DURHAM REGIONAL POLICE SERVICES BOARD

BOARD MINUTES

September 11, 2017

08:30h

Present:
Roger Anderson, Chair
Allan Furlong, Vice-Chair
Bill McLean, Member
Bobbie Drew, Member
Rose Rockbrune, Member
Randy Wilson, Member
Stindar Lal, Member
Paul Martin, Chief of Police
Chris Fernandes, Deputy Chief
Uday Jaswal, Deputy Chief
Stan MacLellan, Chief Administrative Officer
Bill Clancy, Executive Director
Anita Longo, Executive Assistant

PUBLIC

Call to Order

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on July 10, 2017 be approved."
Carried. M279-17

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the minutes of the special meeting of the Board held on August 9, 2017 be approved."
Carried. M280-17

Mr. David Steer, CEO of Global Traffic Management presented to the Board an overview of his company's services as they relate to automated speed enforcement in school zones and community safety zones and he emphasized that communities that have deployed his company's technology have achieved significant improvements to road safety.

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Allan Furlong
"THAT the Automated Speed Enforcement Presentation from Global Traffic Group Ltd be received for information; and

THAT a copy of the presentation be passed on to local municipalities for information."
Carried. M281-17

Monitoring Reports

The Board discussed the Community Safety monitoring report. Chair Anderson inquired if there is a way to find out from our comparators whether they have also experienced increases in the reporting of assaults in senior homes. Mr. Brad Carter stated he can ask for the breakdown. Mr. McLean asked if the number of street checks conducted has changed since the introduction of the new Regulation. The Chief advised that he could give an update at the next meeting.

Moved by: Bobbie Drew Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the Board finds that all provisions of the Community Safety Ends policy have been complied with."
Carried. M282-17

The Financial Conditions and Activities monitoring report was reviewed by the Board. Mr. McLean asked about the increase in expenditures for the professional services and legal services accounts. Chair Anderson asked how the $2 million potential variance will be offset. Mr. le Riche stated a concern is the higher number of members who have decided to retire and that this figure is estimated each year and is anticipating higher retirement costs in 2017 that could range from $1 million to $2 million. He stated that the Service will need to deal with this issue when it occurs. Chair Anderson asked the Chief to bring back an update to the Board in October and November on how this will be dealt with. Chief Martin stated that the Service will continue to monitor and that the patterns are changing but will keep the Board updated.

Moved by: Bobbie Drew Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the Board finds the Durham Regional Police compliant with all provisions of the Financial Conditions and Activities Executive Limitations policy; and

THAT the Board is updated each month for the rest of the year regarding retirement numbers."
Carried. M283-17

Moved by: Stindar Lal Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the Board find compliance with the Board Staff policy."
Carried. M284-17

Moved by: Randy Wilson Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the Board finds compliance with all provisions of Global Executive Limitations policy."
Carried. M285-17

Consent Items

Moved by: Bobbie Drew Seconded by: Allan Furlong
"THAT the Human Resources Update be received by the Board."
Carried. M286-17

Chief's Update

Chief Martin advised the Board that Acting Inspector Jacki Minicola was recently featured in the summer edition of the Profiles in Diversity Journal in its "Women Worth Watching" series. Chief Martin and Chair Anderson congratulated her on her recent award and achievements with the Durham Region Police Service.

Moved by: Allan Furlong Seconded by: Randy Wilson
"THAT the Chief, Deputy Chiefs and CAO monthly update reports be received for information."
Carried. M287-17

Recessed at: 10: 00 a.m.
Reconvened at: 10:15 a.m.

New Business

Staff Sergeant Hutchinson provided an update to the Board on the progress of Continuous Improvement. Chair Anderson asked if savings from this initiative are reflected in the budget. Mr. MacLellan confirmed that any savings will be reflected in the budget.

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the update on the Continuous Improvement progress be received for information."
Carried. M288-17

Inspector Bruce Townley provided the Board with an update on the new Mental Health Response Unit and introduced the newest members under a new partnership with Lakeridge Health, Paul McGarry, RN's Brenda O'Neill and Paige Walton as well as Constables Kayleen Browell and Luke Zebrak. The two teams that went operational mid-August have seen improvements which includes an experienced Registered Nurse partnered with a DRP officer with specialized training in mental health response. Chair Anderson asked for a report to be brought back to the Board to gain an idea of how many

officers who can deal with mental health are on the road on average for each shift across the Region to provide the public with an understanding. Inspector Bruce Townley stated currently more than 180 front-line police officers have received specialized training in mental health response in addition to the new Mental Health Response Unit and we train approximately 20 more officers each year.

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Bobbie Drew
"THAT the Mental Health Response Unit Report be received for information; and

THAT a report on the average number of officers trained to deal with mental health issues be presented to the Board."
Carried. M289-17

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Allan Furlong
"THAT the July 14 -16, 2017 Canadian Association of Police Services Boards (CAPG) Conference Summary Report be received for information."
Carried. M290-17

Inspector Townley provided the Board with a verbal update on the Verdict of Coroner's Jury regarding Michael MacIsaac. He stated that a number of recommendations have been made and are already in place or being implemented and will be included in the report to be brought back to the Board in December. Chair Anderson indicated that one of the recommendations is to develop a committee of mental health professionals with appropriate people like doctors to sit on this committee and to include this in the report. Inspector Townley stated he will take this into account.

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the verdict of coroner's jury regarding Michael MacIsaac be received for information; and

THAT a report and a proposed response to the coroner be drafted for the Chief and Chair to respond back to these recommendations presented."
Carried. M291-17

Chief Martin announced to the Board that effective immediately he is changing the Durham Region Police Service's policy for contacting the SIU in order to be more transparent and accountable. The change arises from the service's administrative review of the Dafonte Miller incident 2016, in which an off-duty Toronto Police officer was involved in an incident that resulted in injuries to Mr. Miller. Chief Martin indicated that the DRPS will continue to work with the police service that employs the officer, but if that Police Service chooses not to notify the SIU, then the DRPS will review the facts and inform the SIU if it believes the injury threshold is met. Chief Martin believes that this change will enhance police accountability and strengthen community trust in our Service.

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Allan Furlo
"THAT the verbal update on DRPS review of Dafonte Miller's incident be received for information; and

THAT the Chair send a letter to the Big 12 Chairs advising them of this new directive."
Carried. M292-17

Calendar of Events

Moved by: Rose Rockbrune Seconded by: Randy Wilson
"THAT the 2017 Calendar of Events be received for information."
Carried. M293-17

Follow Up Action Items

Moved by: Allan Furlong Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the Public Follow Up Action Items Log of Incomplete Items be approved as amended."
Carried. M294-17

Donation(s)

Moved by: Rose Rockbrune Seconded by: Bill McLean
"THAT the Board approve a sponsorship of $3,850 to the Distress Centre Durham to fund the Suicide Prevention training program; and

THAT the monies be paid from the Unclaimed Property Fund."
Carried. M295-17

Moved by: Allan Furlong Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the Board approve a sponsorship of $5,500 to the 2017 Pickering Mayor's Gala; and

THAT the monies be paid from the Unclaimed Property Fund."
Carried. M296-17

Moved by: Bill McLean Seconded by: Rose Rockbrune
"THAT the Board approve a sponsorship of $2,000 to the Ontario Philharmonic 2017 concert series; and

THAT the monies be paid from the Unclaimed Property Fund."
Carried. M297-17

Moved by: Rose Rockbrune Seconded by: Bobbie Drew
"THAT the Board approve a sponsorship of $2,000 to the Annual Durham Regional Police Appreciation Dinner and Awards night; and

THAT the monies be paid from the Unclaimed Property Fund."
Carried. M298-17

Moved by: Rose Rockbrune Seconded by: Bobbie Drew
"THAT the Board receives for information the Ajax Pickering Hospital Foundation Mayor's Charity Dinner sponsorship request."
Carried. M299-17

Letters of Appreciation

Moved by: Rose Rockbrune Seconded by: Randy Wilson
"THAT the letters of appreciation be received for information."
Carried. M300-17

General Information

Moved by: Allan Furlong Seconded by: Randy Wilson
"THAT the correspondence from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services be received for information."
Carried. M301-17

Moved by: Allan Furlong Seconded by: Randy Wilson
"THAT the letter regarding the Special Investigations Unit 2016-2017 Annual Report be received for information."
Carried. M302-17

Moved by: Stindar Lal Seconded by: Bobbie Drew
"THAT we move in-camera."
Carried. M303-17

Moved by: Rose Rockbrune Seconded by: Randy Wilson
"THAT we rise from in-camera."
Carried. M319-17

Adjournment

Moved by: Stindar Lal Seconded by: Randy Wilson
"THAT the Board ratify all actions taken in-camera."
Carried. M320-17

Moved by: Stindar Lal Seconded by: Randy Wilson
"THAT the Board ratify all actions of today's date."
Carried. M321-17

Moved by: Allan Furlong Seconded by: Bill McLean
"THAT the meeting be adjourned."
Carried. M322-17

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:45 p.m.

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Roger Anderson, Chair