



**MINUTES**  
**Community Policing Advisory Committee**

June 19, 2019  
9:00am  
Council Chambers, Town Hall

Committee Members Present: Councillor Winter  
Mayor Strathdee  
Doug Diplock  
Paul Dunseith  
Jacqueline Hibbert

Stratford Police Services Present: Chief Greg Skinner  
Deputy Chief Gerald Foster  
Community Resources Officer Keating

Staff Present: Brent Kittmer, Secretary  
Jenna McCartney, Deputy Clerk

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Winter called the meeting to order at 9:12 am.

**2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None declared.

**3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**Moved By** Mayor Strathdee

**Seconded By** Doug Diplock

**THAT** the June 19, 2019 Community Policing Advisory Committee agenda be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Committee asked that minute item 7.1, in the fourth paragraph, the word spending be changed to speeding.

Additionally, minute item 9.1, in the ninth paragraph, the word endure be changed to ensure.

**Moved By** Paul Dunseith

**Seconded By** Jacqui Hibbert

**THAT** the May 15, 2019 Community Policing Advisory Committee minutes be approved as amended by the Committee and signed by the Chair and the Secretary.

**CARRIED**

## **5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

### **5.1 Staff Update: Police Parking on Queen Street East**

Brent Kittmer confirmed that the request of the Committee to adjust the police parking has been approved by Council and will be painted in the near future.

### **5.2 Committee Discussion: Appoint a Liaison to the Stratford Police Services Board**

Paul Dunseith nominated Doug Diplock to be appointed as the liaison to the Stratford Police Services Board.

Doug Diplock accepted the nomination.

**Moved By** Paul Dunseith

**Seconded By** Mayor Strathdee

**THAT** Doug Diplock be appointed a liaison to the Stratford Police Services Board.

**CARRIED**

### **5.3 Committee Discussion: Finalize Committee Priorities for the Term (continued from last meeting)**

Brent Kittmer sought confirmation from the Committee of their priorities for the term.

Chair Winter stated enforcement, visibility and community engagement should be priorities.

Paul Dunseith stated road and pedestrian safety is a key priority he has for the committee.

Mr. Kittmer will bring back a final list to the Committee for approval.

## **6. DELEGATIONS**

None.

## **7. REPORTS**

### **7.1 Stratford Police Services Monthly Operating Report - May 2019**

Deputy Chief Gerry Foster spoke to the May operating report and responded to questions from the Committee.

The Committee discussed the deterioration of licence plates and inquired about the opportunity to educate the public that such licence plates can be replaced by contacting the licensing office. The Committee suggested that staff share the information with the public.

In response to committee questions the police provided the following answers:

- A local garage door theft involved a local victim and an external suspect.
- For driving complaints, most are distracted driving or out of lane. Most complaints occur in the daytime.
- There are numerous reasons why the police supervisor's truck is deployed to town.
- Seatbelt compliance is above ninety percent, but there are seasonal non compliances.

Police Chief Greg Skinner highlighted the crime stoppers report

Chief Skinner stated that the Perth County Crime Stoppers Board and Huron County Crime Stoppers Board are investigating opportunities to amalgamate.

## **8. CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

## **9. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **9.1 Discussion of Items Raised by Committee Members**

#### **9.1.1 Review/Overview of the Speed Zones Currently Within Town Limits (P. Dunseith)**

Mr. Kittmer stated that staff anticipate a report back to Council on the matter within the coming months.

Paul Dunseith noted that he has heard public concerns that speeding enforcement is a “cash grab”. He inquired about the possibility of the posted limit at the Water Street South entrance to Town be increased to 60 km/h.

Mr. Kittmer provided that the *Highway Traffic Act* states that all in-town speed limits will be 50 km/h. The municipality has the authority to adjust from there. Council receives field analytics that guide Council with their decision of posted speed limits.

Mayor Strathdee stated that as a council representative, he would like to review the pending staff report regarding downtown speed limits before further direction is created from this Committee.

Doug Diplock would like Chair to review the staff report and then determine if a special meeting of the Committee needs to be called throughout the summer months prior to the Council meeting.

## **10. CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved By** Mayor Strathdee

**Seconded By** Doug Diplock

**THAT** the Community Policing Advisory Committee move into a session that is closed to the public at 9:40 am as authorized under the *Municipal Act*, Section 239(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and the *Police Services Act*, Section 35(4)(a) matters involving public security may be disclosed and, having regard to the circumstances, the desirability of avoiding their disclosure in the public interest outweighs the desirability of adhering to the principle that proceedings be open to the public.

**CARRIED**

### **10.1 Correspondence Received re: Community Safety Concern**

## **11. RISE AND REPORT**

Chair Winter stated that a closed session was held and one item related to a community safety concern was considered. There is nothing further to report at this time.

## **12. UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Chair Winter reviewed the upcoming meetings as presented on the agenda.

## **13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved By** Mayor Strathdee  
**Seconded By** Doug Diplock

**THAT** this regular meeting of the Community Policing Advisory Committee be adjourned at 10:10 am.

**CARRIED**

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Chair Winter

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Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk, Secretary