



MINUTES
THAMES CENTRE POLICE SERVICES BOARD
FEBRUARY 15, 2023
4:00 P.M., IN-PERSON MEETING

PRESENT: J. Maudsley, Chair/Community Representative
M. Smibert, Member/Council Representative
D. Lockie, Member/Council Representative
S. Henshaw, Secretary

ALSO PRESENT: S. Johnson, OPP Representative/Interim Detachment Commander
M. McConnell, OPP Staff Sergeant

ABSENT: N. Irving, Vice-Chair/Provincial Representative

The Secretary called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

No pecuniary interests were disclosed at this time.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

(A) Nominations for Chair position. The Secretary called for nominations for the Chair position of the Thames Centre Police Services Board and the following person was nominated: Jim Maudsley.

Moved by: M. Smibert
Seconded by: D. Lockie
(Resolution #PSB-001-2023)

THAT Jim Maudsley be appointed Chair of the Thames Centre Police Services Board. Carried.

The Secretary turned the meeting over to Chair Maudsley.

- (B) Nominations for Vice-Chair position.** Chair Maudsley called for nominations for the Vice-Chair position of the Thames Centre Police Services Board and the following person was nominated: Nancie Irving.

Moved by: M. Smibert
Seconded by: D. Lockie
(Resolution #PSB-002-2023)

THAT Nancie Irving be appointed Vice-Chair of the Thames Centre Police Services Board. Carried.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- (A) October 26, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes.**

Moved by: M. Smibert
Seconded by: D. Lockie
(Resolution #PSB-003-2023)

THAT the Minutes of the October 26, 2022, meeting be received for information.
Carried.

4. REPORTS

- (A) Middlesex OPP, re Thames Centre Police Services Board Report for September - December 2022, Interim Detachment Commander, Shawn Johnson**

Shawn Johnson, Interim Detachment Commander, introduced himself and presented the Thames Centre Police Services Board Report for the period of September to December 2022. The Report consisted of the following:

- Billing Summary Report
- Violent Crime
- Property Crime
- Drug Crime
- Clearance Rate
- Collision Reporting System
- Detachment Success Story
- Media Relations

There was discussion on the following:

- Interpreting clearance rates
- Traffic complaint (Hamilton and Dorchester Road) – increased patrols

- Ages of impaired drivers

(B) Verbal update, Interviews for Detachment Commander.

Chair Maudsley provided a verbal update with respect to upcoming interviews for the Detachment Commander position to be held on March 8, 2023.

(C) Verbal update, OAPSB Zone 6 Spring Meeting – TBD

Chair Maudsley provided a verbal update that the OAPSB Zone 6 Spring Meeting is still to be determined.

(D) Verbal update, OAPSB 2023 Membership (\$1295.82 + hst) and OAPSB Zone 6 (\$55) Memberships Paid

The Secretary provided a verbal update that the OAPSB 2023 Membership and OAPSB Zone 6 Memberships have been paid.

(E) Verbal update, Ministry of Solicitor General 2022-23 – 2023-24 R.I.D.E. Grant approved. \$7,315.88 for 2022-23 and \$7,315.88 for 2023-24

The Secretary provided a verbal update that the 2022-23 – 2023 R.I.D.E Grant has been approved.

(F) Verbal update, OAPSB Activities, Member Maudsley

Chair Maudsley provided a verbal update with respect to OAPSB activities, including past and upcoming meetings.

(G) Verbal Update, Formation of New Section 10 Boards Timelines/Training Update, Chair Maudsley

Chair Maudsley advised the following:

- The Act is expected to be proclaimed in late spring or early summer of 2023
- New boards are expected to be in place by early 2024
- When the Act is proclaimed, there will be a timeframe provided before the new Police Services Board
- Thames Centre Police Services Board will be disbanded and become part of the Middlesex Police Services Board
- If proclaimed at that time, then January 1, 2024, by-laws reviewed and in place. Thames Centre taking lead, as we have current by-laws

- Appointments should be in place for provincial appointments in fall 2023
- No new provincial positions added to existing boards in the meantime
- Fall 2023 – mandatory training by ministry for board members
- New board
- Suggested composite of new Middlesex Police Services Board –
 - 7 member board + 2 citizens + 20% above this must be provincial appointments
 - **7 members** = Council members from all municipalities in Middlesex + Indigenous bands
 - 1 representative – Adelaide-Metcalf, Southwest Middlesex & Newbury
 - 1 representative – Lucan-Biddulph & North Middlesex
 - 1 representative – Thames Centre
 - 1 representative – Middlesex Centre
 - 1 representative – Chippewas of the Thames First Nation
 - 1 representative – Munsee-Delaware Nation
 - 1 representative – Oneida Nation of the Thames
 - Size will not be known until Act is proclaimed – then it will be up to municipal group to make appointments, then it will be up to Ontario to appoint their members
- Up to that board to establish budget, administration, etc. – billing would stay the same
- General history of the Thames Centre Police Services Board

Moved by: M. Smibert
Seconded by: D. Lockie
(Resolution #PSB-004-2023)

THAT Report Items 4 (A) – 4 (G) be received as information.

Carried.

5. CORRESPONDENCE – CONSENT

(A) OAPSB 2023 Virtual Spring Conference & AGM May 30 - June 1, 2023 – Niagara Falls.

Chair Maudsley advised that he would be attending.

(B) OAPSB Zone 6 Minutes and OAPSB Update – October 14, 2022.

Moved by: D. Lockie
Seconded by: M. Smibert
(Resolution #PSB-005-2023)

THAT Correspondence Items 5 a) to b) be received as information;

AND THAT Members be permitted to attend the 2023 OAPSB Virtual Spring Conference in person.

Carried.

6. CORRESPONDENCE – DISCUSSION

(A) Bail Reform Response Request from all OAPSB Boards – due February 23, 2023.

Moved by: M. Smibert
Seconded by: D. Lockie
(Resolution #PSB-006-2023)

THAT Chair Maudsley be directed to complete and submit the survey on behalf of the Thames Centre Police Services Board, in favour of bail reform.

Carried.

(B) OPP, 2023 Annual Billing Statement

There was discussion on the following:

- Northern municipalities brought up at ROMA conference they are not in favour of how billing statements are done
- Cost per household vs. per service

(C) Dorchester & District Lion's Club Concerns - FlightExec Centre, Dolphin's Games Concerns

The Interim Detachment Commander advised the following:

- OPP aware of concerns
- increased police presence at games - positive feedback from those in attendance
- 1 offence laid relating to alcohol
- do not want community members subject to this behaviour

7. NEW BUSINESS

There was some discussion on the following:

- By-law enforcement in Thames Centre
 - Infraction in community not being addressed

Chair Maudsley expressed interest in rerunning for his current board position with the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB) and discussed seeking approval of the Thames Centre Police Services Board.

Moved by: M. Smibert
Seconded by: D. Lockie
(Resolution #PSB-007-2023)

THAT the Thames Centre Police Services Board supports Chair Maudsley's continued involvement with the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB) and authorizes him to let name stand for Section 10 membership representing Zones 4, 5 & 6. Carried.

8. SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS

Meeting were previously set as follows, direction needed for meeting time change.

Wednesday, May 17, 2023	1:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 20, 2023	1:00 p.m.

Moved by: M. Smibert
Seconded by: D. Lockie
(Resolution #PSB-008-2023)

THAT meeting times be changed to 4:00 p.m.

Carried.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: D. Lockie
Seconded by: M. Smibert
(Resolution #PSB-009-2023)

There being no further business of the Thames Centre Police Services Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Carried.