

# Hamilton Police Services Board PUBLIC MINUTES

Thursday, July 29, 2021 1:00 p.m.

Due to COVID-19 Hamilton Police Services Board Meetings Will Temporarily be Taking Place Virtually - All electronic meetings can be viewed at: https://hamiltonpolice.on.ca/about/police-services-board (under meetings)

Present: Vice Chair Fred Bennink

Member Athulathmudali

Member Collins Member Elms Member Jackson Member Mandy

Absent with Regrets: Chair Eisenberger

Also Present: Chief Frank Bergen

Acting Deputy Chief Paul Hamilton Acting Deputy Chief Mike Worster Chief Administrative Officer Anna Filice

Director of Finance / Chief Financial Officer John Randazzo

Director of Human Resources Leanne Sneddon

Legal Counsel Marco Visentini Administrator Kirsten Stevenson

Others Present: Retired Board Administrator Lois Morin

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#### 1. Call to Order

The Vice Chair called the meeting to order and read a land acknowledgement:

The Hamilton Police Services Board is meeting on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, HuronWendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an

agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. It was further acknowledged that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and it was recognized that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers.

The Vice Chair acknowledged the passing of former Chief of Police Brian Mullan. The Board and Hamilton Police Service observed a moment of silence to honour former Chief Mullan.

# 1.1 Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

Moved By: Member Collins Seconded By: Member Elms

That the agenda be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2. Public Presentations & Deputations

# 2.1 Deputation from Kojo Damptey, Executive Director for the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion Regarding Racial Profiling and Use of Deadly Force

Kojo Damptey, Executive Director for the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion provided his deputation to the Board.

Moved By: Member Elms

Seconded By: Member Jackson

That the deputation be received.

**CARRIED** 

# 2.2 Members of the Month - May and June, 2021

Chief Bergen presented Members of the Month for May and June, 2021 as follows:

May 2021 - Constable Rory Gemmill (Division 10 C Squad)

June 2021 - Constable Cory Raposo (Division 20 B Squad)

Moved By: Member Elms

Seconded By: Member Athulathmudali

That the presentations be received as information.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. General

#### 3.1 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

# 4. Approval of the Minutes

#### 4.1 June 24, 2021

Moved By: Member Collins Seconded By: Member Elms

That the minutes of the June 24, 2021 meeting be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

#### 5. Consent Items

Moved By: Member Athulathmudali Seconded By: Member Collins

That the Consent Items listed as 5.1 through 5.9 be received and approved.

CARRIED

- 5.1 Year-end Report: Crime Prevention, Auxiliary & Volunteer Unit 2020 (21-079)
- 5.2 Auction Account Fund Support for Upcoming Events
- 5.3 Correspondence from Andrew Bell dated June 19, 2021 with regards to R. v. Orane Brown
- 5.4 Correspondence from Spencer Blackwood dated June 24, 2021 with regards to Please Reconsider Excess Funding for Police
- 5.5 Correspondence from City of Hamilton Council dated July 12, 2021 with regards to Bill 148, Doored But Not Ignored Act, 2019
- 5.6 Correspondence from the Solicitor General dated June 29, 2021 with regards to Entering Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen (21-0077)
- 5.7 Correspondence from the Solicitor General dated July 15, 2021 with regards to Entering Step Three of the Roadmap to Reopen (21-0078)

# 5.8 Correspondence from Good Shepherd dated June 2021

# 5.9 Outstanding Business List as of July 29, 2021

#### 6. Discussion Items

There were no discussion items.

#### 7. New Business

#### 7.1 Governance Committee Nominations

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved By: Member Jackson Seconded By: Member Collins

That the Board's Governance Committee be comprised of Members Mandy, Athulathmudali and Elms.

CARRIED

#### 7.2 Excessive Speed and Noise Complaints from Residents

Member Jackson discussed the issue of excessive speeding and noise complaints from residents and asked for an update on Project Torque from the Service.

Acting Deputy Chief Hamilton provided updates on Project Torque and ensured that traffic safety is a priority within the Service.

Acting Deputy Chief Worster provided updates on Project Pit Stop.

Chief Bergen provided updates on the Traffic Safety Unit.

#### 8. Adjournment

That there being no further business, the Board adjourned at 1	:56 PM.
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Taken as read and approved.	
Vice Chair Bennink	Administrator Kirsten Stevenson