

- a. Email from Ontario Association of Police Services Boards – dated January 23, 2019
Re: OAPSB Notice of the 2019 Annual General Meeting
- b. Letter from Tony Haddad, CAO and Board Secretary-Treasurer to the Public Appointments Secretariat – dated January 4, 2019
Re: Second Letter Regarding Provincial Appointment of Ms. Eleanor M. Groh – Vice Chair, Tecumseh PSB
- c. Email from OAPSB – dated January 17, 2019
Re: OAPSB Education and Training – An Overview of Offerings

Motion: PSB 10/19

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

That correspondence detailed as Items 12 a-c, Communications - For Information be received.

Carried

13. Old Business

- a. Board Membership – CAO Update

CAO Tony Haddad reported that a second letter, marked 'urgent', had been sent in early January to the Public Appointments Secretariat regarding the reappointment of former Member and Vice Chair Eleanor Groh, whose term expired on February 11, 2019. At the recent ROMA Conference, the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services advised delegates that the backlog of appointments and reappointments is being processed. Mayor McNamara added that he had hand delivered a copy of the CAO's letter to the Minister in January.

- b. Regional Discussion re Board Amalgamation – CAO Update

Following discussion, there was consensus not to move forward with regional discussions on board amalgamation until clarification on the legislation is received from the new provincial government.

Chair Hales requested that Mr. Tom Gervais, the Ministry's zone advisor, be invited to the next board meeting to provide information on the implementation of regulations associated with the new policing legislation.

14. New Business

- a. Annual Performance Review of Detachment Commander

Similar to previous years, Chair Hales will compile a final performance review for the Essex County Detachment Commander with input from other board members.

- b. Retirement of CAO and Board Secretary-Treasurer Tony Haddad

CAO Tony Haddad will retire at the end of March 2019, and this was his final meeting with the board. Chair Hales thanked Mr. Haddad for his expertise and years of support to the board. Mayor McNamara expressed appreciation to Mr. Haddad for the professionalism he brought to the board with respect to contracts, budgets and provincial initiatives such as OPP Billing Reform and Modernization of Policing. Chair

Hales presented Mr. Haddad with a donation to the Circle of Seven charitable organization, of which Mr. Haddad is President, as a show of appreciation.

c. Other New Business

CAO Tony Haddad reported that he had recently requested a report from the Tecumseh OPP Community Safety Officer on events and activities, which he summarized for the board. Deputy Mayor Bachetti noted that the CSO has been heavily involved in the schools and assisted with resolving issues that have come up.

15. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Police Services Board will be held Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

16. Adjournment

Motion: PSB 11/19

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

That there being no further business to discuss, the February 14, 2019 meeting of the Tecumseh Police Services Board adjourn at 5:35 p.m.

Carried

Christopher Hales, Chair

Tony Haddad, Secretary-Treasurer