

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING
OF THE WINDSOR POLICE SERVICES BOARD
HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2009 – 3:00 P.M.
BOARDROOM, FOURTH FLOOR, WINDSOR POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

PRESENT: Mayor Eddie Francis, Chair
Mr. Irfan Qadir, Vice Chair
Councillor Fulvio Valentinis, Member
Ms. Toni Scislowski, Member
Mr. Nick Dzudz, Member
Mr. George Wilkki, Legal Counsel

Chief Gary Smith
Deputy Chief Jerome Brannagan
Deputy Chief Albert Frederick

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

SECTION 1

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There were no amendments to the agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Mr. Dzudz and carried to approve the minutes of the Regular Public meeting held October 29, 2009.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

A. Media Monitoring of Police Radio Communications:

Chief Smith reported that he has sent correspondence to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, requesting a review of the matter of public access to the radio systems, particularly press access. Processes vary across the province and in western Canada some police services have entered into contracts with the media to provide them with radios. Mayor Francis questioned whether we could enter into such a contract until the Ministry makes its decision. Chief Smith advised the problem is that the Freedom of Information Act prohibits giving out addresses; and young offender and criminal information goes out over the radio, and this is why the radios are encrypted. The O.P.P. do not have encrypted radios. Chief Smith noted that London and Windsor have web portals, however they are not kept up if personnel are busy.

Moved by Mr. Valentinis, seconded by Ms. Scislowski and carried to receive the information provided.

B. Cellular Telephone Contract:

Chief Smith advised that the Board previously approved this purchase. The Bell contract has been signed by Chief Smith and sets out fee structure and the extra components. There have been no issues with service. The internal systems will be upgraded for better reception in the building and this is expected to be done in January or February. There are no problems with the Toronto connections.

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Nick Dzudz, and carried to receive, note and file the cellular telephone contract.

Mr. Qadir joined the meeting at 3:38 p.m. and Mayor Francis and Mr. Wilkki left the meeting.

C. Contract Duty Report:

Chief Smith provided a report and noted that the Board gave Administration direction to bring financing of contract duties in-house. Chief Smith reported that Joseph Anthony Fine Jewelry had reported some dissatisfaction with the service. The purpose of contract duty at Joseph Anthony is major crime prevention and because of that, the Board permitted Joseph Anthony to be designated as a unique contract site. Detective LeClair monitors this particular service, trains persons specific to this location, and schedules the officers. There have been no further issues and Joseph Anthony Fine Jewelry is pleased with the service being provided. Chief Smith provided a report from Detective LeClair and Joseph Anthony Fine Jewelry.

Chief Smith reported that he met with Bluesfest International management who would like to pick a Sergeant or Detective to work that festival because they do not have time to train. Chief Smith noted there has only been one major crime at this festival. Chief Smith turned down this request but instructions were given through Deputy Chief Brannagan to ensure that roles were clear and that there is a Sergeant supervising at contract duty sites. Chief Smith has received no feedback from the Bluesfest this year.

Chief Smith recommended continuing service in the same way to Joseph Anthony Fine Jewelry but noted that the Windsor Police Association did not support this and their preference would be that every contract duty be treated the same.

Chief Smith advised that since moving to this format, the projected revenue has gone from \$400,000 to approximately \$100,000 this year, due to many of the hirers of contract duty (Ambassador Bridge, LCBO, Chatham Street Walk, Tunnel) having dropped their contracts due to the economy or hiring security firms. There is also an issue of non-payment of administration fees, which cases have been turned over to collection agencies. Fees not recovered must come out of the operating budget.

Mr. Dzudz noted that he remains opposed to the unique contract as someone was hired and a plan was put in place, now certain contracts have the ability to "pick and choose" staff. Chief Smith advised that everyone can apply for this contract duty, and neither Detective LeClair nor Joseph Anthony Fine Jewelry can choose the individuals who work, however, the Detective LeClair does specifically train the individuals for this contract.

Mr. Willki joined the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Mr. Qadir questioned whether we could set a protocol and request a deposit, pre-qualification or credit investigations in order to avoid the non-payment of fees. Chief Smith will look into this.

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Ms. Scislowski, and carried to receive, note, and file the report.

4. DELEGATIONS

SECTION 2

1. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Statement of Claim of Kelley Curtis;
- B. Statement of Claim of Robert Fleming and Michael Fleming;
- C. Statement of Claim of Jeffrey George and Kerri George;
- D. Statement of Claim of Rony Salman;
- E. Statement of Claim of Giovanni Cortese;
- F. Statement of Claim of Carol Peebles;
- G. Statement of Claim of Mohamad Jouduh;
- H. Statement of Claim of Arnaldo Isaias Ramos Pinto;
- I. Statement of Claim of Joseph Badour and Joanne Badour; and
- J. Statement of Claim of Fade Atala:

Chief Smith noted that these Claims did not all come up at one time; the Board does not receive the Claims until a Statement of Defence has been filed. These had not been kept up to date due to the City strike and due to having no Board meetings over the summer. The Statements of Claim and Statements of Defence are available from the court house.

Moved by Ms. Scislowski, seconded by Mr. Dzudz, and carried to receive, note, and file the Statements of Claim.

- K. Trade Marks Act Matter – RBI Toys, Inc.:

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Ms. Scislowski, and carried to approve the following:

RESOLVED THAT the Windsor Police Services Board approves the Administrative Assistant sending correspondence to RBI Toys Inc. to confirm whether they still require permission to use the WPS crest and if so, to forward an appropriate request to the Board, and advising that if no response is received, the permission will expire at the end of 2009.

SECTION 3

1. REPORTS

A. Crime Stoppers – October 2009;

B. Crime Statistics – October 2009:

Chief Smith noted that the property recovered is significantly lower and drug seized are up as well as the rewards authorized. As this ebbs and flows, Chief Smith will request from Crimestoppers a comparison for the last several years for a better idea of what is happening.

Moved by Mr. Dzudz, seconded by Ms. Scislowski, and carried to receive, note and file the Crimestoppers and Crime Statistics October reports.

C. Professional Standards Branch Reports – October 2009:

Chief Smith reported on changes to the way investigations are conducted and reporting procedures to the Office of the Police Review. Chief Smith anticipates an increased workload as a result, however, the benefits are such that there is an ability for local resolution - to come to a joint resolution with the complainant regarding police conduct. Complainants still have the right to appeal to the Ontario Civilian Commission on Police Services (OCCOPS) and also to approach the Office of the Independent Police Review Director (OIPRD) if they are not pleased with the Professional Standards Branch's handling of the complaint. It was also noted that patterns with officers are readily monitored.

Moved by Mr. Dzudz, seconded by Councillor Valentinis and carried to receive, note, and file the report.

D. Crime Stoppers – November 2009:

Moved by Mr. Dzudz, seconded by Ms. Scislowski, and carried to receive, note, and file the report.

SECTION 4

1. POLICY

SECTION 5

1. SERVICE BUDGET/FINANCIAL MATTERS/BOARD ACCOUNTS

A. Accounts Payable (under \$1,000)

Koolini's (October 29/09 Board meeting)	\$ 68.55
Janette Florist (Mark Landry Sympathy Arrangement)	\$113.00
The Trophy Boys (Auxiliary Police Awards)	\$ 219.22

B. Accounts Payable over \$1,000.00

Caboto Club (Landry Luncheon Oct 23/09) (WPA will reimburse 50%)	\$6,703.73
Waffles Laminating (24 retirement plaques)	\$2,031.30
Caboto Club (Auxiliary Banquet)	\$3,527.01

Moved by Ms. Scislowski, seconded by Mr. Dzudz, and carried, to approve the accounts payable as presented.

C. Accounts Receivable

Funds from terminated cases	\$4,359.36
Funds transferred from Board money market account	\$12,000.00

Moved by Ms. Scislowski, seconded by Mr. Dzudz, and carried, to receive, note, and file accounts receivable as presented.

D. Petty Cash:

Moved by Ms. Scislowski, seconded by Mr. Dzudz, and carried, for approval as follows:

RESOLVED THAT the request to replenish the Board Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$162.10 be approved as requested in the December 3, 2009 memo of Karen A. Ceman, Administrative Assistant.

SECTION 6

1. PERSONNEL MATTERS/MULTICULTURAL RECRUITMENT/LABOUR RELATIONS

A. Windsor Police Auxiliary Promotion:

Moved by Ms. Scislowski, seconded by Valentinis, and carried to receive, note, and file the information.

B. Windsor Police Special Constable – University of Windsor Campus Police Appointment:

Moved by Ms. Scislowski, seconded by Valentinis, and carried for approval as follows:

**RESOLVED THAT the Windsor Police Services Board approves the appointment of the following named as Special Constable for the University of Windsor Campus Community Police.
Ramcharran RAMOTAR**

SECTION 7

1. PLANT/EQUIPMENT/PHYSICAL RESOURCES

SECTION 8

1. READING/INFORMATION

- A. Thank You card from Rose Landry and Family;
- B. Thank You cards to Chief Smith and Deputy Chief Brannagan from V.O.N. (Meals on Wheels); and
- C. Thank You letter from Crimestoppers dated October 26, 2009 re: donation:

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Mr. Dzudz and carried to receive, note, and file the correspondence.

Mayor Francis joined the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

- D. Correspondence from Big 12 re: Default Parking Ticket Payments from out-of-province owners:

Moved by Mayor Francis, seconded by Ms. Scislowski, and carried to receive, note and file the correspondence.

2. MINISTRY OF COMMUNITY SAFETY & CORRECTIONAL SERVICES & GOVERNMENT MATTERS

SECTION 9

1. O.A.P.S.B. COMMUNICATIONS/BOARD MATTERS

- A. Tentative 2010 Board Meeting Schedule:

Councillor Valentinis advised his schedule would be finalized by the end of the week, however, Thursdays so far were good for him.

2. UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS

- Next Regular Public Meeting: Thursday, January 21, 2010, 11 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

MS. KAREN A. CEMAN
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

APPROVED THIS 21st DAY OF JANUARY, 2010.

MR. IRFAN QADIR, VICE CHAIR
WINDSOR POLICE SERVICES BOARD