



Ottawa Police Services Board

Minutes

Meeting #: 84
Date: June 26, 2023
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Electronic Participation

Present: Chair: Gail Beck, Mayor Mark Sutcliffe, Councillor Cathy Curry, Councillor Marty Carr, Michael Doucet, Vice Chair: Salim Fakirani, Peter Henschel.

1. Notices and meeting information for participants and members of the public
2. Ceremonial Activities and Announcements

The Board Chair announced the permanent appointments of Deputy Chiefs Paul Burnett and Trish Ferguson.

3. Confirmation of Agenda

That the Ottawa Police Services Board confirm the agenda of the 26 June 2023 meeting.

Carried

4. Confirmation of Minutes

4.1 Minutes #82 of 29 May 2023

That the Ottawa Police Services Board confirm Minutes #82 of the 29 May 2023 meeting.

Carried

5. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

6. Public Delegations

Chair Beck declared a conflict of interest in relation to a delegation request that was received as the comments therein were about her. She noted the remarks were inappropriate and a misrepresentation of her statements. Further, the request was not in keeping with the Board's procedural guidelines. The Vice Chair was asked to take the Chair so the Chair could raise a point of privilege. The delegation request was previously circulated to the Board.

The Board was asked to vote on whether to permit the delegation.

That the Ottawa Police Services Board deem the delegation request inappropriate and sustain the point of privilege raised by the Chair.

Carried

7. Inquiries

There were no Inquiries.

8. Items of Business

8.1 Chair's verbal report

Chair's report

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

8.2 Chief's verbal report

Chief's report

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

8.3 150 Isabella Street – Lease Renewal

Chief's report

In response to a question, it was clarified that there is an option to renew the lease beyond five years, as well as an option to end the lease after three years, depending on needs.

That the Ottawa Police Services Board approve the execution of a Lease Renewal with Metcalf Realty Company Limited for approximately 3,034 square feet of office space on the sixth floor of 150 Isabella Street for a period of five years, commencing August 1, 2023.

Carried

8.4 South Facility Project Scope Adjustment

Chief's report

The Service noted they do not anticipate coming to the Board for more money for the South Facility as the overall capital budget envelope still has funds available. The Service needs to identify which projects will be delayed.

In terms of co-location with the City, since the City is currently reviewing their assets, they can't commit to co-occupying the South Facility however there are still opportunities to partner with other services as the South Facility will be a campus site with other buildings.

The return of Queensview to the City within 5-10 years was unexpected however these services can move over to South Facility at which point the Service will occupy the whole building.

The one remaining gap is the fact that Queensview was chosen for its location and accessibility for community members needing records checks

and other services. This will need to be looked at when the location moves.

That the Ottawa Police Services Board direct the Ottawa Police Service to modify the scope of the South Facility Project to include the design development of Phase B.2 for full occupancy by the Service.

Carried

8.5 Appointment of Special Constable: Carleton University

Chief's report

That the Ottawa Police Services Board approve the appointment of the Carleton University employee listed in Document 1 as a Special Constable pursuant to Section 53 of the Police Services Act, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Approval of Appointment Form.

Carried

8.6 Delegation of Special Constable Status: RCMP

Chief's report

That the Ottawa Police Services Board delegate authority to the Chair and Vice-Chair to approve:

- 1. appointments of special constable status in relation to Canada Day 2023;**
- 2. any memorandums of understanding that are required by the Ottawa Police Service to secure resources from other police services to assist with the operational response to Canada Day.**

Any exercise of this delegated authority will be reported out at the next regular meeting of the Board, to be ratified as part of the minutes.

Carried

8.7 2022 Ottawa Police Service Annual Report

Chief's report

It was noted that Ottawa is not alone in terms of the increases occurring in levels of crime and that a holistic, multi-sectoral effort is needed to tackle social issues and root causes. Police do have a role to play, particularly with prolific offenders who can be targeted using intelligence-led, proactive policing efforts. More work can be done from a crime prevention lens.

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

8.8 Update to Recommendations made by the Public Order Emergency Commission and the City Auditor General's Reports

Chief's report

The Service noted it was confident it would meet the stated timelines in the report as a lot is already in place. Some recommendations are more geared towards policing in general and the OPS is working with its partners.

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

8.9 Professional Standards Unit - 2022 Annual Report

Chief's report

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

8.10 Workforce Management Report: First Quarter 2023

Chief's report

It was clarified that the reported retirements do not include resignations, which are reported on separately. The Service is working on rebuilding their exit strategy process and noted that most members who are resigning are either going to another police service which allows them to return to 'something' – whether it be family or a location where they grew up; or they are leaving policing for another career.

In terms of hiring, the fourth intake will not start until next year. The available seats for new recruit classes has increased so OPS has asked for more seats; they are not yet sure if they will receive them.

A request was made for the Service to provide the Board with an accurate number of officers it feels it needs to hire to police the city and then the Board can determine what can be realistically achieved.

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

8.11 Sworn Promotion Process – 2022 Annual Report

Chief's report

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

8.12 Outstanding Board Inquiries & Motions: June 2023

Executive Director's report

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

8.13 Letters of Commendation: June 2023

Chief's report

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

Received

9. Other Business

10. In Camera Items

The in camera meeting was held prior to the public meeting and the following items were discussed:

1. Canada Day Briefing
2. SIU report
3. Labour Relations Matter
4. Labour Relations Matter
5. Delay Application

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 05:25pm.

12. Next Meeting

Regular Meeting – Monday, July 24, 2023 - 4:00 PM