



Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board

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MINUTES

of the

REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK POLICE SERVICES BOARD

June 29, 2006

The Board continued its meeting of June 29, 2006 in Committee Room A, York Region Administrative Centre, 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, Ontario on the above-noted date at 1:05 p.m. in Public Session.

Members Present:

D. Barrow, Chair
D. Wheeler, Vice-Chair
A. M. Malik, Member
B. Munro, Member
D. Wai, Member

C. Phillipson, Executive Director
E. Stevenson, Committee Co-ordinator

Officers Present:

A. P. La Barge, Chief of Police
B. Herridge, Deputy Chief
E. Jolliffe, Deputy Chief
K. Griffin, Manager of Corporate Communications
M. Holland, Manager of Financial Services
K. Noakes, Executive Officer to the Chief of Police
R. Zaied, Manager of Legal Services

Corporate Services:

S. Duffy, Associate Counsel, Labour & Litigation

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

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REAPPOINTMENT OF JOE PERSECHINI

Chair David Barrow extended congratulations to Mr. Joe Persechini on his reappointment to the Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board for a three-year term effective June 7, 2006. (*Also, see Minute #223.*)

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Human Resource Report

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

- (1) the Board appoint the new civilian hires as indicated;
- (2) the Board reclassify the officers as noted in accordance with the provisions of the current Working Agreement;
- (3) the Board accept the retirement as indicated; and
- (4) the Board accept the termination as indicated.

Moved by Mr. Malik,

Seconded by Mrs. Munro,

that the Chief of Police Report be received and that recommendations one (1), two (2) three (3) and four (4) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

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Appointment of Experienced Officers

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

- (1) the Board appoint the following Experienced Officers, effective June 26, 2006:

Maik Ahrens

Terri Sloss

Robert Healey

Suzanne Fecteau

Sean Winzar

John Fenchak

Amber Goold

Geoffrey Allain

Gregory Whyte

Biaggio Romita

Douglas Searle

Moved by Mr. Malik,

Seconded by Mrs. Munro,

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

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Resignations – Auxiliary

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

- (1) the Board accept the resignation of Auxiliary Sergeant Don Alland #2178 as of June 30, 2006, Auxiliary Constable Farida Oosman #2256 as of May 17, 2006 and Auxiliary Constable Phil Thomas #2114 as of May 27, 2006, and

- (2) the Board notify the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services of these resignations.

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police: Executive Director

216 **Course Reimbursements**

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

- (1) the Board reimburse members for the costs associated with approved courses identified in the attached Appendix – Recommended Course Approvals, subject to proof of successful completion, as required in either the Senior Officers', Uniform or Civilian Working Agreements and the Board's Course Reimbursement Policy; and
- (2) the Board not approve reimbursement for courses identified in the attached Appendix – Courses Not Recommended, on the grounds that the course would not be beneficial to the police service.

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

217 **Assignment of Public Complaint Investigation**

*Moved by Mr. Malik,
Seconded by Mrs. Munro,
that the Chief of Police Report be received;*

AND FURTHER, that the Chief of Police be authorized to request that the Ottawa Police Service conduct an investigation into a public complaint in accordance with section 64(2) of the Police Services Act and notify the necessary authorities of this action;

AND FURTHER, that this recommendation be made public in the June 29, 2006 Public Session meeting.

CARRIED

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Action: Chief of Police

218 **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

No member of the Board declared an interest in any item on the adopted agenda for the Public Session of this meeting.

219 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mrs. Munro,
that the minutes for the Public Session of the meeting held on May 31, 2006
be adopted.*

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

220 **2006 Bob Hartwell Runners' Challenge**

Mr. Fred Defina, Race Director, made a presentation to Chief Armand P. LaBarge in appreciation of the participation of the York Regional Police at the 2006 Bob Hartwell Runners' Challenge. He advised that a total of \$17,000.00 was raised and that 885 runners and 300 volunteers had participated in the event.

221 **Badge Presentation to Inspector Anthony Cusimano Badge #378**

Chief of Police Armand P. La Barge made a badge presentation to Inspector Anthony Cusimano Badge #378 on his promotion to Superintendent. (*Also, see Minute #227.*)

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

CARRIED

222 **Presentation on Traffic Enforcement and Road Safety**

Superintendent Brad Law, Staff Sergeant Chris Bullen and Sergeant David Mitchell provided a comprehensive overview of the Traffic Bureau, traffic safety statistics, R.I.D.E. and E.R.A.S.E. initiatives, community partnerships and the 2006 traffic safety campaign.

The Chair acknowledged the following people during the question and answer period and thanked everyone for their attendance and participation:

Markham Ward Councillor Stan Daurio, King Township Ward Councillor Linda Pabst, Richmond Hill Councillor Vito Spatafora, Town of Georgina Mayor Rob

Grossi, Newmarket Ward Councillor Larry Blight, and East Gwillimbury Councillor Cathy Morton.

*Moved by Mrs. Wai,
Seconded by Mr. Wheeler,
that the presentation be received with congratulations and thanks.*

CARRIED

The Board recessed at 2:20 p.m. and reconvened at 2:35 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

223 **Reappointment of Mr. Joe Persechini**

The Board had before it a communication (June 27, 2006) from Geraldine Tai, Acting Appointments Officer, Selection Systems and Appointments Unit, Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, advising of the reappointment of Mr. Joseph Persechini as a Member of the Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board for a period of three years effective June 7, 2006.

*Moved by Mrs. Munro,
Seconded by Mrs. Wai,
that the foregoing communication be received.*

CARRIED

224 **Invitation to the Canadian Association of Police Boards Conference in Edmonton, Alberta**

The Board had before it a communication (May 19, 2006) from Lynne Kennedy President, Canadian Association of Police Boards, advising of the Canadian Association of Police Boards Conference in Edmonton, Alberta, August 16 -19, 2006.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mr. Malik,
that the foregoing communication be received and that Board Members advise the Executive Director of their intention to attend.*

CARRIED

Action: Board Members; Executive Director

REPORTS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

225 **Budget Statement for the Period Ending May 31, 2006**

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

- (1) the Board receive the Budget Statement for the five-month period ending May 31, 2006, in accordance with Police Services Board By-Law #04-01.

*Moved by Mr. Wheeler,
Seconded by Mr. Malik,*

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

226 **Audit of the 2005 Budget Statement**

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

- (1) the Board receive this report for its information as requested by Minute #82 from the February 22, 2006 meeting.

*Moved by Mr. Malik,
Seconded by Mrs. Munro,*

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

227 **Annual Statistics**

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

- (1) the contents of this report be received by the Board for its information.

*Moved by Mr. Wheeler,
Seconded by Mr. Malik,*

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

228 **Superintendent Promotion**

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

- (2) the contents of this report be received by the Board for its information.

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mr. Malik,*

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

229 **York Regional Police Crest – Cybertip.ca**

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

- (1) the Board approve the use of the York Regional Police crest on the Cybertip.ca website.

*Moved by Mr. Wheeler,
Seconded by Mr. Malik,*

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

230 **Resolution on Injuring or Killing Law Enforcement Animals**

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

- (1) the Board endorse the following resolution on Injuring or Killing Law Enforcement Animals and forward it to the Canadian Association of Police Boards for consideration at its Annual General Meeting on August 18, 2006.

Resolution

WHEREAS law enforcement animals provide critical functions daily in support of Search and Rescue missions, Community-Oriented Policing, Emergency Response, Public Safety, as well as their role in promoting positive relations between the police and the community;

WHEREAS law enforcement animals, by virtue of their training and duties, are thrust into dangerous situations with no more legal protection than domestic animals;

WHEREAS, the relationship between police officers and their animal-partners is unique, personal and intense;

WHEREAS law enforcement animals continue to be severely injured or killed in the line of duty;

WHEREAS there is no offence in the Criminal Code of Canada for willfully injuring or killing a law enforcement animal;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Canadian Association of Police Boards urge the Minister of Justice to amend the Criminal Code of Canada with respect to cruelty to animals to include a separate offence for persons who poison, injure or kill a law enforcement animal while it is aiding a peace officer engaged in the execution of his or her duties or a person assisting a peace officer.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Canadian Association of Police Boards express its support for the offence provisions outlined in Section 182.7 of Bill C-50.

Moved by Mr. Malik,

Seconded by Mrs. Munro,

that the Executive Director's Report be received and that recommendation one (1) contained therein be adopted;

AND FURTHER, that a copy be forwarded to all York Region M.P.'s, The Honourable Vic Toews, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police and the York Regional Police Association.

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

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By-Law No. 07-06

The Board had before it By-Law #07-06. The By-Law is necessary to confirm the proceedings of the Board at this meeting.

Moved by Mrs. Wai,

Seconded by Mrs. Munro,

that By-Law #07-06, being "a By-Law confirming the proceedings of the Board at this meeting", be introduced, read three (3) times and enacted."

CARRIED

By-Law #07-06 was read and enacted as follows:

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

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ADJOURNMENT

*Moved by Mrs. Munro,
Seconded by Mr. Wheeler,
that the meeting be adjourned.*

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Connie Phillipson
Executive Director

David Barrow
Chair