

DRYDEN POLICE SERVICES BOARD

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 22, 2019

Minutes of the Open Meeting of the Dryden Police Services Board held Tuesday, October 22, 2019 in the City of Dryden Council Chambers.

Present: Chair J. Green, P. Skillen, J Carlucci, B. Wiedenhoeft and D. McKay

Regrets: None

Staff/Others: Chief D. Palson and Board Secretary A. Boily

1. Call to Order:

Chair J. Green called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

2. Additional Agenda Items:

- (a) Capital Budget
- (b) Update External Policy Review

3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:

Chair J. Green called for any declarations of pecuniary interest, and the general nature thereof, under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to the agenda for this meeting. The response was negative.

4. Delegations:

There were no delegations.

5. Adoption of Minutes:

MOTION #01

MOVED BY: P. Skillen

SECONDED BY: J. Carlucci

THAT the Dryden Police Services Board adopt the following minutes:

Regular Board Meeting:	September 24, 2019
Special Board Meeting:	October 7, 2019
Special Board Meeting:	October 21, 2019

“CARRIED”

6. Business Arising From Previous Minutes:

(a) Update External Policy Review:

Chair J. Green received the following e-mail from G. Wight, Police Services Advisor:

“We have carefully considered the board's request.

It is our belief that we are unable to conduct a systemic review in relation to the mandate you have communicated: "systemic racism or any other policies which have unintended bias for minorities or any other group of people".

The ministry's inspection program is intended to measure compliance to the Police Services Act (PSA), including related regulations and standards. Based on the comprehensiveness of the review the board has requested, our ability to provide broad feedback through an inspection may be insufficient for the board's purposes. That said, we have engaged a few of our government partners in a conversation about training and support for the board in relation to the mandate of the board's request. We are hopeful to communicate more about those opportunities in short amount of time.”

(b) Zone 1 OACP/OAPSB Joint Meeting:

The Zone meeting was an excellent event. The presentations were very worthwhile, interesting and informative. Time well spent.

(c) Police Day for Council:

Police Day was held October 17, 2019. It was a great day. Board members and members of Council were present throughout the day. It was an excellent event. It was mentioned that for future Police Days, other stakeholders should be invited to attend to gain an appreciation of the essential services of the Dryden Police Service. Chair J. Green, on behalf of the Board, acknowledged the time and workload that was required to put this "Day" together.

(d) Speed Sign:

The speed sign has been very well received throughout the community.

(e) Status of Provincial Appointment:

Chair J. Green has checked with the Ministry and has been informed that the Ministry does not post the position until the actual vacancy has occurred. And then, it is not posted immediately after the vacancy. So, it could be awhile before a provincial appointment is made to replace P. Skillen on the Police Services Board.

7. Monthly Reports:

(a) Statistical Reports – September 2019 – Report #2019-050:

The September Report was reviewed by Chief D. Palson and the members of the Board.

(b) Financial Reports – September 30, 2019 - Report #2019-051:

Line items dealing with Training and General Expenses were reviewed.

MOTION #02

**MOVED BY: J. Carlucci
SECONDED BY: P. Skillen**

THAT the Dryden Police Services Board authorizes the adoption of the City of Dryden Financial Reports for the period ending September 30, 2019.

“CARRIED”

8. Reports:

(a) Chief's Report - Report #2019-052:

Chief D. Palson reported on the following:

- 2020-2022 Business Plan – Chief D. Palson has arranged to do some focus groups. The first meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 7, 2019.
- Online Criminal Record Checks/ (Update) – hope to have the on-line application process up and running in January 2020.
- Pet Control – the September 2019 Stats Report was reviewed
- Police Day – may arrange for another event in the Spring, taking into account as much as possible, the comments and suggestions from the October 17th, 2019 event.
- LIVESCAN Fingerprint Unit (Update) – once all the training has been completed the equipment will be set to active mode and be ready for use by the officers.
- 2020 Operating Budget – reviewed the scenarios as presented. Will be brought back to the November Board meeting.
- 2020 Capital Budget – the Board agreed to the purchase of two (2) police vehicles. Originally this purchase was to be deferred until the next budget year, however, the City Treasurer approached the Chief to re-start the replacement cycle so that the vehicles could be rotated out and used elsewhere in the City while they had life left.

MOTION #03

MOVED BY: P. Skillen

SECONDED BY: D. McKay

THAT the Dryden Police Services Board approve the 2020 Capital Budget request for the replacement of two (2) police vehicles.

“CARRIED”

(b) Community Services – Report #2019-053.

The Community Services Report for September 2019 was included with the Agenda packages and reviewed by the Board.

9. New Business:

(a) Guns and Gang Federal Funding:

The criteria for the Guns and Gang funding is a threshold of eligibility. The Dryden Police Service does not meet the criteria and therefore is not eligible to apply for funding. Chair J. Green responded to a question from the CAO and Mayor of the City of Dryden and provided our statistics as well as those from Thunder Bay. It is important to note that Thunder Bay did not qualify either. The funding is designed for larger centres and bigger projects usually involving multiple policing agencies.

10. Adjourn to In-Camera Session:

MOTION #04

MOVED BY: P. Skillen

SECONDED BY: J. Carlucci

THAT this meeting of the Dryden Police Services Board does hereby adjourn to convene to a Closed Meeting of the Dryden Police Services Board for the purposes of discussing confidential items pertaining to matters authorized under Section 35(4) of the Police Services Act.

“CARRIED”

At this time, 4:50 p.m., the Open Meeting adjourned to the Closed Meeting.

11. Re-Convene to Open Session:

MOTION #05

MOVED BY: J. Carlucci

SECONDED BY: P. Skillen

THAT the Open Meeting of the Dryden Police Services Board be reconvened.

“CARRIED”

At this time, 5:28 p.m., the Closed Meeting reconvened to the Open Meeting.

12. Board Direction Resulting From Discussions During the Closed Session:

There was no Board direction resulting from discussions during the closed session.

13. Next Meeting and Adjournment:

MOTION #6

MOVED BY: P. Skillen

SECONDED BY: J. Carlucci

THAT this meeting does hereby adjourn.

“CARRIED”

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the City of Dryden Council Chambers.

Confirmed this 12th day of November 2019 A.D.



Chair



Secretary