

The Corporation of The City of Dryden

September 6, 2017

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 E. Remillard, Councillor M. Trist, Councillor J. Carlucci, Councillor N. Bush, Treasurer S. Lansdell-Roll, Police Chief D. Palson, Dryden Police Services Board Chair J. Green, Mr. A. Skene and Deputy Clerk A. Euler.

Absent: City Clerk D. Kincaid.

1. Call to Order:

City of Dryden CAO, Mr. Remillard, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Introductions:

The committee members introduced themselves.

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

(a) For the agenda for this meeting:

Mr. Remillard 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.

4. Agenda Items:

(a) Establishment of Committee Terms of Reference.

Mr. Remillard reviewed the Town of Espanola's Terms of Reference for its Policing Options Committee, advising he would like to use it as a template. Members agreed the Committee should be named the Police Costing Committee and that meetings would be scheduled at 5:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, except for October when the meeting would be held on the third Tuesday. Mr. Remillard also reviewed the addendum to Espanola's Terms of Reference, which is the Communication Protocol, noting he would like to adopt it as well. He advised that he would be the only member of the Committee to release information during the costing process.

(b) Committee Goals.

Committee members discussed the possibility of asking NAN and/or Treaty 3 Police to provide costing options but that was seen as unrealistic as they are funded provincially and federally and are not governed by the provincial Police Services Act. Adding an OPP member to the Committee was also discussed and Mr. Remillard advised he would speak with the OPP Analyst to see if that is recommended. It was also suggested he check with Espanola to see how having an OPP member on their Committee had worked out. Chief Palson commented that it is common practise to keep local OPP detachments out of the process to avoid the potential animosity for

both police groups. It was suggested that members of the Committee take an oath of confidentiality and all members were agreeable. As well, it was recommended that the Police Services Board be kept briefed on the proceedings. It was recommended a timeline for the project be created to lay out proposed times to speak with other municipalities, to gather public input and to allow for questions from Council, for example. The Committee members thought this was a good idea. It was suggested that the Committee's stakeholders (such as the Hospital, school boards, Dryden Native Friendship Centre, Health Unit) be identified as the Committee should reach out to them to find out if they have any specific questions and/or concerns about the costing process. It was noted that it would be important to carefully word the questions being asked so that responses would be useful to the Committee. It was suggested that for a public meeting, an independent facilitator be brought in to keep everyone on point.

(c) Open Items.

Mr. Remillard advised information regarding Court Security and Prisoner Transportation costs had been provided to the OPP.

(d) Process of Information Flow.

Mr. Remillard advised he and Chief Palson were communicating with the OPP Analysts.

(e) Costing Contract Proposal Process.

<http://www.opp.ca/index.php?&id=115&entryid=56b7d1618f94acaf5c28d17e>

Mr. Remillard advised the entire costing process had been attached to the agenda for this meeting.

(f) Information Gathered to Date by OPP.

Mr. Remillard advised information that had been gathered was included in the agenda for this meeting. Chief Palson noted Midland, Owen Sound and Espanola would be receiving their costing information from the OPP soon.

(g) Next Steps.

Mr. Remillard advised he would prepare a Staff Report to advise Council on the Committee's first meeting and progress to date. He stated he would draft the Committee's Terms of Reference and have them distributed to Committee members prior to the next meeting. He also advised he would work on drafting a project timeline. It was noted that the focus is to move the project forward as quickly as possible.

5. Adjournment:

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The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.