

**Owen Sound Police Services Board
Public Meeting
Thursday, May 14, 2015
2nd Floor Meeting Room**

Media Present: C. McCormack; Bayshore Broadcasting

Members Present: I. Boddy, G. Levine, B. O’Leary, G. Pierce (Chairman) and B. Twaddle

Admin. Present: Chief W. Sornberger, Inspector S. MacKinnon and Inspector V. Wurfel

Minutes: K. Krampien

1. **Call to Order**

Chairman declared the Thursday, May 14, 2015 meeting be called to order at 9:05 a.m.
CARRIED

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by G. Levine, seconded by I. Boddy
“That the agenda dated May 14, 2015 be approved.” **CARRIED**

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest arising out of the matter listed on the agenda.
HEARING NONE.

4. Presentations, deputations, and Public Question period. **HEARING NONE.**

5. **Approval of Minutes**

Moved by B. Twaddle, seconded by G. Levine
“That the minutes dated March 26, 2014 be approved as distributed.” **CARRIED**

6. Business arising out of the minutes dated March 26, 2014 Public Meeting.
HEARING NONE.

7. **Operational Report**

Platoon Enforcement Statistics – April 2015

<u>Platoon #1 – 4</u>		<u>Part-time</u>	
Highway Traffic Act: (includes CAIA)	99	Highway Traffic Act: (includes CAIA)	9
S.T.E.P. Charges/Warnings	60	S.T.E.P. Charges/Warnings	26
Compliance Reports:	32	Compliance Reports:	4
Recorded Cautions:	80	Recorded Cautions:	17
Liquor Licence Act:	14	Liquor Licence Act:	-
Criminal Code/ CDSA:	78	Criminal Code/ CDSA:	-
Other POA/By-Law:	8	Other POA/By-Law:	3
Foot Patrol (Downtown):	122.25	Foot Patrol (Downtown):	22.5
Foot Patrol (High Schools):	4.75	Foot Patrol (High Schools):	2
		Shits Worked:	23

R.I.D.E.

There were a total of 20 on-duty R.I.D.E. checks in April. Of the on-duty RIDE checks, Sgt. Kielb's platoon (# 1) conducted 7; Sgt. Green's platoon (# 2) conducted 3; Sgt. Baker's platoon (# 3) conducted 7; and A/Sgt. Suchomel's platoon (# 4) conducted 3.

The combined statistics were:

On Duty R.I.D.E.

- 41 officers,
- 19 hours,
- 563 drivers checked,
- 12 HTA charges/cautions
- 2 Compliance Reports
- 1 roadside test
- 1 Impaired Driving/Over 80 charge

There were no provincially funded overtime R.I.D.E. checks conducted in April.

S.T.E.P.

The Special Traffic Enforcement Program (S.T.E.P.) initiative for the month of April focused on Impaired Driving, Aggressive Driving (not including speeding) and Distracted Driving (Use of hand-held devices). All platoon and traffic officers participated in the monthly S.T.E.P. A total of 86 charges/cautions were issued for S.T.E.P. related offences.

Other Items

- Preparations are ongoing for Police Week in May and the Pan-Am Games Torch Relay in June.
- Graduation ceremonies for the new auxiliary class were held on April 02nd, 2015. Ten new auxiliary members graduated and are awaiting their Ministry designation. (See Auxiliary report for details).

Auxiliary Report: April 2015

Operations:

In April 2015, the Auxiliary Unit contributed 155 hours. Our top member this month had 38.5 hours.

New Recruits:

The new recruits graduated on April 2nd, 2015. This year's recipient of the Chiefs Award was Thomas Harris. Congratulations to Thomas and all the graduating recruits listed below:

Colin Barrett	Stephen-James Bent	Robert Carr	Thomas Harris
Lakota Hill	Josh Hoffele	Kaitlyn Patchell	Dan Trafelet
Jason Walker	Jeremy West		

I would like to extend my appreciation to the Board for their attendance and participation in the ceremony and to Inspector MacKinnon and Inspector Wurfel who attended and filled in for the Chief, who was unable to join us due to the death of a family member. The recruits must now wait for their appointments through the Ministry prior to commencing patrols.

- There were no questions regarding Operations.

8. Administration Report

April 2015 – Accident Statistics

Total Collisions:	(34)	Comments
Collisions - East side Owen Sound	16	
Collisions - West side Owen Sound	05	
Collisions - parking lots	13	Including 4 FTR below
Fail to Remain Collisions	4	
Collisions referred to CRC	12	
Collisions investigated by OSPS	22	
Total Collisions:	(34)	

The most prevalent collisions this month are linked to inattentive driving and failing to yield.

Community Services Office Report – April 2015

Operational:

- In April Constable Dazé hosted the graduating ceremony for the Auxiliary Unit new recruits
 - The CSO has been working on planning and organizing events for Police Week 2015. This includes the Chief for a Day competition and the Road Hockey for Radiology Tournament scheduled for May 10th
 - Constable Dazé presented the Community Wellness Model to Command Staff of local Police Services including OPP, West Grey and Hanover. Discussions were held involving the practical roll-out of such an initiative and working together collaboratively
 - Constable Dazé had a meeting with Phyllis Lovell, Executive Director of Bruce Grey Child and Family Services and Dr. Hazel Lynn, Medical Officer of Health for the Grey Bruce Public Health Unit. Constable Dazé provided an overview of the Community Wellness Model and sought a preliminary partnership commitment and letter of support to accompany a grant proposal that was drafted by Inspector Wurfel
 - The CSO was requested to provide a presentation to a seniors group on scams and frauds. Due to scheduling conflicts, PC Hartley was able to facilitate and provide the presentation as requested
 - The Safety Village program was delivered to students at Notre Dame Elementary School
 - The Safe Driving Education program was delivered to students at St. Mary's Secondary School and West Hill Secondary School
 - Constable Dazé attended the Ontario Police College for one week to attend the Media Relations Officer course
- There were no questions regarding Administration.

9. Approval of Operational/Administration Reports

Moved by B. Twaddle, seconded by G. Levine

"That the Operational Report be accepted as presented by Inspector Wurfel and that the Administrations Report be accepted as presented by Inspector MacKinnon." **CARRIED**

10. Chief's Report

Auxiliary Unit

- New Auxiliary's have hit the road. Helped out with our first annual Road Hockey Tournament. This fundraiser for Radio-for-Radiology was a great success.

Budget

- The current 2015 budget is tracking with a surplus now and shows no signs of concern.

Community Services

- The annual Police Week celebrations are taking place this week. The theme of Police Week this year is "Discover Policing" and is an initiative to draw attention to a career in policing. We had our annual Chief for a day yesterday with Brianna Biggins from Dufferin Elementary

being the boss. Today we have our Chiefs citations for outstanding acts of selflessness in our community.

- It is also road safety week and we are paying special attention to the safety of all users of the roadway. Distracted driving is number 1 priority right now as this is a serious issue in Owen Sound.
- One major concern right now is the number of impaired driving incidents involving collisions. The members had added discussion on this increase as it is not related to RIDE but to accidents. A media release has been previously sent out and we are continuing to monitor this issue.
- There were no questions regarding the Chief's report.

12. **Approval of Chief's Report**

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

"That the Chief's report be accepted as Chief Sornberger presented." CARRIED

13. **Other Business**

- There was a brief discussion on traffic safety as well as frauds and scams.
- There was no other business to be discussed.

14. **Motion to Receive Information Package**

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

"That the Board Information Package dated May 14, 2015 be approved as circulated."
CARRIED.

15. **Motion to Adjourn**

Moved by G. Levine

"That the meeting of May 14, 2015 be declared terminated at 9:26 a.m." CARRIED

Next meeting:

Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. O.S.P.S. 2nd Floor Meeting Room