

The Thunder Bay Police Services Board

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# **BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS FOR FEBRUARY 21, 2023**

THUNDER BAY, ON, February 21, 2023 — The Thunder Bay Police Services Board (TBPSB) convened this morning. Following are notable items from today's meeting:

# Affirmation of Office

Correspondence from the Ministry of the Solicitor General, dated January 20, 2023, relative to the Order in Council 29/2023, appointing Ms. Karen Machado as a member of the Thunder Bay Police Services Board for a three (3) year term, effective January 19, 2023, for the Board's information. (Page 16-17).

The Affirmation of the Office was read aloud by Ms. Machado, signed, and filed.

Correspondence from the Office of the City Clerk, dated February 14, 2023, relative to the appointment of Ms. Denise Baxter to the Thunder Bay Police Services Board for a four (4) year term, effective February 6, 2023 and expiring on November 16, 2026 (or as soon as a replacement has been appointed), for the Board's information. (Page 18).

The Affirmation of Office was read aloud by Ms. Baxter, signed, and filed.

#### Presentation

# Thunder Bay Police Service - BriefCam Project Report

Mr. C. Adams, Director - Communications & Technology, presented the BriefCam Project Report, relative to the use of artificial intelligence based on video by analytics by the Thunder Bay Police Service, for the Board's information. Page 19-27.

#### **Reports of Committee**

#### Thunder Bay Police Services Board - Governance Committee

Mr. J. Hannam, Secretary to the Thunder Bay Police Services Board, provided an update on the status of the Board's Governance Committee.

- Looking to schedule regular meetings of the Committee to begin policy work. Committee has been meeting throughout last couple of months as the search for new Chief of Police continues.
- At a later meeting, address vacancy left by Denise Baxter (no longer community member; newly appointed Board member).

#### Board Training Overview

The Board received a memo from Mr. J. Hannam, Secretary to the Board, relative to a Board Training Overview, for the Board's information. (Page 28).

John Hannam, Secretary to the Board, provided an overview relative to the noted above. Training for Board members to include:

- Governance Training March/early April 2023
- Cultural Awareness Training to be scheduled
- Accountability Training to be scheduled

# **Reports of the Thunder Bay Police Service**

#### Annual Use of Force Report

Sergeant R. Belcamino, Chief Instructor - Use of Force/Firearms/Officer Safety/Defensive Tactics for Thunder Bay Police Service, provided an overview relative to the 2022 Annual Use of Force Report, for the Board's information. (Page 29-34).

#### Annual Secondary Activities Report

Acting Chief of Police D. Taddeo provided an overview relative to a report on the secondary activities/employment of members of the Thunder Bay Police Service, for the Board's information. (Pag 35-36).

- In 2022, six (6) new requests were submitted to the Chief for approval. These six (6) requests were all approved. In addition to those new requests, there are 28 submissions that remain as approved.

#### Unclaimed Funds Report

Acting Chief of Police D. Taddeo provided an overview relative to the abandoned funds seized in connection with a criminal investigation, for the Board's information. (Page 37-38).

The following motion was presented for the Board's consideration and was adopted:

With respect to the Report No. 07/23 from the Thunder Bay Police Service, as presented at the February 21, 2023 Regular Session of the Thunder Bay Police Services Board, we approve the funding proposal submitted in the report, in the amount of \$15,000;

AND that the funds be taken from the Board's Special Account.

# Annual Review of Public Complaints

Staff Sergeant J. Dampier, Thunder Bay Police Service, provided an overview relative to the Annual Review of the Public Complaints in 2022, for the Board's information. (Page 39-41).

#### Annual Street Check Report

Inspector G. Snyder - Corporate Services, Thunder Bay Police Service, provided an overview relative to the Annual Report on the Collection of Identifying Information in Certain Circumstances - Prohibitions and Duties - also known as "Street Check", for the Board's information. (Page 42-46).

#### Request for Change of Fee Schedule

Acting Chief of Police D. Taddeo provided an overview relative to a request for a change in the fee schedule with respect to By-Law #PC9-2005, for the Board's information. (Page 47-51).

Mr. J. Hannam, Secretary to the Thunder Bay Police Services Board, provided an overview relative to an amendment to By-Law #PC9-2005.

A motion in support of a recommendation for a consolidated By-Law #PC-2005 was presented and adopted.

#### **General Matters**

#### Bail Reform

In May, 2022, the Toronto Police Services Board sent correspondence to the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada regarding a number of bail reform proposals in order to enhance community safety. The following month, the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB) presented the federal Ministers of Justice and Public Safety with a formal endorsement of the legislative proposals for bail reform advanced by the Toronto Police Services Board. On January 13, 2023, the 13 Provincial and Territory Premiers sent a letter to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, requesting federal bail reform.

On January 21, 2023, members of the OAPSB were asked to complete a survey, requesting their comments on the issue of bail reform. The survey remains open for comments until February 23, 2023. (Page 52 - 57)

#### Accounts Update - Payment of Invoices

The Board received a memo from Mr. J. Hannam, Secretary to the Board, relative to the Monthly Summary of Invoices processed for payment since the January 17, 2023 Regular Session of the Board, for the Board's information. (Page 58).

John Hannam, Secretary to the Board, provided an overview relative to the noted above.

#### **Petitions and Communications**

#### All Chiefs Memorandum 23-008

The Board and All Chiefs of Police, Commissioner Thomas Carrique, and Chairs – Police Services Board, received a memo from Richard Stubbings – Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety

Division of the Ministry of the Solicitor General relative to the appointment of Ryan Teschner as Ontario's Inspector General of Policing, for the Board's information. (Page 59 - 60).

### Notice of 2023 OAPSB Spring Conference & Annual General Meeting

Mr. J. Hannam provided an overview relative to the Correspondence and a request for sponsorship from the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB), relative to their 2023 Spring Conference and AGM, for the Board's information. (Page 61-64).

Board members were canvassed for interest in attending the Conference/AGM.

The following motion was presented for the Board's consideration and adopted:

With respect to the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards' Notice of their 2023 Spring Conference & Annual General Meeting being held in-person May 30th to June 1st, 2023, and their request for sponsorship, we authorize sponsorship in the amount of \$500;

AND THAT the sponsorship be paid from the Board's Special Account;

AND THAT we authorize the following members of the Thunder Bay Police Services Board to attend:

- 1. Mayor Ken Boshcoff
- 2. Karen Machado
- 3. Denise Baxter

AND THAT all expenses incurred be paid from the Board's budget.

#### Tracking Board Reports

There are *no updates* for the following outstanding Board reports/standing agenda items.

#### i. OCPC Chart - Summary of Recommendations

Summary of status/progress of OCPC Recommendations was last presented for the Board's information on June 28, 2022.

#### ii. OIPRD Report Recommendations

Summary of the status/progress of the OIPRD Recommendations since last presented on January 17, 2023, for the Board's information.

The full agenda can be accessed <u>here</u>.

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