TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

The Township of Melancthon Police Services Board held an electronic meeting on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. due to COVID-19. Those present: Municipal Member Darren White, Public Member Alan Blundell, Denise Holmes, Secretary and Inspector - Detachment Commander Terry Ward, Dufferin OPP.

Call to Order

Chair Blundell called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by White, Seconded by Blundell that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

None declared.

Approval of Minutes – June 1, 2021

Moved by White, Seconded by Blundell that the minutes of the Police Services Board meeting held on June 1, 2021 be approved as circulated. Carried.

Issues Arising from the Minutes

None.

Presentations/Delegations

None.

Correspondence

Financial

None.

Detachment Commander's Report

During this time, Inspector - Detachment Commander Ward presented and reviewed his report for the 2nd Quarter - April - June 2021.

Committee Reports

None.

Other Business

1. Traffic dampening - "Children Playing" cut outs - Update, if any

There was no update at this time, but the Secretary will follow up with McCarthy Signs next week.

2. Update on Towing By-law, if any

There was no update at this time. Inspector Ward advised that the Provincial Towing By-law is coming into effect on October 1, 2021.

3. Police Services Board Composition – Update

Member White updated the Board on this matter and advised that Council has approved, at the Council meeting held on September 2, 2021, the Board composition proposal put forward by the Town of Grand Valley which would consist of four Boards for Dufferin as follows:

- 1 Orangeville
- 2 Shelburne
- 3 Melancthon, Mulmur and Mono
- 4 Amaranth, East Garafraxa and Grand Valley
- **4. Half Load Summary of Offences** (Inquiries from Council (June 17, 2021 meeting) were any of the Township roads patrolled for half load violations, if yes, what roads and how many days were they patrolled and is there GPS data?

Inspector Ward advised that blitzes occurred on County Road 17 and that is where all 20 charges were laid.

5. Council concerns from June 17, 2021 meeting - heavy trucks and speeding on the 4th Line NE and Letters from residents regarding 4th Line NE and 5th Line

There was discussion on this matter and the OPP will do a focused patrol on the 4th Line NE for two weeks – minimum one hour per day for day and night shift. They are aware of the concerns and are doing the best they can to get there to enforce.

6. Cost sharing of a Part-time Officer

There was discussion on this matter and Member White will approach Council again, regarding the matter and about partnering with the Township of Mulmur. Inspector Ward did advise that he is working to create a Traffic Unit at the Detachment and explained the details of how that would work.

During this time, Member White advised that Council approved the purchase of the Black Cat System at the Council meeting held on September 2, 2021.

7. OPP Presence on Melancthon roads since Shelburne OPP Contract

Inspector Ward noted that the OPP presence in Melancthon has probably increased since the Shelburne contract – more so on Highway 10. He advised that the calls for service have almost doubled over last year.

8. Questions from David Thwaites - Email dated August 31, 2021

The questions from David Thwaites were reviewed and it was noted that the OPP do not set up speed traps, they only patrol.

9. Other/Additions

Nothing for this matter.

Public Discussion

Bill Neilson was in attendance for the meeting and spoke to his letter in the Agenda Package.

Adjournment

10:20 a.m. – Moved by Blundell, Seconded by	White that we adjourn this Police Services
Board meeting to meet again on Tuesday, De	cember 7, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. or at the call of
the Chair.	
	
CHAIR	SECRETARY