

MINUTES OF THE HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

Thursday, November 25, 2021
1:05 PM
Virtual

The Police Services Board met.

Present: Chair Eisenberger
Vice Chair Fred Bennink
Member Athulathmudali
Member Elms
Member Farr
Member Mandy

Absent with Regrets: Member Jackson

Also Present: Chief Frank Bergen
Deputy Chief Ryan Diodati
Deputy Chief Paul Hamilton
Director of Finance / Chief Financial Officer John Randazzo
Director of Human Resources Leanne Sneddon
Legal Counsel Marco Visentini
Staff Sergeant Sara Beck
Inspector Robin Abbott
Administrator Kirsten Stevenson
Retired Administrator Lois Morin

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order.

1.1 Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved By: Member Elms

Seconded By: Member Mandy

That the November 25, 2021 agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

2. Public Presentations & Deputations

2.1 Member of the Month - September 2021

Staff Sergeant Sara Beck presented the September Member of the month as follows:

Constable Brian Clavel.

2.2 Beemer Park Encampment Verbal Update

The Chief provided an update on events that transpired on November 24, 2021 at the Beemer Park encampment.

3. General

3.1 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Approval of the Minutes

4.1 Minutes - October 28, 2021

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved By: Member Elms

Seconded By: Vice Chair Bennink

That the minutes of October 28, 2021 be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

5. Consent Items

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved By: Vice Chair Bennink

Seconded By: Member Athulathmudali

That the Consent Items listed as 5.1 through 5.10 be received and approved, as presented.

CARRIED**5.1 Auction Account Requests for Support**

That a donation in the amount of \$500 be made to support the '17th Annual Power of a Life Changed Gala' taking place on November 3, 2021 hosted by Liberty for Youth; and

That a donation in the amount of \$500 be made to support 'The Children's Fund Christmas Tree of Hope' campaign hosted by CHML.

5.2 Capital Project Status Report as at September 30, 2021 (21-119)

Be received as information.

5.3 Budget Variance Report as at September 30, 2021 (21-120)

Be received as information.

5.4 Governance Committee Minutes - October 28, 2021

That the minutes of the Governance Committee dated October 28, 2021 be approved as presented.

5.5 Media Release - Mayor Fred Eisenberger Vacating Hamilton Police Services Board Chair Position, Exiting Board (dated November 16, 2021)**5.6 Correspondence from the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards to the Associate Minister of Mental Health & Addictions with regards to Mental Health Service Calls (October 21, 2021)****5.7 Correspondence from the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards to the Solicitor General with regards to Provincial Grant Funding and Community Safety & Policing Act (October 22, 2021)****5.8 Correspondence from the Ministry of the Solicitor General dated November 8, 2021 with regards to Booster Dose of COVID-19 Vaccine (21-0116)****5.9 Correspondence from Sheryl and Tom Perrie dated October 25, 2021 with regards to Hamilton Fake Police Home Coming Police Response****5.10 Outstanding Business List as of November 25, 2021****6. Discussion Items****6.1 Governance Sub-Committee Report Call for Proposals to Host the Canadian Association of Police Governance's (CAPG) 34th Annual Conference (PSB GOV 21-001)**

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved By: Member Elms

Seconded By: Member Mandy

That the Board not move forward with submitting a proposal to host the CAPG's 34th Annual Conference in 2023.

CARRIED

6.2 Recommendations from the Governance Committee's October 28, 2021 Meeting (PSB GOV 21-002)

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved By: Member Athulathmudali

Seconded By: Member Elms

That the Board approve and implement recommendations 1.1 a, b & c, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4 and 1.5 as listed in the Governance Committee's Minutes of October 28, 2021, attached to this report as 'Appendix A'.

CARRIED

6.3 Correspondence from Staff Sergeant Andrea Torrie, Co-Director 2022 International Association of Women Police Conference with regards to Request for Funding

After discussion the Board approved the following:

Moved By: Member Mandy

Seconded By: Vice Chair Bennink

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$5000 to support the 2022 International Association of Women in Police Conference; and

That these funds be provided from the Auction Account Fund.

CARRIED

7. New Business

7.1 Election of Hamilton Police Services Board Chair

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Farr

Seconded by: Member Elms

That Procedural By-law 19-001, Section 4.4 be amended to read "The election of the Chair and Vice-Chair shall be held at a meeting where the majority of the Members of the Board are present, and an election may be deferred until such meeting."

CARRIED

The Board held an election for the position of Chair of the Police Services Board.

The Administrator assumed the role of Chair and called for nominations. It was moved by Member Eisenberger and seconded by Vice Chair Bennink that Member Mandy be nominated for the position of Chair. Member Mandy indicated she would stand for election.

The Administrator called for further nominations, and as there were none, Member Mandy was proclaimed Chair. Member Eisenberger resumed the role of Chair.

7.2 Strategic Planning Committee Nominations

Inspector Robin Abbott gave a presentation.

Member Mandy provided comments on the Board's involvement in the Strategic Planning Process.

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved By: Member Athulathmudali

Seconded By: Member Farr

That the following members be appointed to the Strategic Planning Committee: Vice Chair Bennink, Member Mandy and Member Partridge.

CARRIED

8. Adjournment

Moved By: Member Athulathmudali

Seconded By: Member Farr

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 2:18 PM.

CARRIED

Taken as read and approved.

Chair Fred Eisenberger

Administrator Kirsten Stevenson