

**MINUTES OF THE HAMILTON  
POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

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Tuesday, February 17, 2009  
4:01pm  
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  
Bruce Pearson  
Terry Whitehead

Absent with regrets: None

Also Present: Chief Brian Mullan  
Deputy Chief Ken Leendertse  
Deputy Chief Eric Girt  
Superintendent Paul Morrison  
Superintendent Bill Stewart  
Inspector Jamie Anderson  
Inspector Dave Doel  
Inspector Dan Kinsella  
Inspector Warren Korol  
Inspector Scott Rastin  
Marco Visentini, Legal Counsel  
Rosemarie Auld, Manager Human Resources  
Sergeant Terri Lynn Collings, Media Relations  
Catherine Martin, Corporate Communicator  
Dan Bowman, Manager, Fleet & Facilities  
Rita Lee Irvine, Manager Research & Planning  
Ted Mason, Chief Accountant  
Lois Morin, Administrator

Member Morelli called the meeting to order.

**Presentation**

**a) *Safe Schools Challenge Contest***

Deputy Chief Leendertse, Sergeant Marty Schulenberg and Sergeant Will Mason announced the winners of the Safe Schools Challenge Video Contest. The winning videos were selected from submissions created by students from across Hamilton, who responded to the opportunity to promote student ownership and responsibility in the reporting and prevention of crime through the creation of a short video. These videos will be linked to the Hamilton Police Service website.

Chairman Morelli and Chief Mullan presented the winners with a plaque and gift, thanking each student and teacher for the great work and creativity.

**b) Member of the Month for December 2008**

Chairman Morelli and Chief Mullan presented the Member of the Month Award for December 2008 to Constable Chris Elliott. Constable Elliott was recognized for his exemplary service.

**c) Year-End Report: Crime Statistics – 2008 (PSB 09-018)**

Deputy Chief Leendertse provided a presentation with respect to 2008 Crime Statistics.

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Eisenberger  
Seconded by: Member Whitehead

That the Board receive PSB 09-018 – Year-End Report: Crime Statistics – 2008 as circulated.

**Carried.**

**d) Year-End Report: Traffic Statistics – 2008 (PSB 09-022; see also PSB 09-020)**

Deputy Chief Girt provided a presentation with respect to the 2008 Traffic Statistics.

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Whitehead  
Seconded by: Vice Chairman Nimigan

That the Board receive PSB 09-022 – Year-End Report: Traffic Statistics – 2008 as circulated.

**Carried.**

**(Item 2)**

**Declarations of Interest**

None

**(Item 3)**

**Adoption of Minutes – January 19, 2009**

Moved by: Member Whitehead  
Seconded by: Member Cimba

The minutes of the meeting held Monday, January 19, 2009 were adopted as printed.

**Carried.**

**(Item 4)**

**Provincial Repeat  
Offender Parole  
Enforcement  
(R.O.P.E.) Unit**

As recommended by Chief Mullan in Report PSB 01-111c dated February 17, 2009, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Pearson  
Seconded by: Member Di Gregorio

**PSB 01-111c**

- a) That the Hamilton Police Services Board renew, by entering into an Agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in the Right of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, operating as the Ontario Provincial Police (O.P.P.), by which one (1) Detective Constable of the Hamilton Police Service is seconded to the Provincial R.O.P.E. Unit, of the O.P.P., for a period of two (2) years, commencing on the 6th day of January, 2008.
- b) That the Chair and Administrator of the Board be authorized and directed to enter into said Agreement in a form satisfactory to Legal Counsel to the Police Service.

**Carried.**

**(Item 5)**

**Funding Agreement –  
Police Officers  
Recruitment Fund**

As recommended by Chief Mullan in Report PSB 08-117a dated February 17, 2007, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Whitehead  
Seconded by: Member Cimba

**PSB 08-117a**

- a) That the Board direct the Chair to execute the *Police Officers Recruitment Fund* Agreement between Her Majesty in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, the City of Hamilton, and the Hamilton Police Services Board, in a form satisfactory to Legal Counsel to the Police Service; and
- b) That the Board direct the Administrator for the Board to refer the Agreement, together with this Report, to the City of Hamilton, for execution of the Agreement, by the City of Hamilton.

**Carried.**

**(Item 6)**

**Memorandum of  
Agreement: Provincial  
Strategy to Protect  
Children from Sexual  
Abuse and  
Exploitation on the  
Internet**

As recommended by Chief Mullan in Report PSB 07-057a dated February 17, 2007, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Whitehead  
Seconded by: Vice Chairman Nimigan

**PSB 07-057a**

**(See also PSB 08-099)**

- a) That the Board enter into an Agreement with the Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services to renew our commitment to be part of the *“Provincial Strategy to Protect Children from Sexual Abuse and Exploitation on the Internet”*.
- b) That the Board accept grant monies, in the amount of \$25,500.00, from the Minister 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 \$25,500.00 for the purchase of computer equipment and software, to investigate child exploitation crimes on the Internet, and that those unbudgeted funds be charged to Account 53415-376300 - the ISD Equipment Account.

**Carried.**

**(Item 7)**

**Correspondence from Ms. Donna Dixon & Family requesting an increase in the Reward Offered for Information: Unsolved Missing Person Billy Mason**

After discussion the Board approved the following:

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

That the Reward Offered for Information: Unsolved Missing Person Billy Mason as outlined in PSB 06-098a be increased to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

**Carried.**

**(See PSB 06-098 and PSB 06-098a)**

**(Item 8)**

**Information Items**

The Board approved the following recommendation:

Moved by: Member Whitehead  
Seconded by: Member Cimba

The Board receive the reports / correspondence as circulated.

- (a) SURCH – Made in Hamilton Approach to Address Drug Related Crime in Hamilton – Drug Court Background and Update (PSB 08-061a)

**Note:** Vice Chairman Nimigan stated that drug court was a marvellous idea and that he is in support of any steps that need to be taken to make this happen in Hamilton.

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Vice Chairman Nimigan  
Seconded by: Member Whitehead

That the Board strongly endorse the implementation of a Drug Court in Hamilton and that this message be communicated to Minister Nicholson, the City of Hamilton and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

**Carried.**

- (b) Used Vehicle Purchase (PSB 09-015; see also PSB 08-100 and PSB 02-052)
- (c) Sexual Assault Registry of Ontario (S.O.R.) – Status Report (PSB 09-016)
- (d) 2008 R.I.D.E. Program (PSB 09-020)
- (e) Year-End Report: Communications Section – 2008 (PSB 09-021)
- (f) Year-End Report: Auxiliary – 2008 (PSB 09-023)
- (g) Correspondence from Gerry McNeilly, Independent Police Review Director with respect to the new civilian oversight body for public complaints against the police.
- (h) Correspondence from June Demerling, Chair, West Perth Police Services Board to the Honourable Chris Bently, Attorney General of Ontario with respect to a resolution adopted by the West Perth Police Services Board.
- (i) Correspondence from Lois Morin, Administrator to Ms. Donna Dixon with respect to her request.
- (j) Invitation to “Towards Eradicating Racism - Passages” scheduled for Thursday, March 19, at the Hamilton Spectator Auditorium.
- (k) Correspondence from Sandra Stanton, Chairperson, Friends of The OPP Museum inviting Board Members to attend the Historic Gala to celebrate the OPP’s 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- (l) Correspondence from Michael Moore, Chair Crime Stoppers of Hamilton expressing his sincere thanks for the commitment to the Crime Stoppers Program.
- (m) Correspondence from Lois M. Corey, Curator, Fieldcote Memorial Park and Museum expressing thanks for the support and assistance towards the success of the newest exhibition, Arrested in Time – 175 Years of Policing in Hamilton and 50 Years of Women in Hamilton Police.
- (n) Correspondence from Don Jaffray, M.A., Executive Director, Social Planning & Research Council expressing thanks for recently arranging a program of instruction on use of force training for members of your Citizens’ Advisory Committee.
- (o) Correspondence from Angel D’Andrea, Director, Special Events & Community Initiatives, Hamilton Health Sciences Foundation thanking the Hamilton Police Choir for the recent donation of \$1,250.

- (p) Information for the upcoming Ontario Association of Police Services Boards 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Conference.
- (q) Information for the upcoming Canadian Association of Police Boards 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference.

**Carried.**

**(Item 9)**

## **Other Business**

### **Correspondence with respect to the Independent Police Review Office: Focussed Consultations**

Chairman Morelli stated that he and Chief Mullan had met with Mr. MacNeil to discuss the Independent Police Review Office. He then expressed concern with respect to the unavailability of public consultation sessions for the Citizens of Hamilton.

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Cimba  
Seconded by: Member Whitehead

That the Board receive the correspondence from the Independent Police Review Office with respect to Focussed Consultations as circulated, and that the concern of the Board with respect to the unavailability of focussed consultations for the Citizens of Hamilton be forwarded to Mr. MacNeil.

**Carried.**

### **Performance Measures**

Member Whitehead thanked Chief Mullan and staff for the year-end reports that have been provided. He suggested inclusion of additional comparison(s) and data with respect to other jurisdictions which may provide an opportunity for advocating amendments to current laws and the implementation of other projects.

Chairman Morelli encouraged Members of the Board to work with Chief Mullan in any area that may benefit this service.

### **Update – Chief Mullan**

- **Media Release**

Chief Mullan highlighted the recent Media Release with respect to the officers that had been charged, updating the Board on the status.

- **Hess Street Village**

Chief Mullan updated the Board on issues surrounding Hess Street Village that had been shared at a City of Hamilton planning meeting, stating that an operational plan would be implemented to

address concerns. He further mentioned that he would continue to express his opinion and concern on issues when it affects public safety.

Member Whitehead explained his concern with respect to the police getting involved in city planning noting that planning is the job of the city and the police should only look at policing issues relative to an area / issue.

Chairman Morelli thanked Chief Mullan commenting that the police did a great job on the presentation to the city and he encouraged the police to continue to provide feedback to the City when it concerns public safety.

- **2009 Budget**

As a result of the revised estimates for gas the Hamilton Police Service 2009 Budget has been decreased to 3.36% which will reduce the overall budget from \$120,086,210 to \$119,955,480.

**(Item 10)**

**Adjournment**

Moved by: Member Whitehead  
Seconded by: Member Pearson

There being no further business, the public portion of the meeting then adjourned at 5:48pm.

**Carried.**

**(Item 11)**

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

Taken as read and approved

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Lois Morin  
Administrator

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Bernie Morelli, Chairman  
Police Services Board

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