



Police Services Board Meeting

Constable Colin McGregor Building

February 15, 2024

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE:

D. Reith	Chair
J. Preston	Vice Chair
T. McCaulley	Member
J. Jackson	Member
L. Coates	Member

OFFICIALS:

M. Roskamp	Chief of Police
S. Barnes	Deputy Chief of Police
T. Terpstra	Executive Administrator

REGRETS:

None.

GUESTS:

R. LeClair	Police Services Advisor – Zone 6
P. Tunks	President, St. Thomas Police Association

MEDIA:

None.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR THE YEAR 2024

Moved By: J. Preston

Seconded By: L. Coates

THAT: Dan Reith is appointed as Chair for the St. Thomas Police Services Board for the year 2024.

Carried.

Moved By: D. Reith

Seconded By: L. Coates

THAT: Joe Preston is appointed as Vice-Chair for the St. Thomas Police Services Board for the year 2024.

Carried.

APPOINTMENT TO FINANCE / BARGAINING COMMITTEE

Moved By: T. McCaulley

Seconded By: J. Preston

THAT: The Police Services Board approve the appointment of the following Board Members to the Finance/Bargaining Committee for 2024.

- Dan Reith
- Jason Jackson
- Joe Preston
- Lynn Coates
- Tara McCaulley

Carried.

The Board will discuss at a later date which members of the Finance/Bargaining Committee will participating in contract negotiations.

GUEST

Constable Paul Tunks, St. Thomas Police Association President came to speak to the Police Services Board. Constable Tunks thanked the Police Services Board and Chief Roskamp for their ongoing commitment to members of the Service.

NEW HIRES

Name	Position	Start Date
Sarah Mooney	Special Constable	December 9, 2023
Jamie Noseworthy	Clerk	January 15, 2024
Benjamin Usi	Contract – IT Helpdesk	February 5, 2024
Junior-Vap Phillips	Special Constable	February 5, 2024
Ella Orlic	Cadet	February 20, 2024
Michelle Ethier	Cadet	February 20, 2024
Natalie Hynd	Cadet	February 28, 2024

Moved By: J. Preston

Seconded By: L. Coates

THAT: Police Services Board approve the hire of the following members:

- Sarah Mooney | Special Constable (December 9, 2023)
- Jamie Noseworthy | Clerk (January 15, 2024)
- Benjamin Usi | Contract IT Helpdesk (February 5, 2024)
- Junior-Vap Phillips | Special Constable (February 5, 2024)
- Ella Orlic | Cadet (February 20, 2024)
- Michelle Ethier | Cadet (February 20, 2024)
- Natalie Hynd | Cadet (February 28, 2024)

Carried.

SPECIAL CONSTABLE APPOINTMENTS

Name	Position	Start Date
Sarah Mooney	Special Constable	December 9, 2023

Moved By: L. Coates

Seconded By: J. Preston

THAT: Police Services Board approve the Special Constable Appointment for the following member and ratify the Board Chair's signature on the required Ministry of Ontario appointment documentation:

- Sarah Mooney | Special Constable (December 9, 2023)

Carried.

MINUTES

Moved By: J. Preston

Seconded By: T. McCaulley

THAT: The minutes of the meeting held December 1, 2023 be confirmed.

Carried.

DEPUTATIONS

REPORTS

Revenues and Expenditures

Moved By: J. Preston

Seconded By: L. Coates

THAT: The Police Services Board approve the financial statements (YTD) for 2023 dated February 15, 2024.

Carried.

Protective Services Report – February 2024

Moved By: L. Coates

Seconded By: J. Preston

THAT: The Police Services Board accept the Protective Services Report for February 2024 as presented.

Carried.

Annual Reports

Moved By: J. Preston

Seconded By: L. Coates

THAT: The Police Services Board approve the annual reports for the following areas:

- 2023-2026 Strategic Plan Update
- 2023 OT Court Budget
- 2023 STATs
- 2023 Use of Force
- 2023 Professional Standards

- 2023 Pursuit Report

Carried.

Members of the Board noted the tremendous amount of work being completed by the members of the St. Thomas Police Service. Members noted that new comers to St. Thomas are very pleased with the safety of our City. The concerns people had about safety are being addressed and members of the service continue to focus on pressures of our City.

It is important that members of the St. Thomas Police Service recognize the great work being done, the impact of improving our downtown and a noted decrease in property crime. Different pressures are being realized and the service will continue to strategize on how to address issues like violence, etc.

Member wellness continues to be a focus for Chief Roskamp and the Executive Leadership Team which in turn will assist with recruitment of new members.

2024 Board Bylaws

Moved By: L. Coates

Seconded By: J. Preston

THAT: The Police Services Board approve the annual reports for the following areas:

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| • By-Law 1-2024 | Procedural By-law of the Police Services Board |
| • By-Law 2-2024 | Retention & Destruction of Records |
| • By-Law 3-2024 | Regulations of the St. Thomas Police Service |
| • By-Law 4-2024 | Fee Schedule |
| • By-Law 5-2024 | Recruitment for Chief of Police and Deputy Chief of Police |
| • By-Law 6-2024 | Regulation of Hearings Before the Board |

Carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Moved By: T. McCaulley

Seconded By: J. Preston

THAT: The Police Services Board receive and file the following correspondence items:

- Elgin St. Thomas Community Foundation – Donation Received
- Letter – School Resource Officer (from STPS Police Services Board) | December 11, 2023
- Letter – School Resource Officer (from STPS Chief of Police Community Inclusion Council) | December 5, 2023
- Letter of Response – School Resource office (from TVDSB – Chair of the Board)
- Sponsor a Family – Christmas 2023
- Shop with a COP – 2024
- St. Thomas Elgin Local Immigration Partnership – Immigrant Survey 2023 Final Report
- Chief of Police – Community Inclusion Council – Hometown St. Thomas Spotlight | December 2023
- Certificate of Appreciation – St. Thomas Elgin Crime Stoppers
- Certificate of Recognition | Dave Warden – Presented on behalf of Council and the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas

Carried.

The Board noted that the donation from the Elgin St. Thomas Community Foundation is new and not typical funding our service receives. The Board was thankful for this funding and noted it will be a great support to our member's wellness.

The Board continued conversations related to police not being welcome in schools on a consistent basis. The Board agreed that this is a bad decision to remove officers from the school. The removal of officers has created a gap to provide adequate and effective services while ensure the safety for our children. Violence within schools is increasing. Small cities are being grouped with larger communities which have different pressures. Chief Roskamp remains committed to continued conversations with the school boards advocating for this important work.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Moved By: J. Preston

Seconded By: T. McCaulley

THAT: The Police Services Board donate \$500.00 to the Knights of Columbus Summer Fest 2024 with proceeds going to Hospice of Elgin St. Thomas.

Carried.

R. LeClair provided an update in relation to the CSPA Summit and requirements along with Section 220.

Moved By: T. McCaulley

Seconded By: L. Coates

THAT: The Police Services Board meet on March 22, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.

Carried.

MOVE TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved By: T. McCaulley

Seconded By: J. Preston

THAT: We move to the Committee of the Whole.

Carried.

ACTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved By: L. Coates

Seconded By: J. Preston

THAT: We adopt the actions of the Committee of the Whole.

Carried.


ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: L. Coates

Seconded By: J. Preston

THAT: We do now adjourn at 9:50 a.m.

Carried.



Dan Reith
Police Services Board Chair