

**Owen Sound Police Services Board  
Public Meeting  
Wednesday, October 28, 2009  
2nd Floor Meeting Room**

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**Media Present:** Jonathan Jackson, Bayshore Broadcasting

**Members Present:** G. Pierce, G. Levine, A. Wright, B. Twaddle

**Regrets:** W. Murray

**Admin. Present:** Chief T. Kaye and Deputy Chief B. Sornberger

**Minutes:** K. Calver

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1. **Call to Order**

*Chairman declared the Wednesday, October 28, 2009 meeting be called to order at 11:20 a.m. CARRIED*

2. **Approval of Agenda**

*Moved by A. Wright*

*"That the agenda dated October 28, 2009 be approved as distributed." CARRIED*

3. **Approval of Minutes**

*Moved by W. G. Levine*

*"That the minutes dated September 23, 2009 be approved as distributed." CARRIED*

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest arising out of the minutes and matter listed on the agenda. **HEARING NONE.**

5. Business arising out of the minutes dated September 23, 2009 Public Meeting. **HEARING NONE.**

6. **Motion to Approve Payables**

*Moved by G. Levine*

*"That the Outstanding Accounts for the period of September 01 – 30, 2009 in the amount of \$109,137.30 be approved for payment." CARRIED*

7. **Chief's Report**

- The office of the Independent Police Review Director is now open and this new process will be the method of reviewing public complaints against the police.

There is not a huge difference in the way we do business but there are some changes. Any current outstanding complaints prior to Oct. 19 will still be processed under the old system until such time as they are resolved. We may be directed by other police departments to conduct investigations and we pay the bill.

- The service continues to investigate cases of thefts from unlocked vehicles throughout the city. These are preventable crimes and once again the public is being reminded to lock their vehicles at night and not leave any valuables in sight. New campaign has begun called "lock it or loose it". This is an epidemic across the province.
- We will be tracking over the next three months how many people are stopped for using wireless devices while operating a motor vehicle on the travel portion of the highway. Right now it is a public awareness campaign – enforcement comes into effect February 2010. Hopefully people will get the message and be in compliance.
- Arlene Wright asked the question about passing police vehicles who have pulled over another vehicle on the side of the road. Chief explained that you must slow down considerably below the marked speed limit and go as wide as possible cautiously to the left even if it is only two lanes. More publicity is needed on this and we can post it on our website. Our website hits are up to 20,000/month this is due to starting to put on where the radar is posted.

## **8. Deputy Chief's Report**

### **C.O.R.E. and H.E.A.T.**

The C.O.R.E. unit engaged in the following activities during the month of September, 2009:

- 22 Criminal charges
- 9 LLA charges
- Executed 2 arrest warrant
- Submitted 6 contact cards
- Liaised with probation and parole on a regular basis
- Liaised with area high schools and gathered intelligence related to CDSA concerns
- Joint operation with AGCO resulting in 8 LLA charges against the downtown business
- PC Matheson escorted a prisoner from Kingston, ON for a court appearance in Owen Sound
- Identified two suspects in shoplifting at downtown grocery store – trespass notices issued
- Assisted CIB in identifying a male suspect in numerous B & E's

### **H.E.A.T Unit**

The HEAT unit engaged in the following activities for the month of September, 2009:

- Continued to maintain a visible presence in the downtown core and licenced establishments throughout the city.
- Conducted regular and ongoing checks of licenced establishments to ensure liquor licence act compliance.
- Maintained ongoing presence at local schools to deter criminal behaviour.

- Conducted regular foot patrol and checks at the Salmon Spectacular derby beer tent.
- Officer attended the Ontario Police College between September 20<sup>th</sup> and October 2<sup>nd</sup> and completed the Drug Investigation Course.
- Conducted investigations resulting in the laying of 11 criminal charges.
- Recovered a set of stolen licence plates and a stolen vehicle, investigation continuing, charges expected.
- Laid one charge under the CAIA for owner operating a motor vehicle without insurance.
- Charged 1 individual with driving while under suspension.
- Laid two bylaw charges to individuals causing a disturbance in downtown core.
- Conducted RIDE lanes at various locations in the city.
- Conducted approximately 12 hours of foot patrol.
- Served two drivers with notice of driver's licence suspension.
- Laid two 3 charges under the Highway Traffic Act.
- Attended both provincial offences and Criminal Court to provide evidence for prosecutions.
- The HEAT, along with the CORE unit continued initiative to monitor individuals currently serving conditional sentence "house arrest" orders. One party was arrested.

#### **R.I.D.E.:**

There were a total of 18 R.I.D.E. spot checks conducted in September, 2009. All were conducted on duty.

The combined statistics were:

- 41 officers,
- 13.75 hours,
- 1487 vehicles stopped,
- 2 roadside tests administered,
- No Impaired Driving/Over 80 mgs charge laid,
- 2 -Three-day administrative licence suspensions – added discussion around drinking and driving
- 0 HTA charges,
- 0 LLA charges
- 0 LLA Seizure

#### **Traffic Enforcement**

Total PON's issued:	358
Total recorded warnings:	105

#### **S.T.E.P. Enforcement**

The focus of September's S.T.E.P. program was on drivers who were speeding in school areas as well as stopping/parking in signed zones at the local schools.

All platoons and Part-time Officers participated in the S.T.E.P. program.

## Collisions

### Summary:

<b>Total accidents:</b>	<b>(46)</b>
Accidents East side Owen Sound:	15
Accident West side Owen Sound:	12
Accidents in parking lots:	11 (including 5 FTR accidents below)
Fail to Remain Accidents:	8
<b>Accidents referred to CRC:</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Accidents investigated by OSPS:</b>	<b><u>17</u></b>
<b>Total accidents:</b>	<b>(46)</b>

## Community Service Office Report

- Attended Bus Safety clinics at Heritage Place Mall
- Meeting with old Block Parent committee
- Crossing Guard planning and organizing for the school year and with City Hall.
- Planning for OSPS golf tournament.
- Appeared on Rogers TV to discuss Crossing Guard awareness.
- Training of four new crossing guards.
- Meetings for Safety/Bus Patrol training.
- Conducted a Fraud/Scams presentation at OSPS in conjunction with the DIA.
- Hosted OSPS "Cufflinks" golf tournament approximately \$10,000 was raised.
- Invited to speak with the Owen Sound Attack on a variety of topics (peer pressure, bullying, drugs and alcohol)
- Drug presentation to WHSS students
- Meeting with St. Dominique's (French school) to discuss how we can work together to meet their French curriculum demands.
- The OSPS community BBQ was lent to two groups in Sept. (Relay for Life for the Canadian Cancer Society and Bayshore Broadcasting for United Way)
- Spoke at the Prostate Support Group on the topics of Fraud and Identity Theft.
- Attended OSPS Auxiliary meeting. Mainly to thank them for their continued support to all the community and fundraising events they attend and support.
- Bullying presentation to the seniors at Riverforest Montessori school
- Arranging OSPS participation with all Owen Sound Schools for their mandatory Lockdown Drills. (Officers attended Sydenham PS)
- Attended "The Gathering" at the Bayshore. Display set up on community safety for infants to seniors.
- Meeting with Chief Kaye and OPP Deputy Commissioner Chris Lewis re: Torch Run.

## Auxiliary Report- September 2009

For the month of September we contributed 357 hours. This is an increase of 159 hours over last year. Patrol hours are 220 compared to 114 last year. An increase of 106 hours. Average hours per member are 14.36 compared to 11 last year.

Our top member this month volunteered 32 hours and two members volunteered 30 hours in at 30 hours each.

The number of events was the same for this September as compared to last September with Auxiliary members taking part in Special Olympics Side Walk Sale and OSPS Golf tournament.

9. **Approval of Chief's and Deputy Chief's Report**

***Moved by B. Twaddle***

*"That the Chief's and Deputy Chief's Report be accepted as presented."* **CARRIED**

10. **Motion to Approve Board Policies (OSPSB-OPS-002, OSPSB-OPS-029, OSPSB-ADMIN-010 AND OSPSB-ADMIN-014)**

***Moved by A. Wright, seconded by G. Levine***

*"That the Board approves and accepts as presented the revised Police Services Board Policies as listed in the information package dated October 28, 2009."* **CARRIED**

11. **Motion to Receive Information Package**

***Moved by B. Twaddle***

*"That the Board Information Package dated October 28, 2009 be approved as circulated."* **CARRIED.**

12. **Other Business**

As a member of the OMERS board Garth Pierce presented on the pension underfunding. By the year 2012 the deficit will be 1.3 billion to 25. 4 billion unless something is done – options include reduction of benefits, indexing pensions and of course rate increases.

13. **Motion to Adjourn**

***Moved by G. Levine***

*"That the meeting of October 28, 2009 be declared terminated at 11:46 a.m."*  
**CARRIED**

***Next meeting***

***Wednesday, November 25, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. O.S.P.S. 2nd Floor Meeting Room***