

## Orangeville Police Services Regular (Public Session) Board Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday October 19, 2021**  
**Electronic Meeting via Microsoft Teams**  
**Orangeville, Ontario**

**Members Present:**

Chair T. Taylor  
Vice-Chair I. McSweeney  
Member K. Krakar  
Member A. MacIntosh  
Member M. Rose  
Secretary H. Asling

**Staff Present:**

D. Benotto, Software Operations Supervisor

**Invited Guests:**

OPP Inspector – Detachment Commander T. Ward  
OPP Inspector Liane Spong–Hooyenga  
OPP Constable Jennifer Roach

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

**2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest**

None.

**3. Preliminary Matters**

None.

#### **4. Approval of Agenda**

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board discuss and approve the Agenda for the October 19, 2021 Orangeville Police Services Board Regular (Public Session) Meeting.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member Krakar

All in favour

Carried.

#### **5. In-Camera Meeting**

Recommendation: Convene into In-Camera Session.

Motion that at [insert time] the Board convene into the In-Camera Session of this meeting under Part III, Section 35(4) of the Police Services Act.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board discuss any preliminary matters.

#### **6. Public Session**

Recommendation: Convene into Public Session.

Motion that at 5:05 p.m. the Board reconvene into the Public Session of this meeting.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by Member Krakar

All in favour

Carried.

#### **7. Update from Inspector – Detachment Commander Terry Ward.**

A verbal update on policing matters within the Town of Orangeville from OPP Inspector – Detachment Commander Terry Ward

OPP Inspector – Detachment Commander Terry Ward advised that the new Traffic Management Unit is now in operation. The Unit has three members and may increase depending on the demand. Traffic complaints have been regular concerns for

Orangeville citizens. He noted that 12 new recruits have joined the Orangeville OPP Detachment in Orangeville.

Inspector Ward noted that all Officers from the Orangeville Police Services detachment have all successfully completed their probationary year and have been successful in their new OPP roles.

Chair Taylor inquired about the new towing strategies and for an update on the arrival of the "Black Cat" traffic enforcement devices. Inspector Ward noted that they have not yet been received.

Inspector Ward noted that on Friday, October 22, 2021 Officer Roach will be coming to the Joint Meeting of the Dufferin County Section 10 Police Services Boards to discuss the newly implemented towing policies.

### Anti-Vaccination Protests

Chair Taylor informed the Board that members of the public have express concerned about the behavior of some protestors. Inspector Ward advised that the more police are visible, the more protestors may be reacting negatively towards the police. It was noted that protestors have the right under section 2 of the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* to demonstrate peacefully.

### Towing – Presented by OPP Inspector Spong-Hooyenga

Inspector Spong-Hooyenga informed the Board that there are considerable dangers and risk to members of the towing community as a result of corruption and criminality.

June of 2020, the OPP partnered with the Ontario multi-agency towing taskforce.

The OPP has the use of a mandatory electronic equipment that will capture every OPP interaction with tow truck drivers. To be on the approved OPP list, tow and storage service operators will be required to submit an annual application for towing and storage services operators (TSSO) in the communities they serve. The application is available on the OPP website. Operators will be required to authorize the OPP to conduct criminal background checks on all towing and service providers. Guidelines are available for providing towing services under the OPP's mandate on the website. Applications are to be submitted on November 1, 2021 for the 2022 calendar year. It was noted that the GTA and Hamilton area, the Ministry of Transportation is implementing tow zone changes on the 400 series highways. Those on the 400 series highways will be exempted from the OPP process as they are under a different pilot program.

### Timelines

November 1, 2021 is the deadline for applications.

Chair Taylor requested clarification that the towing providers were informed on September 15, 2021. Inspector Ward advised that there is no current towing association in Dufferin County. Operators had 2 months to have documentation in – many of the operators are not educating themselves on the industry changes.

November 30, 2021 is the deadline for Detachment Commanders to approve towing and storage providers to provide services in the community.

January 1, 2022 the new towing services list will be in effect.

Vice-Chair McSweeney inquired as to whom the towing services providers obtain licensing from.

Inspector Spong-Hooyenga clarified that these providers would be on the list to be a service provider for legislated tow services or those requested by the OPP to authorize the tow.

Member MacIntosh inquired of the OPP if this will resolve the “chasing” issue that can cause potential risks for the public. Inspector Spong-Hooyenga advised that a TSSO request is only done once per shift to resolve the concerns of “chasing”.

Chair Taylor requested clarification of the once per shift call out. Inspector Spong-Hooyenga clarified that there will be a list that will ensure that the same towing service provider is not being used consecutively. It was noted that all tows will be requested equitably and fairly and will not be given to the first on the scene.

Inspector Ward noted that all the TSSO requirements will be in compliance with any local bylaws that are already in place.

Member MacIntosh inquired as to whether the Town should continue to pursue a towing bylaw and if one is required with the TSSO implementation forthcoming. Inspector Spong-Hooyenga noted that there is an education period that will occur during implementation with all the stakeholders.

Rob Howes of Orangeville Towing inquired how the dispatch will be controlled. Will it be the OPP or a dispatch center that would be required with a 1-800 number. Inspector Ward advised that the call outs will occur in order directly to each service provider. Mr. Howes inquired as to how the service providers will be dispatched if the driver is not able to select a provider. Inspector Spong-Hooyenga advised that the OPP under the non-legislated tow will occur and the OPP will dispatch according to the list.

Chair Taylor noted that this policy is to prevent multiple towing providers showing up on scene. Mr. Howes noted that standardized pricing in the industry could be consideration for the bylaw to improve the interactions between towing operators and drivers. Inspector Spong-Hooyenga advised that section 65 under the *Consumer Protection Act* mandates that TSSO's provide a list of prices per service.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board receive the report.

Moved by: Member MacIntosh

Seconded by: Member Rose

All in favour

Carried.

**8. Victim Support Grant (Human Trafficking) (Chair Taylor to Present) (see attached item "Victim Support Grant")**

Chair Taylor advised that Mary Lou Archer and OPP Officer James Moore have been successful in the grant application for obtaining a victim support grant. Inspector Ward advised that this money will be to provide a kit for officers to obtain a statement from victims in settings outside of the detachment.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board receive the report.

Moved by: Member Krakar

Seconded by: Member Rose

All in favour

Carried.

**9. Traffic Calming Study – Town of Orangeville (see Orangeville Traffic Calming Presentation) (Chair Taylor to present with Member MacIntosh)**

Chair Taylor lead the Board in discuss on vehicles with modified mufflers that are causing concern on residential streets. He has attended several meetings, some with Constable Roach for public concerns about these vehicles.

Chair Taylor will be speaking with the Town Clerk to see if the bylaw can be updated to include modified vehicles.

Inspector Ward advised that project "Quiet Running" occurred over the summer with some positive results. The Traffic Calming Unit will be responding to calls from the public on noisy vehicles. He noted that the enforcement and education piece is a matter for consideration.

Mr. Gary Vipond, a member of the public expressed concerns about the behavior of certain drivers. He noted that there is little the public can do in their neighborhoods to deter unscrupulous drivers.

Inspector Ward noted that the operation is still under way and conclude by the end of October and be re-activated in the Spring of 2022.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board discuss and receive the report.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member MacIntosh

All in favour

Carried.

**10. PSB Access to Information Process (see items “PSB Boxes, PDF Archival Services for Records – OPSB Records retrieval) (Chair Taylor to Present)**

Chair Taylor reminded the Board that the 15 boxes were moved from the former Orangeville Police Services building to the Town of Orangeville offices.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member MacIntosh

All in favour

Carried.

**11. Special Investigations Unit (SIU) Annual Report (Chair Taylor to present)**

Chair Taylor informed the Board that the letter received concludes the relationship and no further action is required.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board discuss and receive the report.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member MacIntosh

All in favour

Carried.

## **12. CICB Claims – No outstanding claims (Chair Taylor to Present)**

Chair Taylor advised the Board that there were no matters pending.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board receive the information.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member MacIntosh

All in favour

Carried.

## **13. Detachment Commander form for Evaluation**

Chair Taylor informed the Board that Duane Sprague of the Ministry of the Solicitor General will be providing the Board with the forms for consultation.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board discuss and receive the update.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member Krakar

All in favour

Carried.

## **14. Noisy Vehicles (Chair Taylor to provide verbal update and see Brantford Road Safety Initiatives)**

Chair Taylor advised the Board that he has received several complaints from citizens about noisy and modified vehicles. He inquired with Inspector Ward regarding traffic enforcement and the laws pertaining to modified vehicles.

Inspector Ward provided the Board with an overview of the laws pertaining to noisy vehicles and noted that he would bring these concerns to the Traffic Enforcement Unit.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member MacIntosh

All in favour

Carried.

**15. Homelessness Decision from Council (Chair Taylor and Member MacIntosh to present)**

Choices Youth shelter has made the decision to temporarily suspend the men's shelter services

The public are advised to note that the local homeless population have been approached by the County and police officers and that the homeless people have refused help. Member Rose inquired about the suitability to house homeless men with younger individuals, particularly women.

Inspector Ward noted that there have been numerous calls for one individual in Town and the OPP are unable to change the situation. He advised that Officers are familiar with him and do check on him when calls come in.

Chair Taylor advised the public that the local agencies are award of these individuals and the OPP are assisting with calls.

Moved by: Rose  
Seconded by: Krakar  
All in favour

Carried.

**16. Financial Update – Chair to provide**

Chair Taylor provided an explanation for how the clearing account of the budget functions. He noted that the sums held in the clearing account are those that have not yet been approved and / or processed.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board discuss and receive the update.

Moved by: Member Rose  
Seconded by: Member Krakar  
All in favour

Carried.

**17. Organization of Board Meeting Minutes – Progress Update**

The Secretary provided the Board with a status update on the reformatting and posting of the 2019 Minutes of the Board.



Recommendation:

Motion that the Board discuss and receive the update.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member MacIntosh

All in favour

Carried.

## 18. False Alarms (Board to Discuss)

Chair Taylor noted that a large number of false alarm fire alarms are being received. This will become a concern for the billing costs for the OPP service calls that will begin to be billed in year 4 of the OPP contract.

Member Rose recommended that the matter be taken into consideration by the Board.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board discuss and receive the update.

Motion that Member MacIntosh and Chair Taylor will be deputized to bring a notice of motion to Council to ask them to consider a more robust plan regarding false alarms. So that they are not included in the OPP billing costs.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member Krakar

All in favour

Carried.

## 19. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Board Meetings

Minutes from the Orangeville Police Services Board Regular (Public Session) Meeting held on Tuesday, September 21, 2021.

Recommendation:

Motion

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member MacIntosh

All in favour

Carried.

**20. Board Member Claims for Special Remuneration**

None.

**21. Police Services Board Financials (see Police Services Board Financials as of September**

Chair Taylor noted that the legal expenses that were budgeted for the current fiscal year was prudent planning and thus far, the Board is under budget.

Recommendation:

Motion that the Board receive the report.

Moved by Member Krakar

Seconded by Member Rose

All in favour

Carried.

**22. Question Period**

None.

**23. Presentations**

None.

**24. Delegations**

None.

**25. Correspondence**

None.

Moved by Member Rose

Seconded by Member Krakar

All in favour

Carried.

**26. Reports**

None.

## 27. New Business

### Vaccination Policy

Chair Taylor advised that the Town of Orangeville implemented a vaccination policy this week. He informed the public that Boards are being encouraged to develop their own policies. The matter will be discussed and decided upon in a closed meeting and be reported on in the public forum.

Chair Taylor inquired with IT if the Board is able to meet in person. Dan Benotto advised that the technological improvements that are required are on backorder until early 2022.

Member Krakar expressed concerns about in-person attendance.

## 28. Adjournment

Recommendation:


That the meeting be adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Moved by: Member Rose

Seconded by: Member MacIntosh

All in favour

Carried.

  
Todd Taylor  
Chair Orangeville Police Services Board

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Todd Taylor, Chair



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Heather Asling, Secretary