

The Corporation of The City of Dryden

September 11, 2018

Minutes of a Police Costing Committee Meeting held at 5:00 p.m. on the above date in the Boardroom 1 at City Hall.

Present: Chair CAO R. Nesbitt, Councillor M. MacKinnon, Councillor J. Carlucci, Police Chief D. Palson, Mr. A. Skene and City Clerk D. Kincaid.

Regrets: Police Services Board Chair J. Green.

Absent: Councillor M. Trist, Deputy Clerk A. Euler and Treasurer S. Landsdell-Roll.

1. Call to Order:

The Chair R. Nesbitt called the meeting to order at 4:55 p.m.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature thereof:

(a) For the agenda for this meeting:

Mr. Nesbitt called for declarations of Pecuniary Interest, and the general nature thereof, under The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to the Agenda for this meeting and the response was negative.

3. Additions to or deletions from the agenda:

None.

4. Approval of Minutes:

(a) June 5, 2018.

- 1 MacKinnon THAT the Minutes of the June 5, 2018 Police Costing
Carlucci Committee Meeting be approved.
- CARRIED.**

5. Agenda Items:

(a) Costing Process from the Perspective of Other Chiefs – Chief Palson.

Chief Palson attended the OACP Conference and other events this summer and was able to make several connections to gather information. Highlights include:

- Shelbourne is deferred to January 2019. Looking at possible amalgamation with a neighbouring community.
- Midland still working through the process with pension issues.
- OPP staffing shortages are occurring throughout the province.
- West Nipissing is currently in a battle between the Council and Board re processes. Board is taking to it to a judicial review. Other issue is the interim facility is inadequate while new facility is being built.
- Acting Chief in Espanola advised 6 months into process and transition on October 11, 2018 into Manitoulin Detachment area; both he and the Board Chair willing to talk to Dryden. OPP still not given offers of employment and not expected to get them until early October just prior to the transfer.
- Owen Sound survived the costing and decided not to move to OPP but did a service review to identify savings/efficiencies. The process took its toll on the organization and staff.

ACTION: Chief Palson

(b) Cost of Disbanding DPS Based on the Disbandment Language in the Collective Agreement – Treasurer.

Information is not available but will be available for the next Committee meeting.

ACTION: Treasurer

(c) Update re: Emails Sent to Municipalities that have been through the Costing Process re: Upcoming Contact in the Fall to Discuss the Process and their Perspective:

Chair R. Nesbitt reviewed the list of communities to have direction from the Committee on the final list. Committee discussed ensuring that a balanced approach be taken to include Police Chief, CAO and Board Chair (where able) in all communities.

Questions were reviewed by Committee. Chief Palson to send contact information to CAO re Chiefs to add to contact lists confirmed and move forward with setting up calls.

ACTION: CAO, Chief Palson

FYI: Espanola has Police Costing/Reports and FAQ re OPP from Community Meetings, etc. on their website for Committee information.

<https://www.espanola.ca/police-services/opp-costing-initiatives>

(c) Discussion about Action Items from now until November 28, 2018:

(i) Consultant – Service Contract:

Develop and issue RFP as soon as possible with a defined scope of both financial and service comparison.

Action: CAO

(ii) Disbandment Costs to be completed:

Treasurer to prepare for the committee next month.

Action: Treasurer

(iii) Dryden Police Service Financial Forecasts:
(2019 budget process)

Work is underway.

Action: Chief Palson

(iv) Special COW Meeting – November 28, 2018:

Notice has been issued to the public and all candidates running in the October Municipal Election. Additional communications to be issued by the City to ensure the public understands the expectations that evening, and that the community will be engaged in 2019. City to also explore the venue options.

Action: CAO/City Clerk

(v) Communications with Media:

All communications with the media on the costing process to be coordinated through the CAO.

6. Adjournment:

(a) Adjournment:

**2 MacKinnon THAT this meeting do hereby adjourn.
Carlucci - CARRIED.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.