



MINUTES
Community Policing Advisory Committee

September 20, 2023
9:00 am
Municipal Operations Centre
408 James Street South, St. Marys

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

Committee Member Regrets: Robert Zensner

Stratford Police Services Present: Deputy Chief Foster
Constable Ian Siraj (video conference)

Staff Present: Brent Kittmer, Chief Administrative Officer
Jenna McCartney, Clerk
Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works
Jeff Wolfe, Infrastructure Services Manager

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

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT the September 20, 2023 Community Policing Advisory Committee agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Moved By Mayor Strathdee
Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT the June 21, 2023 Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved by the Committee and signed by the Chair and the Secretary.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS

None.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Chris Swarthout re: Traffic Concern Along Park St. at King St.

Moved By Councillor Luna
Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT the correspondence from Chris Swarthout regarding traffic along Park Street at King Street be received for information.

CARRIED

6.2 Orianna Brodbeck re: Stop Sign Request at St. John St. S. and Elgin St. E.

Moved By Councillor Edney
Seconded By Tony Winter

THAT the correspondence from Orianna Brodbeck regarding a request for a stop sign at St. John St. S. and Elgin St. E. be received; and

THAT the Community Policing Advisory Committee recommends to Council:

THAT the correspondence be referred to staff for consideration during the development of a Road Network Safety Plan.

CARRIED

7. REPORTS

7.1 CRIME STOPPERS REPORT

Deputy Chief Foster presented the June and July 2023 report.

Moved By Councillor Luna
Seconded By Councillor Edney

THAT the June 2023 and July 2023 Crime Stoppers report be received.

CARRIED

7.2 POLICE MONTHLY STATISTICS

Deputy Chief Foster presented the June, July and August police monthly statistics.

In light of the increased use of scooters amongst youth, the Chair asked the Community Resource Officer if there is an opportunity to educate through schools about the proper usage of alternative modes of transportation.

Moved By Tony Winter

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT the June 2023, July 2023 and August 2023 Police Monthly Statistics report be received.

CARRIED

7.3 Stratford Police Service Board Liaison Report - Coun. Edney

Councillor Edney presented an update on the June 2023 Stratford Police Service Board including:

- taxi companies requested an increase to taxi fares
- increased overdose occurrences noted
- suspending the COVID-19 vaccination policy

Moved By Councillor Luna

Seconded By Mayor Strathdee

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

CARRIED

8. OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 PW 50–2023 Church St. South and Jones St. East Intersection Review

Jed Kelly presented PW 50-2023 report.

The Committee discussed the implications of the recommendations provided in the report.

Staff provided an estimated timeline for next steps.

Moved By Councillor Edney

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT PW 50–2023 Church St. South and Jones St. East Intersection Review report be received; and

THAT the Community Policing Advisory Committee recommends to Council:

THAT Council consider implementing the following options at the Church St S and Jones St E intersection:

- Option 2: Advanced warning signage – hidden intersection signage
- Option 4: Remove Church St on-street parking space in proximity to intersection
- Option 5: Remove trees in proximity of intersection
- Option 6: Remove hedges and vegetation
- Option 7: Convert Jones St eastbound from a yield condition to a stop condition

CARRIED

9. UPCOMING MEETINGS

October 18, 2023 - 9:00 am, Municipal Operations Centre

November 29, 2023 - 9:00am Municipal Operations Centre (to replace November 15 meeting)

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Mayor Strathdee

Seconded By Councillor Luna

THAT this Community Policing Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned at 10:18 am.

CARRIED

Jacqueline Hibbert, Chair

Jenna McCartney, Clerk