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A Quarterly Newsletter from the **York Regional Police Services Board**

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Mayor Virginia Hackson was re-elected as Chair of the Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board. Mayor Hackson has served on the Board since 2012 and as Chair since 2017 and is serving her third term as Mayor of the Town of East Gwillimbury. Under her leadership, the Board has supported important decisions on community safety, advocacy and policing priorities. Mayor Hackson looks forward to ensuring that strong and safe communities and good police governance continue to be the Board's priorities.

The Board re-elected Mr. John Molyneaux as its Vice Chair. Mr. Molyneaux has served on the Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board since November 2010 as a provincial appointee and more recently as a citizen appointment by York Regional Council. Mr. Molyneaux has also served on the Board of Directors for the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards and is committed to advancing community safety in York Region.

Province Appoints New Board Member

Mr. Joshua Cooper was appointed to the Police Services Board by the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario for a three-year term commencing on January 17, 2019.

Mr. Cooper has lived in York Region for over 25 years. He is currently the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Baycrest Foundation and brings 26 years of senior and executive management experience coupled with a diverse entrepreneurial background in private business, not-for-profit, the charitable sector, public policy and electoral politics. Josh is a longtime volunteer with several community organizations and is a recipient of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal. Mr. Cooper looks forward to serving on the Board and to ensuring York Region remains one of the safest communities.

York Regional Police a Top 100 Employer in the Greater Toronto

York Regional Police has been named as a winner in the Greater Toronto's Top 2019 Employers competition. YRP was awarded the same recognition in 2016, 2017 and 2018. The competition has become a benchmark for workplace best practices. York Regional Police has invested significant resources into ensuring that

2019 Board Meeting Dates

January 30

February 27

March 27

April 17

May 15

June 26

September 25

October 30

November 27

Public Board meetings begin at 9:00 a.m. in Committee Room A York Region Administrative Centre

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the current and future needs of all employees are met and continues to be an industry leader in providing cutting-edge technology, a wide variety of career opportunities and exceptional leadership, all while keeping York Region one of the safest communities in Canada.

2019 Police Operating and Capital Budgets

The Board approved the 2019 York Regional Police Operating Budget of \$327.9 million, which is a 3.7 percent increase over the 2018 Budget and includes the addition of 53 police officers and civilian members to address population growth and intensification, continued sustainable and effective police services to the communities, increasing demands for service and cannabis enforcement. The 2019 Police Operating Budget continues to maintain the lowest policing cost per capita in Canada among comparable police services (with populations of over 1 million residents).

Operating Budget	\$327.9 million
Capital Budget	\$33.5 million

The Board also approved the 2019 York Regional Police Capital Budget of \$33.5 million with a Capital Spend Authority of \$62.5 million. The expenditures include \$14.5 million for facilities, \$8.6 million for vehicles, \$5.9 million for information technology, \$4.1 million for specialized equipment and \$0.3 million for communication equipment. Financing for the capital budget is a combination of contributions from reserves, debenture proceeds repaid from development charges, debt reduction reserve funding, development charge collections and external funding. The 2019 Police Budget will be presented at Regional Council in February for final approval. A copy of the Budget presentation can be found on the Board's website yrpsb.ca.

Report on Public Complaints Against Police

During the first half of 2018, 86 complaints were filed against York Regional Police officers compared to 77 during the same period in 2017. Sixteen (16) of those complaints remain under investigation. Thirty-nine (39) complaints were deemed to be not in the public interest, frivolous, or more appropriately dealt with under another Act or law; six complaints were unsubstantiated; 15 public complaints were withdrawn by the complainant; two complaints were resolved informally and one complaint did not fall under the jurisdiction of the Office of the Independent Police Review Director. The nature of the majority of complaints relates to police procedure. For full copies of public complaint reports, please visit the Board's website yrpsb.ca.

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