

MINUTES: Regular Meeting of the Midland Police Services Board
DATE: Thursday January 4, 2018, 4:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Midland Council Chambers
575 Dominion Avenue, Midland, Ontario

ATTENDANCE: Chair G. Dixon
Vice-Chair S. Strathearn
J. Contin
J. Attwood
G. Canning
Chief M. Osborne
Inspector R. Wheeldon
D. Beauchamp (Recording Secretary)
Jeeti Sahota, MCSCS

REGRETS: Nil.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Chair Dixon at 4:00 p.m.
2. ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR THE YEAR 2018.

Chief Osborne declared the Chair position vacant and requested nominations for the 2017 Midland Police Service Board Chair.

MOVED by G. Canning that the 2018 Midland Police Services Board Chair be G. Dixon.

MOVED by J. Contin that the 2018 Midland Police Services Board Chair be J. Attwood.

Vote: Show of hands for the position of Chair.

A majority of the members voted for G. Dixon.

Chair Dixon advised he would stand.

Chair Dixon assumed the Chair and declared the position of Vice-Chair vacant, and asked for nominations for the 2018 Midland Police Services Board Vice-Chair.

MOVED by G. Canning that the 2018 Midland Police Services Vice-Chair be S. Strathearn.

MOVED by J. Attwood that the 2018 Midland Police Services Vice-Chair be J. Contin.

VOTE: show of hands for the position of Vice-Chair.

A majority of the members voted for S. Strathearn.

S. Strathearn advised he would stand.

The Midland Police Services Board 2018 Vice-Chair is S. Strathearn.

3. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA.

MOVED by S. Strathearn to approve the Regular meeting agenda as amended.

SECONDED by: J. Attwood

Vote: CARRIED

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST – Nil.

5. PRESENTATIONS – Nil.

6. DEPUTATIONS – Nil.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

With respect to Page 3 of the December 18, 2017 minutes, the wording “Addendum – Johnstone & Cowling charges for legal services” be amended to “Johnstone & Cowling charges for legal services”.

MOVED by S. Strathearn to adopt the Minutes of the previous Meeting held Monday December 18, 2017, as amended.

SECONDED by G. Canning

VOTE: CARRIED.

8. BUSINESS ARISING:

Litigation Accounts

Chair Dixon stated that a legal opinion had been received, and would be discussed in closed session.

Remuneration for Board Chair

Chair Dixon provided a list of several meetings and extended phone conversations he had been involved in with respect to the OCPC and disbandment process. The Board will consider the remuneration at a future meeting.

9. CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence from Ontario Civilian Police Commission (OCPC), dated December 29, 2017

The Board reviewed the correspondence from the OCPC. The Board discussed timelines of the OCPC for disbandment. The correspondence was taken as information.

10. CHIEF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT:

The Chief's report is unavailable at this time due to the early meeting date. The Chief will circulate the report when it is available.

11. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Remuneration

The Board reviewed the Remuneration report for attendance at regular Board meeting the month of December 2017.

Member Strathearn and Chair Dixon attended additional meetings and will advise the dates they attended different meetings. Chair Dixon will confirm the events after December 18, 2017 and notify the Board Secretary.

MOVED by J. Contin that the Remuneration report for the Midland Police Services Board for the month of December 2017 be approved.

SECONDED by J. Attwood.

VOTE – CARRIED.

Treasury Report 2017 to Date

The Board reviewed the Treasury report to December 2017.

National Bank of Canada Police Accounts:

The Board reviewed the Police Auction and Property accounts to date.

MOVED by J. Attwood to adopt the following financial reports as presented;

- Treasury Report to date
- Police Auction Account to date
- Police Property Account to date

SECONDED by S. Strathearn.

VOTE – CARRIED.

12. MIDLAND POLICE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE ADDRESS THE BOARD. – Nil.

13. NEW BUSINESS

PEM Grant

Chief Osborne discussed the PEM (Policing Efficiency and Modernization) Grant. The Chief stated it is the Board's decision as to whether or not they would apply for the grant. Chief Osborne stated that another community group that would be applying for a similar grant under a community safety grant program and he will update accordingly.

MOVED by Chair Dixon that Vice-Chair Strathearn and J. Contin receive advice from the Chief on the other community agency's grant, and Member Strathearn exercise his best judgment about whether or not to pursue this any further. After his meeting on December 19, 2017, Chief Osborne would discuss with the Detachment Commander and then bring information to Vice-Chair Strathearn and J. Contin for their consideration. It was agreed upon by the Board to take that direction.

Prior to the Tabling of the In Camera Meeting Agenda, it was suggested that the training session from Ms. Sahota be moved to open session as the information was not of a confidential nature.

MOVED by J. Attwood that the Closed Agenda be amended to reflect that Item 4, Board Training provided by Ms. Sahota, be moved to open session.

SECONDED by S. Strathearn

VOTE: CARRIED.

14. BOARD TRAINING PROVIDED BY JEETI SAHOTA OF MCSCS

Ms. Sahota provided a brief overview of the obligations of a section 10 Board as it transitions from a section 31 Board. Ms. Sahota will provide the presentation and information to the Board Secretary for distribution to the Board.

15. TABLING OF IN-CAMERA MEETING AGENDA

Moved to go in camera by J. Contin at 5:12 p.m.

SECONDED by S. Strathearn

VOTE: CARRIED.

16. RECONVENING OF OPEN PORTION:

The open portion of the meeting reconvened 7:02 p.m.

17. IN-CAMERA MEETING REPORT:

The Board met in closed session to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting as amended. Under Business Arising the Board discussed legal advice received on legal bills, and approved an assessment by external counsel. The Board also received an update on the MPA conciliation that will go to binding arbitration; a tentative settlement with the SOA; and with respect to an employment contract, the Board gave consideration to possible amendments to same.

18. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:

Monday, March 19, 2018 at 4:00 p.m., or at the call of the Vice-Chair.

19. MOVED to adjourn to the Regular-camera meeting made by S. Strathearn

SECONDED S. Strathearn

VOTE – Carried.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:08 p.m.

George Dixon
Chair

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