

MINUTES

of the

REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK POLICE SERVICES BOARD

September 23, 2009

The Board continued its meeting of September 23, 2009 in Committee Room A, York Region Administrative Centre, 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, Ontario on the above-noted date at 1:12 p.m. in Public Session.

Members Present:

D. Wheeler, Chairman
J. Persechini, Vice-Chairman
B. Fisch, Member
S. Herzog, Member
F. Scarpitti, Member
J. Yu, Member
B. Bartlett, Member

C. Phillipson, Executive Director
M. Pettigrew, Administrative Assistant

Officers Present:

A. P. La Barge, Chief of Police
E. Jolliffe, Deputy Chief of Police
W. Kalinski, Acting Deputy Chief of Police
C. Bishop, Executive Officer to the Chief of Police
M. Holland, Manager, Financial Services
K. Griffin, Manager, Corporate Communications
R. Huber, Manager, Information Technology

Corporate Services:

J. Hulton, Regional Solicitor

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**INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS, ANY OTHER BUSINESS, AND
CONSIDERATION OF PRIVATE ITEMS**

Moved by Mr. Persechini,

Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,

that the following items be added to the agenda of the Public Session of this meeting:

- (a) Human Resources – Recommendations 1 and 2
- (b) Appointment of New Police Officers
- (c) Appointment of Experienced Police Officers
- (d) Appointment of York Regional Police Special Constable
- (e) Appointment of York Region Transit Special Constable

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF JUNE 24, 2009

Moved by Mrs. Bartlett,

Seconded by Mr. Persechini,

CARRIED

that the minutes for the Public Session of the meeting held on June 23, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

257 **VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN**

Superintendent Paul Pedersen, Sergeant Christina Baker, Integrated Domestic Violence Unit, and Vivien Green, Victim Services of York Region outlined trends on Violence Against Women. A victim of domestic violence will experience an average of 35 assaults before calling police, and only 37% of these assaults are reported. One in five Canadian homicides involve the killing of an intimate partner. In York Region, 19 women have been murdered in the past 13 years. York Regional Police officers in the Integrated Domestic Violence Unit focus on prevention, conduct investigations and work collaboratively with Victim Services of York Region, Women's Support Network, Yellow Brick House, Sandgate, York Central Hospital and other community partners to support victims of violence. The presenters urged everyone to be vigilant to the signs of abuse and to support victims by accompanying them in their efforts to get help.

*Moved by Mr. Fisch,
Seconded by Mr. Scarpitti,
that the presentation be received.*

CARRIED

258 Connie Phillipson, Executive Director, presented the newly designed Police Services Board website which highlights Board Members and their responsibilities and provides easy access to public interest agendas, presentations, minutes, resolutions, and media releases. Mrs. Phillipson extended her appreciation to Ron Huber, Manager, Information Technology for his assistance over the years and to Steve Shen, Application Programmer, for his technical and creative expertise in designing the site.

*Moved by Mr. Scarpitti,
Seconded by Mr. Persechini,
that the presentation be received.*

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS

259 The Honourable Rob Nicholson, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, June 23, 2009, concerning the Board's resolution on Forfeited Offence-Related Property/Proceeds of Crime/Civil Remedies for Illicit Activities.

*Moved by Mr. Fisch,
Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,
that the communication be received; and
that the Board forward its resolution on Forfeited Offence-Related
Property/Proceeds of Crime/Civil Remedies for Illicit Activities to the Honourable
Chris Bentley, Attorney General of Ontario, and express its view that Police*

Services in Ontario should receive a larger portion of the shared proceeds from the federal government in order to help offset the Board's policing costs.

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

- 260 Rick Bartolucci, MPP, Sudbury, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, June 29, 2009, concerning the Board's resolutions on the Provincial Anti-Violence Intervention Strategy (PAVIS) and Federal Funding: 2500 Police Officers.

*Moved by Mrs. Bartlett,
Seconded by Mr. Herzog,
that the communication be received.*

CARRIED

- 261 Dave Paradis, Branch Manager, York Region Branch, St. John Ambulance, August 6, 2009, inviting the Board to sponsor a table of heroes at the St. John Ambulance Black and White Gala Ball in the City of Vaughan on October 23, 2009.

*Moved by Mr. Scarpitti,
Seconded by Mr. Fisch,
that the communication be received; and
that the Board approve the purchase of a Heroes Sponsorship for \$2,500.*

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

- 262 Peter Cuthbert, Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police, September 1, 2009, regarding the Board's resolution on Federal Funding: 2500 Police Officers.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Ms. Yu,
that the communication be received.*

CARRIED

- 263 **DEPUTATION**

Mr. Attila L. Vinczer spoke during the question and answer period following the presentation on Violence Against Women and therefore there was no need for a deputation.

*Moved by Mr. Fisch,
Seconded by Mr. Persechini,
that the request for deputation dated September 15, 2009 be received; and
that the request for deputation be denied.*

CARRIED

REPORTS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

264 **Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics: 2008
National/Provincial Crime Statistics Rankings and Crime Severity Index Overview**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report pursuant to Police Services Board Crime, Call and Public Disorder Analysis Policy No. 00/02-5.

Moved by Mr. Fisch,

Seconded by Mr. Persechini,

*that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one contained therein be adopted; and
that this report be posted on the Board's website.*

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

265 **2009 Semi-Annual Statistics**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report pursuant to Police Services Board Crime, Call and Public Disorder Analysis Policy No. 00/02-5.

Moved by Ms Yu,

Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one (1) contained therein be adopted,

CARRIED

266 **Update on the Construction of the Investigative Services and Support Services Facility**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report.

Moved by Mr. Persechini,

Seconded by Mr. Herzog,

that the Report of the Chief of Police and the presentation by the Manager of Capital Projects be received, and that recommendation one (1) contained in the report of the Chief of Police be adopted.

CARRIED

267 **Semi-Annual Report on Public Complaints**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report pursuant to Section 31(1)(j) of the *Police Services Act*, Board By-Law No. 06-04 respecting the Administration of the Complaints System under Part V of the *Police Services Act*, and York Regional Police Procedure AI-311 re Public Complaints.

Moved by Mr. Persechini,

Seconded by Ms Yu,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one (1) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

268 **Inquest into the Death of Evan Arnold Jury Verdict and Recommendations**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report.

Moved by Mr. Fisch,

Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one (1) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

269 **Audit of 2008 Financial Statements**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report.

Moved by Mr. Persechini,

Seconded by Mr. Herzog,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one (1) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

270 **Financial Statements for the Period Ending August 31, 2009**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive the Financial Statements for the eight-month period ending August 31, 2009, pursuant to Police Services Board Policy No. 01/05.

Moved by Mr. Fisch,

Seconded by Mr. Persechini,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one (1) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

271 **Donations in Excess of \$5,000**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board approve the donation of \$30,000 from the Estate of Alieda Kryna Sullivan (Lydia Sullivan) to the York Regional Police Canine Unit pursuant to

Police Services Board Public Donations Policy No. 02/01; and
2. That the Board approve the donation of \$11,800 from the Uplands Foundation to the York Regional Police Underwater Recovery Unit for the purchase of a portable dive shelter pursuant to Police Services Board Public Donations Policy No. 02/01.

Moved by Mrs. Bartlett,

Seconded by Ms Yu,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendations one (1) and two (2) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

272 **Request for Use of York Regional Police Crest**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board approve the use of the York Regional Police crest pursuant to Procedure AI-020 - Use and Copying of Copyrighted Material by the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) York Region Chapter; and
2. That the Executive Director communicate the decision of the Board to the MADD York Region Chapter Vice-President, Ms Rena Passas.

Moved by Mr. Fisch,

Seconded by Mr. Persechini,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendations one (1) and two (2) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

273 **Delegation of Authority – Public**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report pursuant to Police Services Board Delegation of Signing Authority – Chief of Police Policy No. 07/04.

Moved by Mr. Scarpitti,

Seconded by Mr. Herzog,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one

(1) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

274 **Canadian Association of Police Boards Conference**

The Board had before it a Report of the Executive Director recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report in accordance with its Conference Attendance and Travel Expense Policy No. 04/00.

Moved by Mr. Scarpitti,

Seconded by Mr. Fisch,

that the Report of the Executive Director be received and that recommendation one (1) contained therein be adopted; and that the Executive Director be requested to report back to the Board with a report outlining the issues involved in co-hosting a future national conference with the Canadian Association of Police Boards in York Region.

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

275 **2010 Schedule of Board Meetings and Public Interest Agenda**

The Board had before it a Report of the Executive Director recommending:

1. That the Board approve the proposed schedule of meetings and public interest agenda for 2010.

Moved by Mr. Persechini,

Seconded by Ms Yu,

that the Report of the Executive Director be received and that recommendation one (1) contained therein be adopted, subject to amending the date of the October meeting to October 20, 2010.

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

276 **Public Relations Reserve Fund**

The Board had before it a Report of the Executive Director recommending:

1. That the Board receive this semi-annual report in accordance with its Public Relations Reserve Fund Policy No. 08/08.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Ms Yu,
that the Report of the Executive Director be received and that recommendation
one (1) contained therein be adopted.*

CARRIED

CONSIDERATION OF ADDENDUM AND PRIVATE ITEMS

277 **Sergeant or Detective and Staff Sergeant or Detective Sergeant Promotions**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board receive this report.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,
that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one
(1) contained therein be adopted.*

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

278 **Human Resources**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board appoint six civilians, pursuant to Section 31(1)(a) of the *Police Services Act*, and
2. That the Board reclassify 29 officers pursuant to the 2009 Uniform Working Agreement.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,
that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendations
one (1) and two (2) contained therein be adopted.*

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

279 **Appointment of New Police Officers**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board appoint 29 new individuals as Cadets-in-Training, effective August 10, 2009, pursuant to Section 51(1) of the *Police Services Act*.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,
that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one
(1) contained therein be adopted.*

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

280 **Appointment of Experienced Police Officers**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board appoint one experienced officer, effective July 24, 2009, pursuant to Section 31(1)(a) of the *Police Services Act*; and
2. That the Board appoint three experienced officers, effective September 18, 2009, pursuant to Section 31(1)(a) of the *Police Services Act*.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,
that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendations
one (1) and two (2) contained therein be adopted.*

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

281 **Appointment of York Regional Police Special Constable**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board authorize the appointment of one York Regional Police Special Constable for a further five-year period effective September 23, 2009, pursuant to Section 53(1) of the *Police Services Act*.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,
that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one
(1) contained therein be adopted.*

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

282 **Appointment of York Region Transit Special Constables**

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

1. That the Board authorize the appointments of two York Region Transit Special Constables within York Region for a five-year period effective June 5, 2009, pursuant to Section 53(1) of the *Police Services Act*.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,
that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendation one
(1) contained therein be adopted.*

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

283 **APPRECIATION TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

*Moved by Mr. Scarpitti,
Seconded by Mr. Herzog,*

that the Board express its appreciation to Connie Phillipson for her almost 10 years of dedicated service to the Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board and wish her well in her future endeavours.

Individual Board Members paid tribute to their first Executive Director.

CARRIED

284 **By-Law No. 07-09**

The Board had before it By-Law No. 07-09. The By-Law is necessary to confirm the proceedings of the Board at this meeting.

*Moved by Mr. Fisch,
Seconded by Mrs. Bartlett,*

that By-Law No.07-09, being "a By-Law confirming the proceedings of the Board at this meeting," be read and enacted.

By-Law No. 07-09 was read and enacted as follows:

"To confirm the proceedings of the Board at this meeting".

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

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*Moved by Mr. Fisch,
Seconded by Ms Yu,*

that the public session of the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The public session of the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Connie Phillipson
Executive Director

Danny Wheeler
Chairman