



MINUTES
Community Policing Advisory Committee

September 19, 2018
9:00am
Council Chambers, Town Hall

Committee Members Present: Peter McAsh
Mayor Strathdee
Fred Stam
Councillor Don Van Galen

Committee Members Regrets: John McGarry

OPP Present: Detachment Commander Rob Scott
Staff Sgt. Stephane Pilon

Staff Present: Brent Kittmer, Committee Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared.

3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Moved By Member Stam

Seconded By Member McAsh

THAT the agenda for September 19, 2018 Community Policing Advisory Committee be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved By Member Stam

Seconded By Mayor Strathdee

THAT the June 20, 2018 Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved and signed by the Chair and the Secretary.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None.

6. DELEGATIONS

None.

7. REPORTS

7.1 OPP Monthly Statistics

7.1.1 July 2018 Monthly Report

7.1.2 August 2018 Monthly Report

Detachment Commander Rob Scott Spoke to the July and August 2018 reports. He noted that petty crime and theft increased over the summer, which is a trend across the region. The police service believes this is a result of the current opioid addiction issue regionally. Property owners are reminded to lock their cars, homes, and out buildings as most theft is a crime of opportunity.

In response to Mayor Strathdee, the OPP continues to train officers in regards to drug use recognition in advance of the pending cannabis legalization. The OPP are waiting to see the final legislation and to receive an opinion from Federal prosecutors before determining how to enforce the new legislation. Once clarity is provided, the necessary field equipment will be purchased.

In response to member Stam, the OPP are forecasting that edible cannabis products will become legal in 2019. Specific to schools, the school boards will need to develop policies in regards to how they address cannabis use on school property.

Moved By Member McAsh

Seconded By Member Stam

THAT the July 2018 and August 2018 OPP monthly reports be received for information.

CARRIED

7.2 Monthly False Alarm Report

Moved By Member Stam

Seconded By Member McAsh

THAT the June 2018, July 2018 and August 2018 False Alarm Reports be received for information.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

None received.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Update - Stratford Police Transition

B. Kittmer provided a current status update on the transition to the Stratford Police. The Committee provided input into the proposed communication plan with the public.

Detachment Commander Scott updated the Committee that he has met with the Acting Chief to review transition activities. The OPP will be providing policing and operations related information to Stratford to make the transition go smoothly. This includes assigning an OPP officer to ride along with Stratford Officers after the transition date.

Moved By Member McAsh

Seconded By Member Stam

THAT the September 19, 2018 Stratford Police Transition Update be received for discussion.

CARRIED

10. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Chair Van Galen announced the upcoming meeting dates.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Member Stam

Seconded By Mayor Strathdee

THAT the September 19, 2018 meeting of the Community Policing Advisory Committee be adjourned at 9:53am.

CARRIED

Chair Don Van Galen

Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk, Board Secretary