



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

January 15, 2020  
9:00am  
Council Chambers, Town Hall

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

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

Committee Member Regrets: Doug Diplock

Staff Present: Jenna McCartney, Deputy Clerk  
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works  
Morgan Dykstra, Public Works Coordinator

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Winter called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.

**2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None.

**3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

Jenna McCartney opened nominations for Committee Chair.

Paul Dunseith nominated Councillor Tony Winter. Jacqueline Hibbert seconded the nomination. Councillor Winter accepted the nomination.

No further nominations were received and the nomination period for Chair was closed.

**Moved By** P. Dunseith

**Seconded By** J. Hibbert

**THAT** Councillor Winter be appointed as the Chair of the Community Policing Advisory Committee effective immediately to January 20, 2021.

**CARRIED**

Chair Winter opened nominations for Committee Vice-Chair.

Paul Dunseith nominated Doug Diplock as Vice-Chair. Jacqueline Hibbert seconded the nomination. In Doug Diplock's absence, Chair Winter stated that Mr. Diplock will accept the nomination.

No further nominations were received and the nomination period for Vice Chair was closed.

**Moved By** P. Dunseith

**Seconded By** J. Hibbert

**THAT** Doug Diplock be appointed as the Vice-Chair of the Community Policing Advisory Committee effective immediately to January 20, 2021.

**CARRIED**

#### **4. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Chair Winter requested that the following items be added under "Other Business".

10.1 Overnight Parking and Parking at Town Hall

10.2 Break and Enter, and Property Storage

**Moved By** Mayor Strathdee

**Seconded By** P. Dunseith

**THAT** the January 15, 2020 Community Policing Advisory Committee agenda be accepted as amended.

**CARRIED**

#### **5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

It was noted that Mayor Strathdee's status at the November 27, 2019 meeting should be changed to "Committee Members Regrets".

**Moved By** P. Dunseith

**Seconded By** J. Hibbert

**THAT** the November 27, 2019 Community Policing Advisory Committee minutes be approved as amended by the Committee, and signed by the Chair and the Secretary.

**6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

**6.1 Update on 2020 Policing Budget and Council Approval**

J. McCartney updated the Committee on the budget process of Council.

**6.2 Update on Huron Perth Public Health Unit Request for Needle Drop Off Location**

J. McCartney provided an update on the request for needle drop off locations throughout St. Marys.

**6.3 Outstanding question regarding E-Ticket monthly statistics**

Deputy Chief Foster stated that Part III offences under the *Provincial Offences Act* are not collected through e-tickets.

Chief Skinner will ensure future reporting expands on Part III offences.

**7. DELEGATIONS**

None.

**8. REPORTS**

**8.1 POLICE MONTHLY STATISTICS**

The December 2019 monthly policing stats were distributed to the Committee at the beginning of the meeting.

Deputy Chief Foster reviewed the November monthly policing stats.

In response to the request for an update on the auxiliary program, the Deputy Chief stated the program was launched at the end of 2019. There are a number of volunteers interested in pursuing a career in policing. The program is expected to run for 12 weeks.

Deputy Chief Forster reported on the December monthly policing stats. Deputy Chief Foster elaborated on the recent implementation of a ride-along by a mental health professional to assist in specific calls. The program will continue as a pilot with an acknowledgement that the program has been successful to date.

An update was provided on the investigation of a recent motor vehicle collision on Church Street North. The final report is currently being prepared.

**Moved By** J. Hibbert  
**Seconded By** Mayor Strathdee

**THAT** the November and December 2019 monthly policing stats be received for information.

**CARRIED**

## **8.2 CRIME STOPPERS MONTHLY REPORT**

Chief Skinner reviewed the November 2019 Crime Stoppers report and responded to questions from the Committee.

**Moved By** P. Dunseith  
**Seconded By** J. Hibbert

**THAT** the November 2019 Crime Stoppers Report be received.

**CARRIED**

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE**

### **9.1 Minister of the Solicitor General re: E-Scooters**

Jed Kelly provided an update as the information relates to the Town's Traffic, Parking and Boulevard Maintenance By-law.

The Committee would like staff to consult with the police regarding the regulation of e-scooters as it pertains to the Town's By-law.

**Moved By** Mayor Strathdee  
**Seconded By** P. Dunseith

**THAT** the correspondence from the Ministry of the Solicitor General regarding E-Scooter regulations be received.

**CARRIED**

## **10. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **10.1 Overnight Parking**

Chair Winter stated there is a concern that drivers are not adhering to the By-law as vehicles are left on streets during the winter period.

Nick Keating stated that two concerns have been received and forwarded on to the Staff Sergeant to address.

Chair Winter stated that some police cruisers continue to park on Church Street North contrary to the new parking spots provided on Queen Street East.

Chief Skinner stated that he would re-address the matter with the necessary individuals.

Paul Dunseith raised a concern that vehicles parking along Elgin Street East and Church Street East in the evening hours may be reducing visibility of pedestrians in that area.

Staff will investigate.

#### **10.2 Break and Enter**

In response to the inquiry, how is stolen property processed, Chief Skinner stated that property is transported by police to Stratford for processing and holding.

#### **11. UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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

#### **12. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved By** P. Dunseith

**Seconded By** Mayor Strathdee

**THAT** this meeting of the Community Policing Advisory Committee be adjourned at 9:40 am.

**CARRIED**

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Chair Winter

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Brent Kittmer, CAO / Clerk, Secretary