

Chair's verbal report

June 27, 2022

Death of Cst. Mathiyalaghan

- On June 15, our police service and our community tragically lost Cst. Math-ih-yah-la-han following a single vehicle collision.
- This young constable started his policing career in November of 2020.
- In his short time with our Service, he had already made his mark as a kind, gentle and welcoming individual.
- Our thoughts and prayers go to this family and loved ones, as well as his policing family.
- He will be greatly missed.
- I'd like us to observe a short moment of silence out of respect for the Constable and his family.

Chief Recruitment

- Last week, the Board officially launched the community engagement process for the Chief of Police recruitment.
- The process is being run by Ottawa-based firm Hefid.Solutions.
- Residents are able to complete a survey online to provide their feedback.
- The survey will remain open until July 13.
- Residents can also register and attend a Zoom session on July 8.
- In addition to the survey and Zoom session on July 8,

Hefid.Solutions will also be doing targeted outreach with various representatives in the community.

- For more details, you can visit the Board's website.
- A report-back on the findings of the community engagement is expected at the Board's July 25 meeting.

Diversity Celebration

- Last Wednesday I had the pleasure of attending the Ottawa Police's Annual Diversity Celebration, along with a few of my Board colleagues.
- It was a wonderful celebration of the diversity and the richness of cultures that make up Canada's mosaic.
- I want to thank the OPS for hosting this community-building event.

Canada Day

- Finally, I would like to make a few comments about Canada Day.
- We will be receiving an update from Interim Chief Bell this evening on the OPS's public safety planning.
- They will also be keeping stakeholders, including residents, updated throughout the week, primarily through the Ottawa Police twitter account.
- Extra resources are being brought in to ensure community safety.
- The OPS have a duty to ensure the right to lawful and peaceful demonstrations is protected.
- However the conditions that led to the unlawful protests

in February will not be allowed to reoccur.

- Chief Bell and his staff will provide further updates on their operational plan later this evening.