

Owen Sound Police Services Board

2nd Floor Meeting Room

Wednesday April 24th, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

Members Present:	J. Thomson (Chair), I. Boddy, S. Kukreja, B. O’Leary
Management Present:	Chief C. Ambrose, Inspector J. Fluney, Inspector D. Bishop
Guests attending:	D. Sprague- Ministry of the Solicitor General (Via Zoom)
Minutes:	K. Wardell

1. Call to Order

Chair Thomson acknowledged that all board members have completed the mandatory training required under the new CSPA to attend the first regular meeting after the in-force date of the new CSPA on April 1, 2024.

Chair Thomson called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

2. Land Acknowledgment

I would like to respectfully acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional lands of the First Nations and has been inhabited by Indigenous peoples from the beginning. In particular, I acknowledge the history, spirituality, and culture of the Territory of the Anishinabek Nation; the People of the Three Fires known as Ojibway, Odawa, and Pottawatomi Nation and further give thanks to the Chippewas of Saugeen, and the Chippewas of Nawash, known collectively as the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, as the traditional keepers of this land. We recognize and deeply appreciate their historic connection to this area as well as the contributions of Métis, Inuit, and other Indigenous peoples whose ancestors shared these lands and waters. May we live with respect for each other on this land and live in peace and friendship with all its diverse peoples.

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“Prior to today’s meeting, the Board met in closed session to review and discuss matters that in their opinion fell under Section 44 of the Community Safety and Policing Act, and Section 24 item b) of the OSPSB General Policy- 003 – Board Governance.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by I. Boddy, seconded by S. Kukreja.

“That the agenda dated April 24, 2024, be approved with the addition of item f) Signing Authority at the bank.” CARRIED

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest arising out of the Minutes and Matters Listed on the Agenda. HEARING NONE

5. Presentations, Deputations, and Public question period.

None at this time.

6. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Public Session held February 21, 2024.

Moved by S. Kukreja, seconded by B. O’Leary.

“That the minutes dated February 21, 2024, be approved.” CARRIED

7. Business arising out of the Public Session Minutes of the February 21, 2024. HEARING NONE

8. Correspondence received

- a) Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Coordinator Report – January to March 2024
- b) Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Tipster- Spring 2024

9. Chairman’s Report

Chair Thomson provided an update on recent events he attended recently. They included

- CSPA Summit February 27-28 in Toronto.
- March 5, 2024 attended an evening zoom training meeting hosted by the OAPSB trainers.
- March 12, 2024 Attended a Zone 5 meeting.
- March 21, 2024, attended an OAPSB discussion group zoom mtg for questions and answers on CSPA.
- April 18, 2024 attended an additional OAPSB discussion group zoom mtg for questions and answers on CSPA.

10. Governance

- a) Zone 5 Update

Updated during Chair's report.

- b) Update on New CSPA

Chair Thomson noted prior to today's meeting that all members have fulfilled their mandatory training requirements before the board meeting. Additional training is forthcoming, but the release date has not yet been announced.

D. Sprague updated the board on the new Deputy Inspector General Joe Maiorano from the Durham Regional Police Services effective April 2, 2024. He will be working very closely with Ryan Teschner.

11. Reports from Inspector D. Bishop

- Inspector Bishop presented the following reports
 - a) Criminal Investigations Branch and Drug Enforcement/Criminal Intelligence Unit
 - b) Auxiliary Unit Report
 - c) Community Oriented Response & Enforcement Unit

12. Reports from Inspector J. Fluney

- Inspector Fluney presented the following reports
 - a) Front Line Patrol and Collision Statistics
 - b) Community Services Office
 - c) Lost Hours and Training

13. Reports from Director of Civilian Services K. Fluney

- Inspector Fluney presented the following report on behalf of Director Fluney

14. Report from Director of Corporate Services S. Bell-Matheson and Director of Information Technology Services C. Hill

- Inspector Fluney presented the following report on behalf of Director Bell-Matheson and Director Hill

15. Financial Reports from the Chief of Police

- a) Financials

Chief Ambrose reported that due to the ongoing annual audit for 2023 by the city, several new grants haven't been included in the financial statements. While all expenses are listed, the income is not reflected, necessitating explanations for each line item. He emphasized that once all items are entered, he will provide the board with an update.

16. Operating Reports from the Chief of Police

a) Chief's Activity Report

As there were no requests for action in the above reports, which were provided for information purposes, they will be placed on file with the minutes of this meeting for future reference.

17. Other Items and New Business

a) Website update

Chief Ambrose reported that the new website has been officially launched, marking the culmination of significant collaborative efforts within the city. The OSPS transitioned from their previous website to a fresh design, meticulously crafted for user-friendliness. The website's backend significantly streamlines the updating process for users. It was also noted the significant amount of work done by K. Wardell in posting information to the new website and board members thanked her for her efforts.

b) IP Address Issue

Chair Thomson highlighted that in the past, a warrant could be secured for an IP Address. In accordance with a Supreme Court of Canada recent ruling has mandated the necessity of obtaining a warrant for not only the IP addresses, but a subsequent warrant for the individual associated with the IP address. This requirement will have a substantial impact on policing practices. Chief Ambrose mentioned that a report addressing this matter will be presented at the May meeting.

c) Use of Force Annual Report

Chief Ambrose remarked that due to the modifications in the CSPA pertaining to police reporting of use of force, additional information had to be incorporated into the annual report. Inspector Fluney then presented the annual use of force report to the board

d) ViCLAS, Missing person and Major Crime Management Annual Reports

Inspector Bishop noted that the above reports have been reported to the Ministry.

e) OAPSB Member Sponsorship Opportunities 2024

Chair Thomson explained that in the board package was an e-mail from the OAPSB seeking sponsorships for their 2024 Spring Conference and AGM. We do have an opportunity to purchase a Silver Sponsorship for \$1,000 for the 2024 Spring Conference and AGM. As a Silver sponsor the OAPSB would receive recognition as a silver sponsor and recognition on the OAPSB website.

Moved by I. Boddy, and seconded by S. Kukreja.

*“That the board approve a Silver Sponsorship in the amount of \$1000.00 for the OAPSB 2024 Spring Conference and AGM.” **CARRIED***

f) Signing Authority

In March 27, 2023 the board made a motion to update the signing authority. At that time the board removed the names of former board members and replace them with titles. Recent discussions with the bank revealed they need actual names of signatories.

Moved by B. O’Leary, seconded by I. Boddy.

“That the signing authority at the bank be updated to include the following individuals:

- *J. Thomson – Chair*
- *Boddy- Board Member*
- *B. O’Leary- Board Member*
- *Chief Ambrose*
- *Jeff Hawke – Financial Coordinator*
- *Jeff Fluney- Inspector*
- *Dave Bishop – Inspector*

*Any two of the authorized individuals above may sign, with one being from the board and one from the service be approved.” **CARRIED***

g) Correspondence from the OPP – Provision of Service

Chief Ambrose reported that he received confirmation from the OPP indicating that until under the CSPS a new agreement has been made the current agreement will remain in effect, and they will provide assistance as needed.

h) Vault Audit Annual Report

Inspector Fluney presented the Vault Audit Annual Report to the board.

i) Court Security Plan 2023

Chief Ambrose presented the Court Security Plan on behalf of Director Fluney.

18. Termination of the Public Meeting

As the board had dealt with all of the items on the agenda, and there being no additional business to conduct, the chair declared the open session to be terminated at 11:08 a.m.

Next Meeting: May 29th, 2024

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