



## City of Morden Police Board

### MEETING Minutes


in-camera


**Date/Time:** June 16, 2022  
**Location:** City of Morden Board Room  
**Chair:** Lee Bassett  
**Recorder:** Brandi Saunders

**Attendees:** Brad Neduzak  
 Colin Harbinson  
 Gord Maddock  
 Irma Maier  
 Serge Peters

Jim Hunt  
 Lee Bassett  
 Nancy Penner  
 Sean Aune

**Regrets:**

Agenda Item	Item & Summary of Discussion	Action/Decision
1. Call to Order	Lee called the meeting to order @ 2:57pm	
2. Adoption of Agenda	<b>Moved by:</b> Irma Maier that the agenda be accepted as presented. Seconded by Colin Harbinson. <b>Unanimously carried.</b>	
3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes	<b>Moved by:</b> Serge Peters that the minutes of the meeting March 17, 2022 be adopted as presented. Seconded by Gord Maddock. <b>Unanimously carried.</b>	
4. Delegations	None	
5. Standing Item	<p><b>5.1 Financial Report –</b></p>  <p>2022-05-31 MPS            Budget Report YTD.p</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chief distributed the financial report and 37% used. Budget right on track.</li> <li>• Capital budget used for new vehicle, 2022 Ford Explorer Interceptor, which has arrived and is in Winnipeg to be fitted with the equipment.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unanticipated costs related to repairs on existing vehicle. Vehicle not up for replacement until 2025.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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	<p><b>5.2 Strategic Plan Metrics –</b></p>  <p>MPS Strategic Plan on a page 2020 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities requiring police involvement has picked up possibly due to approaching summer weather. Traffic offences are down and attributable to a hiatus in MPI check stops. Awaiting approval from MPI to commence check stops again.</li> <li>• Three community engagement activities noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Bike safety presentation at the elementary schools</li> <li>♦ 500 Stephen Street – MPS attended a Q &amp; A session, provided staff of 500 Stephen Street the opportunity to meet with members to discuss safety concerns.</li> <li>♦ Homestead – Chief provided a presentation on scams and use of scooters on the roadways and sidewalks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Members will be making an appearance at safe grad.</li> <li>• No complaints received related to the MPS or members. No ongoing LERA investigations.</li> <li>• COPP (Citizens on Patrol Program) going well. Sgt. EDWARDS arranged ride along with members.</li> <li>• Board asked about the homeless person that is in town.</li> <li>• Ice taken to Border Control for meet and greet.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>5.3 Chief's Report –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asked if the board have any questions. Thanked everyone who attended Chase's retirement presentation.</li> <li>• K9 update: Cst. WARKENTIN &amp; Ice completed the 8-week drug detection training on May 6, 2022. The tracking training is not until the spring of 2023. Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) was happy with the training outcomes for Cst. WARKENTIN and Ice. They were top of their class. They have been deployed to two incidents.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chief attended regular meetings with Manitoba Emergency Coordination Centre (MECC) in April during and after the spring floods and storms.</li> <li>• Regional Support Tactical Team (RSTT) leaders require training through the National Tactical Officer’s Association. Training sites are most frequently held in the USA and can be costly. Sgt. FLOOK (Morden lead for RSTT) took an innovative approach to reducing the costs for our service and other services in Manitoba. After some research, Sgt. FLOOK arranged for Morden to host the SWAT Team Leaders Course, NTOA. Normally this course is only hosted by larger major police services - very few in Canada. As the host, MPS can register two members for free. This is a substantial saving for MPS in costs for travel, meals and accommodation. The course will be held November 14-18, 2022.</li> <li>• Update on COP (Connected Officers Program)- MPS was given funding for an App on cell phones to connect members to systems normally only available at the office. MPS officers will be able to take witness statements, upload pictures and notes while on the site of a crime. WPS is the pilot project. The App will be functional once the RCMP complete the work required on PROS (system currently used by MPS) to enable the App to work.</li> <li>• Update on police constable application process – Ad placed on MPS website, deadline May 31, 2022. A good selection of applicants was received. The applications were reviewed by the Chief and Inspector. Several individuals were chosen to move to the next step of the process where they write a written exam. The exam is scheduled for June 29, 2022. Then, after the written exam, the chosen applicants will move on to the next step, the medical exam. It was stated it is a long process based on current standards and practices.</li> <li>• Inst. Sean AUNE explained that a use of force report is required for submission to the Chief and himself. Cst. Jon Goertzen, as the use of force instructor, will review the report to provide feedback. The report is also a document that chronicles the occurrence to be used in the future if so required. Inst. Sean AUNE discussed cases where police were required to</li> </ul>	

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	<p>use their knowledge and training in use of force and de-escalation techniques.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inst. Sean AUNE described how the MPS works collaboratively with the Winkler Police Service to maintain adequate services in the communities.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>6. Old Business</b></p>	<p><b>6.1 Community Conversations March 22, 2022 CAPG –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Several members participated in the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) webinar where the Saskatoon Board of Police Commission described how they obtained meaningful feedback from community stakeholders about the safety of the community. MPS Members discussed that this may be a good model to follow for obtaining feedback from the community of Morden.</li> </ul> <p><b>6.2 Strategic Planning Sessions –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mission Statement – members provided their mission statements to the chair to collate.</li> <li>• Environmental Scan – Members discussed the best way to collect what the community feels are our biggest community safety challenges and what we need from our police services.</li> </ul> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Serge Peters that the board develop a plan and move forward with engaging community stakeholders in conversation. Seconded by Irma. All in favor. <b>Unanimously carried.</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Gord Maddock to conduct a community survey like the survey conducted previously. Seconded by Jim Hunt. All in favor. <b>Unanimously carried.</b></p> <p>Discussions ensued regarding member (MPS) surveys.</p>	<p><b>Lee</b> to obtain a copy of the report from the SBPC.</p> <p><b>Lee</b> to forward previous survey to members.</p> <p><b>Nancy</b> will check with the Association of Manitoba Municipalities regarding their survey.</p> <p><b>Irma</b> and <b>Serge</b> will assist with the community engagements project.</p> <p><b>Jim</b> will assist with the survey. <b>All members are expected to review the survey and provide feedback.</b> The board can rely on the city of Morden</p>

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		<p>resources (Dani from Communications) to complete the survey.</p> <p><b>Lee</b> will see if there are any other police services that have used surveys specific to the police members.</p>
<b>7. New Business</b>	<p><b>7.1 Caretaker's Agreement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members reviewed the Caretaker's Agreements used by other police services to support retired police service dogs and their handlers. The board members requested clarification on a few items. The Chief will investigate.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.2 Advertising Newspaper</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members agreed to continue using social media, Pembina Valley Online and the city's website to promote the activities of the board.</li> </ul> <p><b>7.3 Service Dog Demonstration (Cst. Curtis Warkentin and PSD Ice)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cst. WARKENTIN &amp; PSD Ice provided details about Ice's training and provided a demonstration on drug searches.</li> </ul>	
<b>8. Closing Question Period</b>	Not Applicable	
<b>9. In Camera</b>	No motion made to move in to camera.	
<b>10. Next Meeting Date</b>	September 15, 2022 @ 3:00PM	
<b>11. Adjournment</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 PM	