



Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board

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MINUTES

of the

REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK POLICE SERVICES BOARD

November 23, 2005

The Board continued its meeting of November 23, 2005 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
J. Persechini, 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
J. Gunn, Acting Manager of Legal Services
M. Holland, Manager of Financial Services
K. Noakes, Executive Officer to the Chief of Police

Corporate Services:

D. Kuzmyk, Senior Counsel, Litigation

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COMMENDATIONS

Chair David Barrow and Chief Armand P. La Barge presented commendations to Mr. Reza Rivanshokoo and Police Constable James Morton in recognition of their heroism in rescuing the driver in a motor vehicle collision from his burning car, seconds before it was engulfed in flames on June 19, 2005.

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

*Moved by Mr. Persechini,
Seconded by Mrs. Wai,*

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

*Communication from the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards
(October 26, 2005) regarding OMERS Bill 206.*

CARRIED

403 **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; and
- (3) the Board accept the resignations as indicated.

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

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

404 **Appointment of Experienced Police Officers**

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

- (1) the Board appoint the following Experienced Officers, effective November 7,
2005:

Charles Byham	Mark Hoekstra	Chad Scott
Stuart Coleman	Wade McGhee	

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

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

405 **Appointment of New Police Officers**

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

- (1) the Board appoint the following 11 individuals as Cadets in Training, effective December 5, 2005:

Tracy Collins	Adam McEachern	Barbara Sanders
Jason Ford	Michelle Oke	Chris VandenBos
Gregory Keating	Christopher Perry	Kevin VanderGeest
Robert Martel	Adrian Richardson	

*Moved by Mrs. Munro,
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

406 **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.

407 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

*Moved by Mrs. Wai,
Seconded by Mr. Persechini,
that the minutes for the Public Session of the meeting held on October 26,
2005 be adopted.*

CARRIED

PRESENTATION

408 **Year-End Review**

Chief Armand P. La Barge provided an overview of the organization, the changing environment, perceptions of crime and its reality in York Region, community issues, trends and challenges, strategies and achievements and the York Regional Police commitment for the future. Decreases were noted in violent crime and property crimes and increases in drugs, weapons and fraud. There was a reduction in body rub parlours from 131 in 2003 to 50 in 2005. Overall clearance rates have increased from 44.1% to 55.2% (mid year). Officer diversity has increased to 12.5% and members participate in a number of cultural awareness programs.

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*Moved by Mr. Malik,
Seconded by Mrs. Wai,
that the presentation by Chief Armand P. La Barge be received with
congratulations and thanks.*

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS

409 **Canadian Association of Police Boards –
Organizational Changes and Membership Fees**

The Board had before it a communication (October 19, 2005) from Lynne Kennedy, President, Canadian Association of Police Boards, advising of organizational changes and increases in membership fees effective January 1, 2006.

*Moved by Mr. Wheeler,
Seconded by Mr. Malik,
that the foregoing communication be received;*

AND FURTHER, that the 2006 Membership Fee of \$5,000.00 be approved.

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

410 **Request for Financial Support –
FBI National Academy Associates Training Conference**

The Board had before it a communication (November 3, 2005) from Deputy Chief Kim Derry, Toronto Police Service and Conference Chair, regarding a request for financial assistance toward the FBI National Academy Associates Training Conference to be held in Toronto, July 15 - 19, 2006.

*Moved by Mr. Wheeler,
Seconded by Mr. Persechini,
that the foregoing communication be received;*

AND FURTHER, that Gold Sponsorship in the amount of \$5,000.00 be approved in support of the 2006 FBI National Academy Associates Training Conference.

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

411 **OMERS Bill 206**

The Board had before it a communication (October 26, 2005) regarding OMERS Bill 206 from the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards.

*Moved by Mrs. Wai,
Seconded by Mr. Malik,
that the foregoing communication be received; and*

WHEREAS, the provincial Standing Committee on General Government is

currently debating Bill 206, An Act to revise the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System Act; and

WHEREAS the OMERS pension fund is currently equal to approximately 8% of Ontario's annual GDP; and

WHEREAS the OMERS pension fund serves approximately 900 employers and 355,000 diverse employee groups including: current and former employees of municipal governments; school boards; libraries; police services and fire departments; children's aid societies; and, electricity distribution companies; and

WHEREAS Ontario's municipalities and their employees depend on the prudent management of the \$36 Billion plan and to ensure that employees and employers are paying for benefits they can afford; and

WHEREAS OMERS employer and employee members are facing an increase in OMERS contributions in 2006 of approximately 9% as a result of a significant deficit in the OMERS fund; and

WHEREAS the Bill includes significant, potentially costly and unnecessary changes to the governance structure of OMERS including a Sponsors Corporation structured to be governed by arbitration; and

WHEREAS the Bill would permit the creation of expensive supplemental plans to provide optional enhanced benefits that will impose new collective bargaining obligations on municipalities, the operating costs of which cannot yet be fully assessed; and

WHEREAS the Province has a responsibility to study and fully disclose the potential impact of the changes it is proposing and to share the results with employers and employee groups; and

WHEREAS the OAPSB, AMO and others have urged the government to consider the potential implications of Bill 206 and to ensure the proposed policy changes protect the interests of employers, employees and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS the Government is moving in haste with a Bill, which in its current form raises significant technical, public policy and economic issues;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board does not support Bill 206, and requests that the Government of Ontario reconsider the advisability of proceeding with Bill 206 in its current form; and

FURTHER IT BE RESOLVED THAT Members of Provincial Parliament, York

Region, the Honourable John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Dalton McGinty, Premier of Ontario, and the OAPSB be advised that this Police Services Board does not support proposed changes to the OMERS pension fund contained in Bill 206.

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

REPORTS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

412 **Promotions**

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. 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

413 **Budget Statement For the Period Ending October 31, 2005**

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

- (1) the Board receive the Budget Statement for the ten-month period ending October 31 31, 2005 in accordance with Police Services Board By-Law #04-01.

Moved by Mr. Wheeler,

Seconded by Mrs. Wai,

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

414 **York Regional Police Quality Service Standards**

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

- (1) the Board receive this report for its information.

Moved by Mr. Persechini,

Seconded by Mrs. Wai,

that the Chief of Police Report be received and that recommendation one (1)

contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

415 **Purchase of Defibrillators for the Heart Alive Program**

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

- (1) the Board approve the purchase of 15 LifePak CR Plus Units and Maintenance from Medtronic of Canada Limited at a price not to exceed \$68,677.43, including all applicable taxes.

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

416 **Purchase of 2006 Replacement Police Vehicles**

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

- (1) the Board authorize the purchase of 62, 2006 Ford Crown Victoria police package vehicles from the 2006 Capital Budget at the cost not to exceed \$32,158.60 per unit, all taxes included, for a total cost of \$1,993,833.20 to replace existing vehicles.

Moved by Mr. Wheeler,

Seconded by Mr. Persechini,

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

CARRIED

Action: Chief of Police

417 **Purchase of Portable and Mobile Radios**

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

- (1) the Board authorize the purchase of up to 80 Motorola XTS 2500 Model 1.5 portable radios and ancillary equipment at a value not to exceed \$217,152.22 including taxes; and
- (2) the Board authorize the purchase of up to 25 Motorola Model XTL 2500 mobile radios at a value not to exceed \$101,898.33 including taxes.

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

418 **Mobile Workstation System Communications
and Software Update Solution**

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

- (1) the Board approve the contract for the supply, installation and support of hardware and software required to update the York Regional Police Mobile Workstation System computers in a wireless data environment at a cost not to exceed \$350,000.
- (2) the Chair be authorized to execute the contract subsequent to recommendation 1, subject to prior review by York Region Legal Services.

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

*AND FURTHER, that the authority to approve the contract for the supply,
installation and support of hardware and software required to update the
York Regional Police Mobile Workstation System computers in a wireless
data environment at a cost not to exceed \$350,000 be delegated to Chair
David Barrow;*

*AND FURTHER, that the Chair be requested to provide a report to the
January 25, 2006 Board meeting regarding this matter.*

CARRIED

Action: Chair; Chief of Police

419 **Members Assistance Program
Optional Year Renewal PP03-02**

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

- (1) the Board authorize the Chair to execute the proposed optional year of the existing contract, as approved by the Regional Solicitor's Office, with FGIworld for the continued provision of the Members Assistance Program for the optional twelve month period commencing November 1, 2005.

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: Regional Solicitor; Chair, Chief of Police

420 **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' or Uniform or Civilian Working Agreements and the Board's Course Reimbursement Policy.

*Moved by Mrs. Wai,
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

421 **Remuneration of Board Members Policy**

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

- (1) the Board adopt the attached policy on the remuneration of Board Members.

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

CARRIED

Action: Executive Director

422 **By-Law No. 12-05**

The Board had before it By-Law #12-05. The By-Law is necessary to confirm the proceedings of the Board at this meeting.

*Moved by Mr. Wheeler,
Seconded by Mrs. Wai,
that By-Law #12-05, being "a By-Law confirming the proceedings of the*

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Board at this meeting”, be introduced, read three (3) times and enacted.”

CARRIED

By-Law #12-05 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 Mrs. Wai,
that the meeting be adjourned.*

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Connie Phillipson
Executive Director

David Barrow
Chair