

The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board

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Police Services Board Meeting Highlights April 22, 2015

Volunteer of the Year Award

Chair Frank Scarpitti and Chief Eric Jolliffe presented Ms Laura Payne with the Volunteer of the Year Award for her commitment and dedication as a volunteer with York Regional Police (YRP). Laura has been a volunteer with YRP for over 13 years, serving first as a youth member, then as an adult advisor to the group since 2005. Laura's dedication and commitment to the York Regional Police Venturer Scouts Company is enhanced by her calm and caring personality. Laura's many years of guiding and encouraging youth to make their community a better place is admirable. She is a positive role model both inside and outside of York Regional Police.

Combating Organized Crime in York Region

Chief Eric Jolliffe and his team presented on Combating Organized Crime in York Region.

To view the entire presentation, please click here.

Annual Crime Statistics

Chief Eric Jolliffe reported that the overall crime rate decreased for the eleventh year in a row, dropping 2.9 percent in 2014. The rates for property crimes dropped by 6.8 percent and robbery violations decreased by 21.8 percent. Sexual violations decreased 13.9 percent in 2014 compared to 2013 during the corresponding period. Crimes against property dropped by 6.8 percent; however, hate crimes increased by 42.7 percent. 9-1-1 calls increased by 0.5 percent in 2014. The Region continues to have a low crime rate and consistent high total clearance rate in 2014.

Board supports Sponsorship for the following:

Clubs for Cancer Golf Tournament

The Board approved the purchase of a Bronze sponsorship for the Clubs4Cancer 8th Annual Golf Tournament taking place May 11th, 2015 at Coppinwood Golf Club. Clubs4Cancer was established to generate awareness to Cancer and to commemorate seven young lives that lost their battle to cancer.



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York Region Abuse Program – Hand in Hand Gala

The Board approved the purchase of a corporate table for the YRAP Hand in Hand Gala to be held on May 2nd, 2015. The Gala will raise funds for the York Region Abuse Program which provides assessment and counselling services to children, youth and adults who have experienced Childhood Sexual Abuse.

Women's Centre of York Region – Golf for Change

The Board approved the purchase of a Hole Sponsorship in support of the Women's Centre of York Region 7th Annual "Golf for Change" Tournament to be held on September 10th, 2015 at Pheasant's Run Golf Club. The Women's Centre of York Region is a community benefit organization whose mandate is to help women in York Region to achieve a sustainable livelihood.

Ontario Women in Law Enforcement (OWLE)

The Board purchased a corporate table in support of the 17th Annual OWLE Awards Banquet to be held on May 1, 2015. The Ontario Women in Law Enforcement recognizes the significant contribution of women in law enforcement across Ontario.

Victim Services of York Region

The Board approved sponsorship of the Victim Services of York Region two-day National Victims of Crime Awareness week conference which they are co-hosting. Victim Services of York Region is a non-profit, charitable organization that works in partnership with York Regional Police to provide 24-hour crisis intervention support to persons victimized by crime and tragic circumstances.

Chabad Flamingo Gala Dinner 2015

The Board approved the purchase of a gold table in support of the Chabad Flamingo Gala Dinner taking place June 15, 2015. The funds raised for this annual Gala is used to advance social and education activities, with a special emphasis on programming for both children and seniors.

Next Police Services Board Meeting

The next Police Services Board meeting will be held on WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2015 at the York Region Administrative Centre, 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, in Committee Room A at 1:00 p.m.

For further information please contact Executive Director, Mafalda Avellino at 905-830-4444 extension: 77906 or email: psb@yrp.ca. Please visit the York Regional Police Service Board website by clicking here for a copy of the presentation, Board Reports and Minutes from the Board meeting.

Accessible formats or communication supports are available upon request.