



Minutes

Police Services Board

Township of the North Shore

Thursday, July 27th, 2023

4 p.m.

Electronic Meeting

This meeting is being held in a Hybrid setting. Attendees may choose to attend via ZOOM or in person in the Municipal Office Council Chambers located at 1385 Highway 17, Algoma Mills.

ATTENDANCE

Chair	Councillor Tracey Simon
Member	Heather Pelky
Staff:	Clerk/Board Secretary Rachel Schneider
OPP:	Acting Staff Sergeant/Operations Manager Sue Gordon

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by the Chair

DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None were declared.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Moved by: Heather Pelky

Seconded by: Tracey Simon

RESOLVED that the Police Services Board agenda be approved as presented.

“CARRIED”

MINUTES

Moved by: Heather Pelky

Seconded by: Tracey Simon

RESOLVED that the minutes of the May 4th, 2022, Police Services Board meeting be approved as circulated.

“CARRIED”

CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTING/INFORMATION

a) OPP Calls for Service and Billing Summary Reports – April, May, June 2023 and Police Service Board Integrated Court Offense Network Report –March, April 2023

Acting Staff Sergeant/Operations Manager Gordon explained that everything is on track for this time of year – there has been an ongoing spike in trespass to property and neighbour disputes but other than that there are no significant changes, and it has been a good summer so far across the board.

There was an incident with a large amount of stolen property – the property has been recovered and the OPP have been able to return the stolen property. The appropriate arrests were made, and it was a well-done investigation.

The OPP have been approved for Auxiliary Officers:

- 5 in Blind River
- 5 in Thessalon
- 5 in Elliot Lake

Qualification include being 18+, with a grade 12 or higher education, G license.

An Auxiliary Officer is not a Police Officer – it is a volunteer position that is a good way to see if policing interests you and to possibly get your foot in the door. The Auxiliary Officer can be utilized for community events and public appearances to advertise the OPP and are brought on ride-alongs with Officers – there is always a Police Officer with the Auxiliary Officer. There are minimum hours needed per month in volunteering, 2 weeks of training provided for the position.

The OPP will be attending the Township of The North Shore Municipal office on August 8th as part of an AGCO presentation for the 50th Anniversary Celebration. The OPP also plan to do drive-bys, ride checks, and have a marine unit out during the 50th Anniversary event.

On August 21st, 2023, Rob Walsh was promoted to Inspector for Manitoulan effective immediately. Sue Gordon is staying in the position for now, but is retiring December 31st, 2023, after 31 years of policing services.

The OPP are still looking for recruit in Elliot Lake and Thessalon, they have accepted a new experienced Officer in Elliot Lake, another experienced Officer is heading to Elliot Lake.

b) Reschedule November 30th, 2023, meeting to October 27th, 2023

Moved By: Heather Pelky

Seconded By: Tracey Simon

RESOLVED: That the next regular meeting of the Police Services Board be changed from November 30th, 2023, to the new date of October 26th, 2023, at 4:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: Heather Pelky

Seconded By: Tracey Simon

RESOLVED: That the next regular meeting of the Police Services Board be held on October 26th, 2023, at 4 p.m. or at the call of the Chair and that the meeting be adjourned at 4:19 pm.

Tracey Simon, Chair

Rachel Schneider, Clerk/Board Secretary