

# MINUTES Community Policing Advisory Committee

October 19, 2022 9:00 am Town Hall, Council Chambers

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

Stratford Police Services Present: Chief Greg Skinner Deputy Chief Foster Constable Aaron Mounfield

Staff Present:

Brent Kittmer, Chief Administrative Officer Jenna McCartney, Clerk Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and acknowledged the tragic passing of three police officers across Canada over the past week and a half.

# 2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

# 3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved By P. Dunseith Seconded By Councillor Winter

**THAT** the October 19, 2022 Community Policing Advisory Committee agenda be accepted as presented.

# CARRIED

# 4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Moved By J. Hibbert Seconded By Mayor Strathdee Community Policing Advisory Committee - June 15, 2022 **THAT** the September 21, 2022 Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved by the Committee and signed by the Chair and the Secretary.

## CARRIED

#### 5. CORRESPONDENCE

### 5.1 Municipality of East Ferris re: Let's Remember Adam

**Moved By** Councillor Winter **Seconded By** P. Dunseith

**THAT** the correspondence from the Municipality of East Ferris regarding the Let's Remember Adam campaign be received.

## CARRIED

#### 6. **REPORTS**

## 6.1 CRIME STOPPERS REPORT

Chief Skinner reviewed the September Crime Stoppers report.

In response to an inquiry about the three attempted murders, the locations are unknown as the report covers all of Huron and Perth counties.

Moved By J. Hibbert Seconded By P. Dunseith

THAT the September 2022 Crime Stoppers report be received.

# CARRIED

# 6.2 POLICE MONTHLY STATISTICS

Deputy Foster provided a review of the September 2022 monthly statistics.

Regarding speeding enforcement, it was noted that the frequency of tickets was lower. Deputy Foster explained that there was additional training activities and resources were dedicated to training.

In response to an inquiry about a RIDE program during the holiday season, Deputy Foster confirmed there will be festive RIDE programs and that there is \$16,000 funded by the Province to support the program.

Moved By J. Hibbert Seconded By P. Dunseith

**THAT** the September 2022 Police Monthly Statistics report be received.

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## 7. OTHER BUSINESS

#### 7.1 Road Network Safety Plan Update: B. Kittmer

Jed Kelly was asked to provide an update on Road Network Safety Plan, Speed Camera Enforcement, and inquiry on Town Radar Data.

The following updates were provided:

- Stop signs installations are ongoing, with four at a time being installed and no complaints
- Jones Street parking lot lights are underway
- Guard rails for Queen Street have been installed
- Stop bars are being upgraded throughout the Town, railway crossings were added
- Sidewalk master plan is ongoing along with Wayfinding and trail updates
- Creating a database on the intersection sightline improvements
- Currently renewing parking lot permits and preparing media campaign for on street parking throughout the winter
- Investigating pedestrian crossing for Water Street South at the Quarry, James Steet North at Egan Ave. and James Street South at Maxwell Street.
- Maintaining speed sign deployment throughout town.

#### 7.2 Speed Radar Data Gathering:

Mr. Kelly confirmed that data is collected from the radar signs and Stratford Police are provided a summary every two weeks. Signs did stay in the current locations through August and September.

In response to an inquiry regarding data collected from the signs, the data will be reviewed and submitted to the new committee.

#### 7.3 Update on Speed Camera Enforcement Option

Mr. Kelly is awaiting further details about the program. Staff are not ready to make a recommendation at this time.

Chief Skinner discussed that the technology needed for back office support is the largest cost associated with utilizing video.

Chief Skinner further shared that the Stratford Police are providing enhanced visibility in the community as the service received funding to support a part time policing program. The Ministry has permitted use of year one funding to support officers conducting part time foot patrol on paid duty basis. The purpose is to have more officers visible and provide targeted areas with enforcement.

In response to an inquiry about high volume of traffic at Queen Street lights and synchronizing lights, Mr. Kelly shared that the timing of the lights was set within the traffic light cabinets based on the traffic count study conduct in 2015 and implemented during the 2016 reconstruction of Queen Street.

Mayor Strathdee departed the meeting at 9:30 am.

In response to an inquiry about the time difference between the Queen Street and Church Street intersection and the Queen Street and Water Street intersection, Mr. Kelly confirmed that intersections are semiactivated. There is no fix time as there are variables that are at play.

## 8. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Staff will communicate the next meeting of the committee once members are appointed.

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By P. Dunseith

Seconded By Councillor Winter

**THAT** this Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting adjourn at 9:37 am.

CARRIED

Doug Diplock, Chair

Jenna McCartney, Clerk