



MINUTES
Community Policing Advisory Committee

May 17, 2023
9:00 am
Municipal Operations Centre
408 James Street South, St. Marys

Committee Members Present: Mayor Strathdee
Jacqueline Hibbert
Tony Winter
Robert Zensner
Councillor Edney
Councillor Luna

Stratford Police Services Present: Chief Greg Skinner
Deputy Chief Foster

Staff Present: Brent Kittmer, Chief Administrative Officer
Jenna McCartney, Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Chair added item 6.2, Traffic, Parking and Boulevard Maintenance By-law Update, to the agenda.

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Robert Zensner

THAT the May 17, 2023 Community Policing Advisory Committee agenda be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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Moved By Councillor Luna
Seconded By Tony Winter

THAT the April 19, 2023 Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved by the Committee and signed by the Chair and the Secretary.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS

5.1 CRIME STOPPERS REPORT

Chief Skinner acknowledged the recent death of Sgt. Eric Mueller while in the line of duty.

Chief Skinner presented the March and April 2023 Crime Stoppers report.

Moved By Councillor Luna
Seconded By Robert Zensner

THAT the March 2023 and April 2023 Crime Stoppers reports be received.

CARRIED

5.2 POLICE MONTHLY STATISTICS

Deputy Chief Foster presented the April 2023 police statistics.

In response to an inquiry regarding the process for responding to domestic calls, Deputy Chief Foster provided an overview of different scenarios and how they would be handled.

In response to an inquiry regarding the process for commendation and recognition, Deputy Chief Foster explained the different processes for internal or external requests. A recommendation was considered by the Committee at this time.

Moved By Councillor Luna
Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT the Committee recognize Constable Mounfield for his service to the community of St. Marys.

CARRIED

In response to an inquiry about an increase in false alarms, Deputy Chief Foster will investigate whether the increases are related to common occurrences.

In response to a question regarding an impaired by alcohol crime, Deputy Chief Foster stated that it was a result of a motor vehicle collision.

Moved By Robert Zensner

Seconded By Tony Winter

THAT the April 2023 Police Monthly Statistics report be received.

CARRIED

5.3 Stratford Police Service Board Liaison Report - Coun. Edney

Councillor Edney provided highlights of the recent police services board meeting.

In response to an inquiry about training programs related to fraud and artificial intelligence, Deputy Chief Foster stated there are factors that are impeding immediate training which include the specialized skills of individuals, cost of training and the maintenance of the training.

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Tony Winter

THAT the Stratford Police Services Board Liaison report from Councillor Edney be received.

CARRIED

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 June 11, 2023 Stratford-Perth Pride Event in Milt Dunnell Park (Brent Kittmer)

Brent Kittmer provided an overview of the upcoming Stratford-Perth Pride event to be hosted at Milt Dunnell Park on Sunday, June 11, 2023 and wanted to draw the police service's attention to the event due to increasing protests in the area.

Chief Skinner and Deputy Chief Foster noted that the police would develop a plan to ensure there was an appropriate visible deterrent for the event.

6.2 Traffic, Parking and Boulevard Maintenance By-law Update

Jenna McCartney provided an overview of the updates to the Traffic, Parking and Boulevard Maintenance By-law that was recently passed by Council.

7. UPCOMING MEETINGS

June 21, 2023 - 9:00 am, Municipal Operations Centre

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Robert Zensner

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT this Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned at 9:38 am.

CARRIED

Jacqueline Hibbert, Chair

Jenna McCartney, Clerk