

**MINUTES OF THE HAMILTON
POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

Tuesday, May 20, 2008
4:03pm
Board Room
Hamilton Central Station

The Police Services Board met.

There were present: Bernie Morelli, Chairman
Mark Nimigan, Vice Chairman
Karen Cimba
Nancy Di Gregorio
Fred Eisenberger

Absent with regrets: Bruce Pearson
Terry Whitehead

Also Present: Chief Brian Mullan
Deputy Chief Ken Leendertse
Deputy Chief Eric Girt
Superintendent Ken Bond
Superintendent Paul Morrison
Inspector Jamie Anderson
Inspector Warren Korol
Inspector Scott Rastin
Inspector Rick Wills
Marco Visentini, Legal Counsel
Rosemarie Auld, Human Resources Manager
Sergeant Terri-Lynn Collings, Media Relations
Catherine Martin, Corporate Communicator
Dan Bowman, Fleet and Facilities Manager
Peter Bailey, Records Manager
Lois Morin, Administrator

Chairman Morelli called the meeting to order.

Chairman Morelli declared an interest with a strong sense of pride in Item 2 a) Presentation for Member of the Month for April 2008. He then stepped down from the Chair.

Vice Chairman Nimigan took the Chair.

Presentations

a) *Member of the Month for April 2008*

Vice Chairman Nimigan and Chief Mullan presented the Member of the Month Award for April 2008 to Constable Bernt Salmon and Constable Mark Morelli. The officers were being hailed as heroes. The Huntsville Fire Chief says: "the officers' were instrumental in saving lives. Their quick actions changed the end result of this fire from being a tragic one". Constable Salmon and Constable Morelli were credited for saving the lives of 56 residents from the Rowanwood Road Retirement home.

b) AVL / GPS

Deputy Chief Eric Girt and Mr. Mark Allan, CAD Administrator provided a presentation with respect to the Automated Vehicle Locator (AVL) / Global Positioning System (GPS).

(Item 2)

Chairman Morelli resumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

Declarations of Interest

None

(Item 3)**Adoption of Minutes
–April 21, 2008**

Moved by: Vice Chairman Nimigan
Seconded by: Member Di Gregorio

The minutes of the meeting held Monday, April 21, 2008 were adopted as printed.

Carried.**(Item 4)****Memorandum of Agreement:
Provincial Victim Safety Project Grant**

As recommended by Chief Brian J. Mullan in Report PSB 08-057 dated May 20, 2008, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Eisenberger
Seconded by: Member Cimba

PSB 08-057

- a) That the Board enter into an Agreement with the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services to become part of the Victim Safety Project.
- b) That the Board accept grant monies, in the amount of \$139,297.00, from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, as reimbursement, within the terms of said Agreement. Funds to be credited to Account 53415-376300 – the ISD Equipment Account.
- c) That the Board authorize the expenditure of \$139,297.00, for the purchase of wireless data devices, related computer equipment and the hiring of a Part-time Project Coordinator, to provide enhanced safety for victims of crime, and that those unbudgeted funds be charged to Account 53415-376300 - the ISD Equipment Account.

Carried.**(Item 5)**

**Police Auctions:
Transition to Web-
Based Bidding**

PSB 08-048

As recommended by Chief Brian J. Mullan in Report PSB 08-048 dated May 20, 2008, the Board **considered** the following:

- a) That the Board enter into a one (1) year contract with *Police Auctions Canada Inc.*, for the provision of services associated with web-based bidding on eligible unclaimed property, formerly disposed of through in-house public auction.
- b) That all revenue generated from sales be deposited to the Hamilton Police Service Auction Account.
- c) That the Service evaluate the results of this contract, after 12 months, to determine the feasibility of continuing or reverting to in-house auctions.

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Eisenberger

Seconded by: Member Di Gregorio

That the report be referred to the next meeting of the Board and Chief Mullan provide further detail including financial projections and steps required for the evaluation of the program.

Carried.

(Item 6)

**Additional Vehicle
Purchases**

PSB 08-028a

(see also PSB 08-028
and PSB 02-052)

As recommended by Chief Brian J. Mullan in Report PSB 08-028a dated May 20, 2008, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Vice Chairman Nimigan

Seconded by: Member Cimba

- a) That the Board approve the replacement of plain door unit 595 due to mechanical repair costs that exceed the value of the vehicle.
- b) That the Board approve the acquisition of an additional plain door unit for use in the recently expanded Vice and Drugs Branch.
- c) That the Board authorize that the savings identified, through this year's vehicle procurements, be utilized to purchase this vehicle, through savings available in Vehicle Purchase Account 37608-51800.

Carried.

(Item 7)

**SURCH – The Made
in Hamilton
Approach to Dealing
with Drug Related
Crime**

PSB 08-061

Chief Mullan provided an outline with respect to the new approach to dealing with drug related crime.

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Cimba
Seconded by: Member Di Gregorio

That the report be received as circulated.

Carried.

Member Eisenberger conveyed the fact that City Council was pursuing the implementation of "drug court" in the City of Hamilton.

(Item 8)

Information Items

The Board approved the following recommendation:

Moved by: Vice Chairman Nimigan
Seconded by: Member Eisenberger

The Board receive the reports / correspondence as circulated.

- (a) Fear of Crime – Hamilton Core (PSB 08-053)

Note: Member Eisenberger will forward a copy of the "Broken Windows" program that the City of Hamilton has implemented.

- (b) March Break Cop Camp 2008 (PSB 08-058)
- (c) Correspondence from Chief Brian Mullan inviting Members of the Board to attend and participate in the "Gathering" 2008 scheduled for Sunday, June 8, 2008.
- (d) Letter of thanks from Mr. Phil Slack, President, Hamilton Police Retirees, thanking Chief Mullan and the Hamilton Police Services Board for their support of the Spring Luncheon.
- (e) Letter of thanks from Mr. Robert J. Donelson, President, St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton Foundation, thanking Chief Mullan for so generously sharing his time and expertise as a member of the Foundation Board.
- (f) Letter of thanks from Ms. Carolyn A. Milne, President & CEO, Hamilton Community Foundation, expressing their gratitude for Chief Mullan's commitment as a volunteer with the organization.
- (g) Correspondence from the Coast Mental Health Worker / Hamilton Region CIT Coordinator, expressing his extreme gratitude to Inspector Dan Kinsella for his assistance with the first Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Course.

- (h) Correspondence from Mr. Keith Madley, Director of Finance, Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services with respect to its Transfer Payment Accountability Directive.
- (i) E-mail from Wendy Fedec, Executive Director, Ottawa Police Services Board with respect to their new initiatives – Board Newsletter & Public Interest Meetings.

Carried.

(Item 9)

Other Business

Long Grass on Lincoln Alexander Expressway

Member Eisenberger requested information on the impediment to law enforcement if the grass was not cut along the Lincoln Alexander Expressway.

Chief Mullan was requested to prepare a complete analysis of the law enforcement impediments and issues surrounding long grass along the expressway.

Thanks to the Service

On behalf of the Board Chairman Morelli expressed thanks to Chief Mullan and all staff for the planning of an excellent week of events for "Police Week" and the celebrations for "175 Years of Policing in Hamilton".

(Item 10)

Adjournment

Moved by: Vice Chairman Nimigan
Seconded by: Member Cimba

There being no further business, the public portion of the meeting then adjourned at 4:59pm.

Carried.

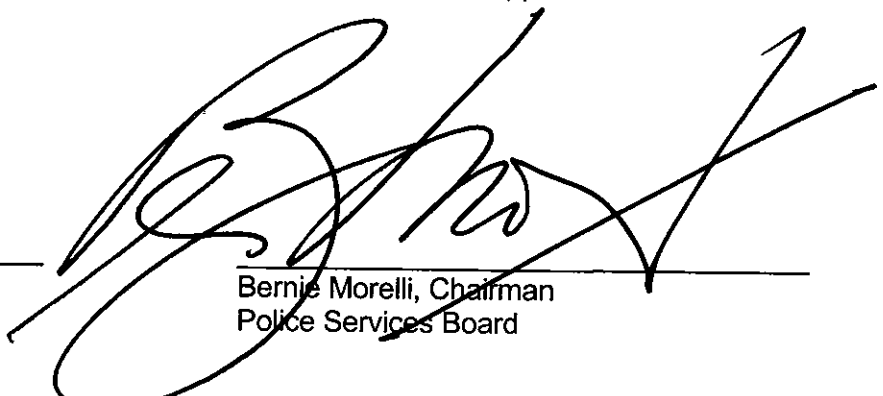
(Item 11)

The Board then met in camera to discuss matters of a private and confidential nature.

Taken as read and approved



Lois Morin
Administrator



Bernie Morelli, Chairman
Police Services Board