

To Make a Difference in Our Community

# **Board Meeting Highlights**

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# Respect in the Workplace Policy

The Board amended its Respect in the Workplace Policy to reflect changes to the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*. The changes revise the definition of workplace harassment to include workplace sexual harassment, and the new changes also impose new duties on employers to ensure an appropriate investigation is conducted where there is an incident or complaint of harassment. The Chief of Police will be required to report annually to the Board on the review of its processes and on the implementation of the Board's policy.

# 2015 Police Annual Report

The Board received the 2015 York Regional Police Annual Report. The Report profiles the accomplishments from the previous year. It includes a summary of high-profile investigations, information on community engagement and crime prevention programs, a feature on officers and projects, organization and individual awards, statistical reporting and the 2015 Business Plan accomplishments.

# State of Infrastructure Report

The Board received the 2015 State of Infrastructure report for York Regional Police. The report provides detailed information on asset infrastructure and provides an overall assessment of how well York Regional Police assets are achieving their objectives and whether they meet both current and future demands. A grade of A was received for the overall assessment. This assessment reflects capital projects which include the Training Facility being built in the Town of East Gwillimbury and the new #1 District headquarters. The grades are based on reliability, condition and capacity of infrastructure assets including Facilities, Information Technology, Fleet, Telecommunications and specialized equipment.

# **Community Policing Survey**

As part of the 2017-2019 Business Planning process, a community survey was disseminated to the citizens in York Region. Ninety-four percent of the respondents indicated satisfaction with the police. Close to nine in ten respondents thought that they were receiving good value for their tax dollars in terms of policing and 95% of respondents had confidence in York Regional Police. Areas for improvement include more police visibility and more communication with respect to



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online reporting tools and safety information for the public. Top community safety priorities were property crime, traffic safety, violent crimes, fraud and drug control, and top concerns of youth included bullying at school, gang activity and drug trafficking. Please visit www.yrpsb.ca for a copy of all the findings.

#### Women's Centre of York Region Golf Tournament

The Board approved the purchase of a Hole Sponsorship in support of the Women's Centre of York Region 8th Annual "Golf fore Change" Tournament to be held on September 15, 2016 at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Sharon, Ontario. 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.

#### Future ACES Golf Tournament

The Board approved sponsorship of the Annual Herbert Carnegie Future Aces Charity Golf Tournament to be held at the Wyndance Golf Course in Uxbridge, Ontario on July 18, 2016. The Future Aces Foundation is committed to foster self-esteem and ethical behaviour through the application of its creed and to assist youth to attain the highest level of achievement both personally and academically within their capabilities.

#### Next Police Services Board Meeting

The next Police Services Board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 21, 2016** at **9:00 a.m.** Location: York Region Administrative Centre, Committee Room A, 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket. A copy of the agenda with reports will be posted on the Board's website five days before the meeting.

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