

**Owen Sound Police Services Board  
Public Meeting  
Wednesday, September 23, 2015  
2nd Floor Meeting Room**

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**Public Present:** Mr. Greg Deakin; Vice-President local Grey County Law Association

**Media Present:** C. McCormack; Bayshore Broadcasting

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

**Members Absent:** G. Levine

**Admin. Present:** Chief W. Sornberger and Inspector V. Wurfel

**Admin. Absent:** Inspector S. MacKinnon

**Minutes:** K. Krampien

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1. **Call to Order**

*Chairman declared the Wednesday, September 23, 2015 meeting be called to order at 11:08 a.m. CARRIED*

2. **Approval of Agenda**

*Moved by B. Twaddle, seconded by B. O’Leary  
“That the agenda dated September 23, 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.

- Mr. Deakin appeared before the Board today to discuss establishing a Court Security Committee as required under the PSA. A letter was received from Mr. Deakin September 17, 2015 and included in the Boards information package for review. Mr. Deakin expressed there may be gaps in terms of the stakeholders and participants at the Courthouse who are not part of the plans in dealing with higher end security issues.

Chief on behalf of the Board advised Mr. Deakin that a committee has already been struck and is an issue driven committee. Chief ensured Mr. Deakin that although it may have been a misunderstanding an email had been sent to counsel requesting a name to which that communication fell apart. Chief informed Mr. Deakin that there are no issues

with including defense counsel on this committee. Chief also confirmed that the Police service has a second larger committee which involves community agencies that looks at broader issues such as emergency/evacuation plans; these are reviewed annually.

At present, there are no issues at the Courthouse or upcoming meetings however Inspector Wurfel will attempt to get future dates and inform Mr. Deakin.

Chairman thanked Mr. Deakin for attending the meeting today.

Mr. Deakin was dismissed from the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

***Moved by I. Boddy, seconded by B. Twaddle***

*“That the minutes dated May 14, 2015 be approved as distributed.”* **CARRIED**

6. Business arising out of the minutes dated May 14, 2015 Public Meeting.  
**HEARING NONE.**

7. **Operational Report**

**Platoon Enforcement Statistics – June 2015**

<b><u>Platoon #1 – 4</u></b>	<b><u>Part-time</u></b>
<b>Highway Traffic Act: 103 (includes CAIA)</b>	<b>Highway Traffic Act: 16 (includes CAIA)</b>
<b>Compliance Reports: 36</b>	<b>Compliance Reports: 1</b>
<b>Recorded Cautions: 62</b>	<b>Recorded Cautions: 59</b>
<b>Liquor Licence Act: 13</b>	<b>Other POA/By-Law: 1</b>
<b>Criminal Code/ CDSA: 112</b>	<b>Foot Patrol (Downtown): 25.5</b>
<b>Other POA/By-Law: 13</b>	<b>Foot Patrol (High Schools): 3</b>
<b>Foot Patrol (Downtown): 137.75</b>	<b>Shits Worked: 26</b>
<b>Foot Patrol (High Schools): 10</b>	

**R.I.D.E.**

There were a total of 15 on-duty R.I.D.E. checks in June. Of the on-duty RIDE checks, Sgt. Kielb’s platoon (# 1) conducted 4; Sgt. Green’s platoon (# 2) conducted 5; Sgt. Baker’s platoon (# 3) conducted 2; and A/Sgt. Suchomel’s platoon (# 4) conducted 4.

The combined statistics were:

**On Duty R.I.D.E.**

- 30 officers,
- 13.5 hours,
- 509 drivers checked,
- 19 HTA charge/cautions

- 0 Compliance Reports
- 0 Roadside test
- 0 Impaired Driving/ Over 80 charge

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

**Platoon Enforcement Statistics – July 2015**

<b><u>Platoon #1 – 4</u></b>		<b><u>Part-time</u></b>	
Highway Traffic Act: (includes CAIA)	118	Highway Traffic Act: (includes CAIA)	47
S.T.E.P. charges/warnings	47	S.T.E.P. charges/warnings	09
Compliance Reports:	45	Compliance Reports:	01
Recorded Cautions:	83	Recorded Cautions:	23
Liquor Licence Act:	19	Other POA/By-Law:	-
Criminal Code/ CDSA:	70	Foot Patrol (Downtown):	30.25
Other POA/By-Law:	11	Foot Patrol (High Schools):	-
Foot Patrol (Downtown):	148	Shits Worked:	25

**R.I.D.E.**

There were a total of 18 on-duty R.I.D.E. checks in July. Of the on-duty RIDE checks, Sgt. Kielb’s platoon (# 1) conducted 5; Sgt. Green’s platoon (# 2) conducted 3; Sgt. Baker’s platoon (# 3) conducted 7; and A/Sgt. Suchomel’s platoon (# 4) conducted 4.

The combined statistics were:

**On Duty R.I.D.E.**

- 38 officers,
- 18.5 hours,
- 763 drivers checked,
- 12 HTA charge/cautions
- 2 Compliance Reports
- 0 Roadside test
- 0 Impaired Driving/ Over 80 charge

There were four provincially funded overtime R.I.D.E. checks conducted in July.

**Provincially Funded R.I.D.E.**

- 14 officers,
- 16 hours,
- 1813 drivers checked,
- 31 HTA charge/cautions
- 2 CAIA (Insurance)
- 2 charges under CDSA (drugs)

## S.T.E.P.

The July S.T.E.P. initiative focused on offences in the downtown sections of 10<sup>th</sup> Street, in relation to motorists failing to clear signaled intersections (blocking traffic) and failing to yield to pedestrians. The S.T.E.P. was designed to assist with the excess traffic flow experienced in the summer months, which is further impacted by the 8<sup>th</sup> Street hill closure. In addition, the initiative is aimed toward improving pedestrian safety.

All platoons and part-time traffic participated in the S.T.E.P. initiative. A total of 56 S.T.E.P. related charges were issued.

### Platoon Enforcement Statistics – August 2015

<u>Platoon #1 – 4</u>		<u>Part-time</u>	
Highway Traffic Act: (includes CAIA)	95	Highway Traffic Act: (includes CAIA)	31
S.T.E.P. charges/warnings	11	S.T.E.P. charges/warnings	-
Compliance Reports:	28	Compliance Reports:	02
Recorded Cautions:	59	Recorded Cautions:	28
Liquor Licence Act:	18	Other POA/By-Law:	-
Criminal Code/ CDSA:	84	Foot Patrol (Downtown):	22
Other POA/By-Law:	05	Foot Patrol (High Schools):	-
Foot Patrol (Downtown):	125.27	Shits Worked:	22
Foot Patrol (High Schools):			

## R.I.D.E.

There were a total of 16 on-duty R.I.D.E. checks in August. Of the on-duty RIDE checks, Sgt. Kielb's platoon (# 1) conducted 2; Sgt. Green's platoon (# 2) conducted 3; Sgt. Baker's platoon (# 3) conducted 5; and A/Sgt. Suchomel's platoon (# 4) conducted 7.

The combined statistics were:

### On Duty R.I.D.E.

- 32 officers,
- 14.5 hours,
- 853 drivers checked,
- 14 HTA charge/cautions
- 1 LLA charge
- 1 Roadside test
- 1 Impaired Driving/ Over 80 charge
- 1 other Criminal Code Charge.

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

## **S.T.E.P.**

The August S.T.E.P. initiative continued with a focus on offences in the downtown sections of 10<sup>th</sup> Street, in relation to motorists failing to clear signaled intersections (blocking traffic) and failing to yield to pedestrians. The S.T.E.P. was designed to assist with the excess traffic flow experienced in the summer months, which is further impacted by the 8<sup>th</sup> Street hill closure. In addition, the initiative is aimed toward improving pedestrian safety.

All platoons and part-time traffic participated in the S.T.E.P. initiative. A total of 11 S.T.E.P. related charges were issued.

## **Auxiliary Report**

### **Operations:**

In June 2015, the Auxiliary Unit contributed 183 hours. Our top members this month were Kaitlyn Patchell and Thomas Harris.

In July 2015, the Auxiliary Unit contributed 149.5 hours. Our top member this month was Kaitlyn Patchell.

In August 2015, the Auxiliary Unit contributed 245 hours. Our top members this month were Jason Helm, Kaitlyn Patchell and Thomas Harris.

### **Community Events:**

The Auxiliary Unit participated in several events during the month of June. The Auxiliary Unit attended with Constable Dazé to the Seniors Fair and provided education in relation to safe driving and frauds and scams. The Auxiliary Unit also operated the Child Find Booth for the Pan Am Games torch run celebration at the Bayshore. On Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup> the Auxiliary Unit attended the annual Keystone Family Fun Day at Kelso Beach. The Auxiliary Unit set up the safety village jeeps and put OSPS tattoos on children.

The Auxiliary Unit participated in two major events during the month of July. The Unit attended the Canada Day celebrations at Kelso Beach and had a successful turn out for their "Radar Run" and OSPS Tattooing. The Auxiliary also operated a Child Find booth for the duration of the fireworks display. The second event of the month was the DIA's Hottest Yard Sale Under the Sun. The Auxiliary Unit, in addition to tattooing, used the new CSO ball throw radar. This was very popular with children and their parents.

The Auxiliary Unit participated in two major events during the month of August. On August 20<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary members attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Skate Park Jam where they interacted with the attending youth, handed out prizes and ran the OSPS BBQ.

On August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Auxiliary members attended Kids Day at the Owen Sound Salmon Derby. Members ran a baseball pitch radar game and gave away tickets to two Owen Sound Attack exhibition games. They also gave away tattoos and OSPS helium filled balloons.

### **Staffing:**

Auxiliary Sergeant Brown remains inactive from patrol and community events due to pregnancy with a due date in September. Three other members also have reduced hours due to the recent

birth of a child (all under 6 months old). This decreased activity from four members has impacted upon the monthly hour contributions in total.

- There were no questions regarding Operations.

## 8. Administration Report

### June 2015 – Accident Statistics

#### Summary:

<b>Total Collisions:</b>	<b>(44)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Collisions - East side Owen Sound	20	
Collisions - West side Owen Sound	7	
Collisions - parking lots	17	Including 3 FTR below
Fail to Remain Collisions	4	
<b>Collisions referred to CRC</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Collisions investigated by OSPS</b>	<b>29</b>	
<b>Total Collisions:</b>	<b>(44)</b>	

The most prevalent collisions this month are linked to inattentiveness (i.e. improper lane change; fail to yield) by the drivers.

### July 2015 – Accident Statistics

#### Summary:

<b>Total Collisions:</b>	<b>(48)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Collisions - East side Owen Sound	16	
Collisions - West side Owen Sound	15	
Collisions - parking lots	17	Including 3 FTR below
Fail to Remain Collisions	5	
<b>Collisions referred to CRC</b>	<b>18</b>	
<b>Collisions investigated by OSPS</b>	<b>30</b>	
<b>Total Collisions:</b>	<b>(48)</b>	

The most prevalent collisions this month are linked to inattentiveness (i.e. improper lane change; fail to yield) by the drivers.

**August 2015 – Accident Statistics**

**Summary:**

<b>Total Collisions:</b>	<b>(38)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Collisions - East side Owen Sound	20	
Collisions - West side Owen Sound	07	
Collisions - parking lots	11	Including 02 FTR below
Fail to Remain Collisions	04	
<b>Collisions referred to CRC</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Collisions investigated by OSPS</b>	<b>23</b>	
<b>Total Collisions:</b>	<b>(38)</b>	

The most prevalent collisions this month are linked to inattentiveness (i.e. improper turns; fail to yield) by the drivers.

**Community Services Office Report – June 2015**

**Operational:**

- Attended the Seniors Fair and distributed information regarding safe driving and scams/frauds
- Presented the Community Wellness Model to several key social agencies throughout Grey and Bruce
- Assisted with answering phones to take donations for the Radio for Radiology Campaign and also presented The Dock with a cheque for the campaign in the amount of \$2300.00 (proceeds from the Road Hockey for Radiology Tournament)
- Assisted with traffic control for Pan Am Games torch run
- Conducted a bike rodeo for the primary grades at Bayview Elementary School
- Attended Dufferin Elementary to have a Pizza Party for the “Chief for a Day – class reward”
- Met with the DIA to discuss the Auxiliary Unit participating in the Hottest Street Sale
- Met with Austin Graphics to review the KIDS Workbook and redesign in accordance with recommendations made by the instructors following its first year implementation
- STOP Student Zoe Zettel commenced her summer employment position with the CSO. Zoe is going into her 3<sup>rd</sup> year at Nipissing University, Criminal Justice Program
- Conducted YIPI student interviews
- Attended one day seminar and the community launch of a guide about children endangered by living in an environment with drugs; hosted by BGCFS

- Continued in the organization of the Cufflinks tournament, including meetings with several business owners to encourage a community partnership and secure sponsorships

### **Community Services Office Report – July 2015**

#### **Operational:**

- Attended Canada Day celebrations at Kelso Beach
- Attended Hottest Yard Sale Under the Sun
- Provided a seniors fraud and scam presentation to Kelso Villa
- Attended local Lacrosse and Soccer camps to interact with them through use of the sports radar
- Two summer YIPI students commenced employment:  
Bryden Thalen – Grade 11 student at St. Mary’s  
Amanda Jarl – Grade 12 student at West Hill  
\*Both will be working closely with the STOP Student Zoe Zettel who started in June
- Commenced review of KIDS Workbook and Instructor Power Point guide
- Continued working on the Cufflinks tournament including meeting with many community stakeholders in relation to event sponsorship
- Assist with STOP and YIPI students in planning the Skate Park Event
- The following are activities that have been conducted by the summer students during July:
  - OSPS orientation and completion of AODA training
  - Planning, marketing and organization of 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Skate Park Jam
  - Multiple visits to Harrison Park, interacting with youth groups and setting up OSPS games such as the ball throw radar
  - Visits to many of the local daycamps and youth groups to bring them presentations on bullying, Buster appearances, anti-bullying crafts, stories and games

#### **Planned Events:**

Cufflinks - The CSO continues to work on the planning of the Cufflinks golf tournament. This fundraiser for the local Special Olympics and the KIDS Program is an annual event for our Police Service. This tournament, not traditionally organized by the CSO, has been renewed with new ideas in hopes of creating a tournament that will become a preeminent event in a competitive golf fundraising tournament market.

The tournament is scheduled for September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Skate Park Jam – This event organized by the summer students with the assistance of the CSO is into its’ second annual. Building upon the success of 2014, which saw over 200 people attend, the summer students have aggressively pursued additional supports for prizes and partnerships. In addition to many more prizes for participants, the event will also feature “graffiti your gear”. Partnering with a local artist, who has been involved in creating various City murals, youth will have the opportunity to “graffiti” their own equipment and also contribute to a larger piece of art that will be the sole work of our youth.

The Skate Park event is scheduled for August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015



## Equipment:

The CSO has purchased a sports radar, baseball net (catches thrown baseballs), and a hockey net. This new equipment allows the CSO to connect with the public through the use of a sports radar. This radar measures the speed of a thrown or kicked ball or a hockey puck being shot into the net. The speed is displayed on a screen for the participant to observe. During the month of July this equipment was deployed at several events and has proven to be extremely popular to both children and adults alike.

## **Community Services Office Report – August 2015**

### **Operational:**

- Attended Four Seasons seniors home to provide Fraud and Scam presentation
  - Completed redesign of KIDS Program workbook
  - Completed design of KIDS Program instructor presentation guidelines and in-class presentation material
  - Continued planning the Cufflinks fundraising golf tournament in support of the Special Olympics and KIDS Program
  - Attended the KIDS Day at the Salmon Derby
  - Planned and executed the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Skate Park Jam:
    - the August 20<sup>th</sup> event again attracted over 200 people
    - 3 bikes were given away courtesy of Canadian Tire, Owen Sound
    - many additional prizes were given away with the support of Vertical Owen Sound and Macs Milk
    - the event also had free giveaways from skateboarding and bike companies who sent prizes from as far away as California
    - this year also featured an opportunity for local youths to “Graffiti their Gear” and also create an original youth graffiti style art piece. This youth inspired art piece is now on display permanently at the skate park
  - The end of August was the conclusion of the summer work term for our three summer students. All three students did a tremendous job and were great representatives of the Owen Sound Police Service. On behalf of the Service, PC. Dazé thanked Zoe Zettel, Amanda Jarl and Bryden Thalen and wished them the best for the future.
- There were no questions regarding Administration.

### 9. **Approval of Operational/Administration Reports**

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

***“That the Operational Report and Administrations Report be accepted as presented by Inspector Wurfel.” CARRIED***

### 10. **Chief’s Report**

#### **Budget**

- The current 2015 budget is tracking slightly over right now but we are looking at ensuring we come in at the target rate. Areas that have impacted the budget are overtime due to the Homicide and Arson investigations. Civilian staffing is also over budget.

## **Community Services**

- The annual Cufflinks golf tournament was held last week and it was an excellent event even if we did get a little wet early on.
- A barbecue was held in August in Support of the victims of the arson and t-shirts (approx. 500) were sold with #owensoundstrong printed on them. We raised in excess of \$8,000.00. We couldn't have done it without the assistance of National Grocers on 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. E.

I want to thank the community for their warm wishes and outpouring of support for the Service during the arson investigation. The cards, letters, pictures and treats that were dropped off were very much appreciated. Chief is very proud of and thanks all the members of the service for a great job.

- It has been a very busy season with a huge influx in traffic on 10<sup>th</sup> Street due in part to the closure of 8<sup>th</sup> Street. The S.T.E.P. initiatives helped in this area.
- There were no questions regarding the Chief's report.

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

***Moved by B. O'Leary, seconded B. Twaddle***

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

### 13. **Other Business**

- On behalf of the entire Board the Chairman extended thanks to the Chief and all members of the service for the tremendous efforts in response to the recent fires.
- 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 September 23, 2015 be approved as circulated."* **CARRIED.**

### 15. **Motion to Adjourn**

***Moved by B. Twaddle***

*"That the meeting of September 23, 2015 be declared terminated at 11:27 a.m."* **CARRIED**

***Next meeting:***

***Wednesday, November 25, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. O.S.P.S. 2nd Floor Meeting Room***