DURHAM REGIONAL POLICE SERVICES BOARD

BOARD MINUTES

November 19, 2019

08:30h

Present:

Kevin Ashe, Chair
Bobbie Drew, Vice Chair
Patrice, Barnes, Member
Garry Cubitt, Member
Steve deBoer, Member
Karen Fisher, Member
John Henry, Member
Paul Martin, Chief of Police
Dean Bertrim, Deputy Chief
Todd Rollauer, Deputy Chief
Stan MacLellan, Chief Administrative Officer
Bill Clancy, Executive Director
Anita Longo, Executive Assistant

PUBLIC

Call to Order

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: John Henry Seconded by: Karen Fisher "THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on October 15, 2019."

Carried. M384-19

Presentation(s)

Deputy Chief Rollauer presented the Board with an update on operational indicators and statistics for the 3rd quarter.

Moved by: Garry Cubitt Seconded by: Patrice Barnes "THAT the Operational Indicators & Statistics update be received for information."

Carried. M385-19

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Policy/By-Law Review

Moved by: Karen Fisher Seconded by: Steve deBoer "THAT the Board approves the amended By-Law Schedule A and B authorizing the collection of fees and charges."

M386-19

Chair's Monthly Brief

Moved by: Bobbie Drew Seconded by: Steve deBoer "THAT the Public Chair's Monthly Brief be received for information." Carried. M387-19

Monitoring Reports

The Asset Protection Executive Limitations policy was discussed by the Board. Chair Ashe requested clarification regarding the no lost time reported for the 18 member injuries due to vehicle collisions year to date. Ms. Britton stated that the severity of injuries did not result in lost hours.

Moved by: Bobbie Drew Seconded by: Steve deBoer "THAT the Board find that all provisions of the Asset Protection Executive Limitations Policy have been complied with."

Carried. M388-19

The Financial Conditions and Activities report was discussed by the Board. Ms. Barnes inquired about the overspend in legal and professional services category and if there is a way to track and decrease the amount of spending. Chief Martin confirmed that this overspend has been reoccurring due to workload and the Service has entered into a new relationship with the Region's legal department. Vice Chair Drew inquired about the status of grant funding and should there be a decrease from government will the Service be able to handle. Mr. le Riche stated that the large provincial grants have been confirmed of approximately \$2.4 million.

Moved by: Garry Cubitt Seconded by: Karen Fisher "THAT the Board finds that all provisions of the Financial Conditions and Activities have been complied with."

Carried. M389-19

Moved by: Karen Fisher Seconded by: Patrice Barnes "THAT the Board finds that all provisions of the Strategic and Financial Planning have been complied with."

Carried. M390-19

Consent Items

The Human Resources update was reviewed by the Board. Chair Ashe inquired how many of the authorized strength are on leave or accommodated. Ms. Britton stated 15% to 18% are not fully deployed.

Moved by: Patrice Barnes Seconded by: Karen Fisher "THAT the Human Resources Update be received by the Board."

Carried. M391-19

Chief's Update

Chief Martin provided an operational update on major initiatives and incidents addressed by the Service over the last month.

Chief Martin on behalf of the Service and Chair Ashe on behalf of the Board expressed thanks to all the Auxiliary officers for the many hours of great volunteer work in this busy time of the year.

Moved by: Karen Fisher Seconded by: Patrice Barnes "THAT the Chief, Deputy Chiefs and CAO monthly update reports be received for information."

Carried. M392-19

New Business

Moved by: Karen Fisher Seconded by: Patrice Barnes "THAT the Board receives for information the Report of the Expert Panel of Police Officer Deaths by Suicide; and

THAT discussions continue with Service leadership on the importance of the mental health of DRPS members and that this priority be adequately reflected in the Strategic Plan 2020; and

THAT a copy be shared with Durham Beyond the Blue."

Carried. M393-19

Moved by: Patrice Barnes Seconded by: Steve deBoer "THAT the Board receives the Management of the Unclaimed Money and Property Account Policy Annual review for information; and

THAT no immediate changes take place and that the Board continue with the current funding approach for the upcoming calendar year; and THAT an update on the status of the account and a recommendation for 2021 be provided in November 2020."

Carried. M394-19

Moved by: Garry Cubitt Seconded by: Steve deBoer "THAT the Board receives for information the Police Resources in Canada, 2018 report."

Carried. M395-19

Moved by: Bobbie Drew Seconded by: Steve deBoer "THAT the Board approves the Reporting Schedule for 2020."

Carried. M396-19

Moved by: Garry Cubitt Seconded by: Steve deBoer "THAT the Board approve the pre-budget request to purchase as soon as practicable 36 vehicles included in the Board budget which meets the Region's guideline and before the final Regional approval of the 2020 budget, at a total cost not to exceed \$1,612,192; and

THAT the Board request the Commissioner of Finance for Durham Region, to place this request for pre-budget approval before the Committee of the Whole of Regional Council and Regional Council, at the earliest opportunity to allow the Service to make the purchases."

M397-19

Moved by: John Henry Seconded by: Karen Fisher "THAT the Board Policy Review report be received for information; and

THAT the Board Strategic Planning and Policy Committee undertake and lead the policy review commencing early in the New Year."

Carried. M398-19

The 2020 Budget overview was discussed by the Board. Chief Martin advised the Board in order to meet the guideline set by the Region, the current budget is not without risk to future programs and services. Ms. Fisher stated she is looking forward to receiving capital reserve plans for the future. Mr. Henry stated that the Region is trying to balance demands for spending increases and deliver the very best model to our citizens. Mr. Cubitt indicated that he had a question related to contractual obligations and inquired if the discussion should be held in camera.

Moved by: Garry Cubitt Seconded by: Steve deBoer "THAT the Board refer the 2020 Budget overview discussion to In Camera." Carried. M399-19

Calendar of Events

Moved by: Karen Fisher Seconded by: John Henry "THAT the 2019 and 2020 Calendar of Events be received for information." Carried. M400-19

Follow Up Action Items

Moved by: Patrice Barnes Seconded by: Karen Fisher "THAT the Public Follow Up Action Items Log of Incomplete Items be approved."

Carried. M401-19

Donation(s)

Moved by: Bobbie Drew Seconded by: Karen Fisher "THAT the Board approve a sponsorship of \$4,350 to Victim Services of Durham Region; and

THAT the monies be paid from the Unclaimed Money and Property Fund." Carried. M402-19

Moved by: John Henry Seconded by: Patrice Barnes "THAT the Board approve a corporate sponsorship of \$5,000 to Durham Regional Police K9 Unit Charity Calendar 2020 to be donated to Epilepsy of Durham Region, Alzheimer's Durham and The Animal Guardian Society; and

THAT the monies be paid from the Unclaimed Money and Property Fund." Carried. M403-19

Moved by: Karen Fisher Seconded by: Bobbie Drew "THAT the Board approve an annual sponsorship of \$5,000 to Grandview Children's Foundation; and

THAT the monies be paid from the Unclaimed Money and Property Fund." Carried. M404-19

Letters of Appreciation

Moved by: John Henry Seconded by: Garry Cubitt "THAT the letters of Appreciation be received for information."

Carried. M405-19

General Information

Moved by: Garry Cubitt Seconded by: Karen Fisher "THAT the Durham Region Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (CSWP) (Report 2019-22-17) be received for information."

Carried. M406-19

Moved by: Karen Fisher Seconded by: Patrice Barnes "THAT the All Chiefs Memo 2019-0081 Introduction of the Provincial Animal Welfare Services Act, 2019 be received for information."

Carried. M407-19

Moved by: Steve deBoer Seconded by: Patrice Barnes "THAT the Next Generation 911 – Joint Committee Statement be received for information."

Carried. M408-19

Other Business

Ms. Patrice Barnes asked Chief Martin about the Dafonte Miller case and stated she has had some community concern expressed around DRPS involvement in this case. She inquired if the Service in retrospect had any lessons learned on the way this incident was handled.

Chief Martin stated that the file is still in front of the courts. He noted that Durham Regional Police Service have now adopted a policy that requires the Service to notify the SIU in all instances that meet the agency's mandate, whether the officer involved is a Durham officer or not. Chief Martin stated that a complaint has been filed with the Office of the Independent Police Review Director and remains active.

Chair Ashe requested that a heading of "Board Member's Reports" be added to the Public and In Camera agendas going forward providing the opportunity for Board Members to make comments or submit reports about learning opportunities that they have experienced.

Moved by: John Henry Seconded by: Karen Fisher "THAT we move in-camera."

Carried. M409-19

Recessed at: 10:10 a.m. Reconvened at: 10:25 a.m.

Karen Fisher

Moved by: Garry Cubitt Seconded by:

"THAT we rise from in-camera."

Carried. M424-19

Adjournment

Moved by: Gary Cubitt Seconded by: Steve deBoer

"THAT the Board ratify all actions taken in-camera."

Carried. M425-19

Other Business

John Henry suggested the Board send a letter to the Premier requesting further funding from the Province for frontline policing given the challenges and pressures occurring. As well put together a report forecasting the growth for the next 10 years representing the changes of Durham Region based on current application for additional growth to bring to Council.

Moved by: John Henry Seconded by: Patrice Barnes "THAT the Board approve the proposed DRPS budget increase of 3.2% as recommended by the Regional Finance and Administration Committee; and

THAT the Board send a letter to the Premier of Ontario requesting additional grant funding for frontline staff to allow the DRPS to further collaborate with other human services agencies in dealing with community safety and disorder issues related to homelessness, addiction and mental health; and

THAT the Board request that there be greater collaboration between the DRPS, the Region and local government on forecasting the need for growth in police personnel; and

THAT the Board inform the Region that it would appreciate further discussion about the potential for a revised guideline to allow for additional frontline officers to be hired in 2020; and

THAT information about projected police budgets in other GTA communities be shared with the Region."

Carried.

M426-19

Moved by: Patrice Barnes Seconded by: Karen Fisher

"THAT the Board ratify all actions of today's date."

Carried. M427-19

M428-19

Seconded by: Patrice Barnes

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11	:55a.m.	
	Kevin Ashe, G	Chair

Moved by: Steve deBoer "THAT the meeting be adjourned."

Carried.