

# Minutes

## City of Morden Police Board



Tuesday, September 24th , 2019 @ 3:00pm – Morden Civic Centre

Present: Rich Harries (Chair), Chief Brad Neduzak, Stephen Ross, Linda Doerksen, Hank Hildebrand , Jim Hunt and Brandi Saunders (recorder) guest- Dale Hiebert

1.0 Call to Order at 3:01pm

2.0 Regrets: Nil

3.0 Adoption of Agenda : M: Jim S: Linda, Carried

4.0 Approval of Previous Minutes November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
M: Linda S: Jim, Carried.

5.0 Delegations  
Nil

6.0 Executive Reports

A: Chief's Reports – Brad had circulated the monthly reports and asked if anyone had any questions. Brad stated it was an active summer with lots of thefts from vehicles and thefts of vehicles. He mentioned that the file count has gone up by 122 files since January 1<sup>st</sup> to present. Brad advised that the Morden Police Service has started a new social media campaign called Lock It Up. He explained it is a reminder to the public to check their sheds, garages doors, and cars to ensure they are locked and valuables are put away. The department is hoping it will be effective and reduce Break and Enters and thefts. Brad informed the board that a new program called TRACR (Tactical Response and Crime Reduction) has started. It is a Provincial Interdiction Team, combined services and Intel sharing to focus on illicit drugs, weapons and wanted individuals coming into the Province. The program involves setting up checkpoints throughout strategic areas and communities, moving them around to various locations in the province. Brad stated that the team has already done 2, which one was in Headingley and one in Brandon. Brad mentioned that so many of these individuals are operating all over the province, including Winnipeg and Brandon, finding their way out to our area and have a definite impact to the crime in the area. Brad advised the board that it is that time of year where

training is happening with the members. In September, one of the members attended a 5 day course - Search Warrant Drafting in Winnipeg. In October, the annual firearms Qualifications and Use of Force Training will begin, which is a 2 week period. In November a 3 day Search and Seizure Course will take in Winnipeg. In December 2 members will be attending a Major Crimes Investigative Techniques course for 2 weeks in Ottawa. Brad explained the application process is in full swing. August 8<sup>th</sup>, 13 wrote the Police Constable Examine, from there it was narrowed down to 5 for an interview but unfortunately, one of the applicants already accepted a position with Brandon Police Service. On September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 4 applicants were interviewed and now are having them come on a ride along to get some valuable input from our members on the applicants. The next stage will be the background checks which will involve personal visits and interview with the applicant's references, family members and friends. Brad is hoping they will make a decision in October to order the kit and clothing. In January 2020, the successful candidate will head to Regina for 5 months of training with graduation in May. One of the board members went on a ride along with Cst. Hiebert and thanked him for the opportunity and found it to be very effective and learnt a lot. The board also thanked Brad for taking part in the Fuel Good Day through Co-op. The board thought it would be a good idea for the Morden Police Service to buy a table to attend the Altona Police Ball.

## 7.0 Other New Business

A. Strategic Plan Adoption – See Attachment. All board members agreed to approve it.

M-Linda S-Hank Carried.

i. Ongoing Monitoring & Reporting-

The board will revisit in June 2020 meeting and approve it in September for 2021. Going forward Brad is to start reporting the targets and measurements.

B. Police Board Advocacy

There was discussion around what the board could do going forward to support and advocate for Brad and the Morden Police Service.

## 8.0 Financial Report

A. 2019 Budget Update

Brad advised the board that the budget appears to be right on track and slightly under budget at this time. Brad mentioned to the board that there will be a major impact coming up with replacement and upgrade of the entire Fleetnet system in the Province. The deadline for upgrade and implementation of the new system will be May 2021. Brad stated that currently we have 23 radios, which the department will have to purchase 19 at a cost of approximately \$5000.00 each totally \$95,000.00. Right now the Province has not committed to funding any of the cost but is hoping perhaps a Criminal Property Forfeiture Grant might be accepted for this. At this point, Brad is waiting to hear if the Province will be funding it. A board member mentioned to present it to the committee and forward it to AMM.

## 9.0 Old Business

### A. Update on Police Services Act Review

A consultation presentation in Winkler was to be announced but hasn't heard anything has of yet.

### B. 2019 Community Engagement

The board will focus on the campaigns that Brad is doing and will talk to the new communication person about doing another on-line community survey they have done in the past.

## 10.0 Performance Review

The performance review will cover September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018- August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. The performance review document will be sent out by email in early November and discussed with the Chief at the next meeting.

## 11.0 Closing Question Period

Our guest agreed with the 11<sup>th</sup> and Thornhill St. issue and that it was a good idea to focus on that intersection. Our guest mentioned that he would like to see the police service in the future get a new scanning device for issuing tickets that the RCMP have. He feels it would save the members a lot of work.

## 12.0 Next Meeting Date:

November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 3:00pm ( Morden Civic Centre)

## 13.0 In Camera at 4:16-4:46pm

## 14.0 Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:16pm.