

MINUTES of the open portion of the regular meeting of the OAK BAY POLICE BOARD held in Council Chambers of Oak Bay Municipal Hall, 2167 Oak Bay Ave, Oak Bay, BC, on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT:	Board Members:	Nils Jensen, Chair Mary Kelly Blair Littler Brian Rendell Sandra Waddington
	Police Board Secretary Deputy Chief Constable Recording Secretary	Helen Koning Ray Bernoties Laura Lang
ABSENT:	Chief Constable	Andy Brinton

Prior to the meeting being called to order, Constable Benoit Lanthier attended to meet the Board. He provided the board with some information about himself and his police experience.

Chair called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Agenda approved.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

RESOLVED that minutes of the open portion of the regular meeting of the Oak Bay Police Board, held on Tuesday, September 19, 2017, be adopted.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

2. Financial Report – Estimates as of September 30, 2017.

Budget is on target for year to date.

3. Overtime Report – September, 2017

There are fewer overtime callouts now as members are returning to work. There will be some offsets from Worksafe reimbursements and salary savings. Core training is being done, staff shortages have made it difficult to schedule extra training but the department hopes to increase the available training in 2018.

4. 2013-2017 Strategic Plan Update

Elder Crime Prevention

The department is on target with this initiative and hoping to expand in this area by providing relevant articles to the Oak Bay Volunteers Newsletters. Deputy Chief Bernoties is now on the provincial committee for elder abuse. There is only one police officer in BC on this committee and Deputy Chief Bernoties felt that it was fitting that it is an Oak Bay member.

Traffic Safety & Enforcement

The Reserve Constables have committed 113 hours to the Speed Watch program. They are a knowledgeable, hard-working and committed group who are monitoring distracted driving and

other moving offences in addition to numerous public events. The Speed Watch program, has been promoted on social media with positive feedback. Looking to add two more reserves in 2018.

Roadblocks are being done regularly by members during their regular shifts. One of the more experienced traffic members is monitoring the legalized marijuana issue as it unfolds as to what impact it will have on traffic enforcement. Traffic is one of the highest priorities indicated in the community survey. Deputy Chief Bernoties has prepared statistics for the number of traffic tickets issued in comparison to neighbouring police departments in preparation for the upcoming community meetings being held on October 30.

Youth Crime Prevention

Constable Lueder is now back working in the schools as the School Resource Officer. He is very active in the schools but will also monitor traffic in the school zones. Constable Lueder recently caught a thief attempting to steal a bike from the high school while working undercover. Members participated in a lock-down exercise recently at Oak Bay High. The Oak Bay bike registry has just recently been launched.

Police Visibility

There has been an increase in foot patrols and bike patrols with the Deputy Chief out on an almost daily basis. The Deputy Chief has not been tracking his hours spent on bike patrol, but will add them to the next update. Getting members involved by taking the initiative with community interaction was discussed at a recent Sergeant's meeting.

Integration

There has been limited interest in short term secondment opportunities with other police agencies. There has also been limited ability to do this with our recent staff shortages. The option for these short term secondment and training opportunities has been discussed with area Deputy Chiefs. Oak Bay is the first department to start using the new radios provided by CREST.

Community Engagement

There has been an increase in media relations, both social (Twitter, Facebook) and print, with the Oak Bay News. Friday, October 27, at 2:00 pm, Deputy Chief Bernoties will be participating in a real-time Facebook conversation through the Oak Bay Local Facebook page. There has been a lot of positive feedback regarding the public engagement through social media.

Two community meetings are scheduled for Monday, October 30 to gather community feedback in preparation for the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan. The first to be held from 2:00-3:00 p.m. at the Monterey Centre and the second one to be held from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the Uplands Campus. There will be a Power Point presentation, which will speak to the survey results, followed by a question period open for dialogue and recommendations. Traffic, property crime and visibility & community engagement are the top three priorities from the community survey. Mental health was number four.

The Greater Victoria Police Integrated Units have provided a package, which includes a Power Point presentation and their 2017/2017 Annual Report. This will be posted to the municipal website.

Career Development

Most of the members have taken The Road to Mental Readiness (R2MR) training and we have two members trained in Critical Incident Stress Management and a third will be trained in the near future. Two Reserve Constables and Sergeant Smith will be attending the BC Crime Prevention symposium November 1-4.

An all staff meeting is scheduled for November 28 to discuss the new Strategic Plan initiatives. The 2018-2022 Strategic Plan will be presented to the Police Board at one the November meetings and to Council at the December 11 meeting.

MOVED and seconded: That all of the Departmental Reports be received.

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

5. Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG)
Re 2017 Resolutions

Correspondence from the CAPG regarding the 2017 resolutions received.

6. Greater Victoria Police Integrated Units
Presentation & Annual Report

The Mayor and Deputy Chief attended a meeting along with other Mayors/Police Board Chairs & Chiefs regarding the Integrated Units. Another meeting is scheduled to include RCMP management. There is an intention to approach the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General regarding regulation and governance of the integrated units in keeping with the Police Act. Following the local meetings, the Assistant Deputy Minister may be approached regarding funding and models.

7. 2018 Provisional Budget

Deputy Chief Bernoties spoke to areas of the budget where any change was noted. Regarding the Repairs & Supplies account, it has increased due to \$12,804 for the proposed Real Time Intelligence Centre (RTIC), which may or may not happen in 2018. The Deputy Chief advised that he and the Chief don't feel there is any value in Oak Bay participating in the model as it has currently been presented. There is a need to share intelligence, if the model is to change.

The Deputy Chief provided the rationale for wanting to purchase a van to replace the Mazda, which is the current Community Services vehicle.

MOVED and seconded: For approval in principal to allow Deputy Chief Constable Bernoties to start the procurement process to purchase a Dodge Caravan.

CARRIED

MOVED and seconded: That the 2018 Provisional Budget be approved and presented to Council at one of the November Council meetings.

CARRIED

Board in agreement to amend the agenda by adding item No. 8 – Police Website.

8. Police Website

The Deputy Chief would like Board approval to spend approximately \$3,000 or less from the 2017 budget to create a new autonomous police website.

MOVED and seconded: To approve the development and launch of a Police Department website.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLVED that the open portion of the meeting be adjourned.

The open portion of the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Secretary, Oak Bay Police Board

Chair, Oak Bay Police Board