

Present: Chair O'Connor Vice Chair Huber
Chief Zettel Member Thede
Inspector Mighton Member Woodley
Member Divinski Tracey Guy, Secretary

Members of the Public: Nancy Wyonch, Al Smethurst

1. **Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1630 hours with a Land Acknowledgement and welcomed everyone.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion 1 – John Woodley/Greg Thede

That the Agenda for the Public Meeting of the Saugeen Shores Police Services Board dated May 17, 2023, be approved

Disposition – Carried

3. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

No declarations of pecuniary interest were declared, however the Chairman advised that the members could declare at any time in the meeting.

4. **Delegations**

4.1 Peter Reid, Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce

Peter Reid from Crime Stoppers gave a presentation regarding the Crime Stoppers Program. He added that the program has contributed to a high volume of cases, approximately 10% involving Saugeen Shores. He thanked the Board for their annual donation, and for inviting him to the meeting.

The Board thanked Mr. Reid for his presentation.

5. **Adoption of Minutes**

Motion 2 – Greg Thede/John Divinski

That the Minutes of the Public Meeting of the Saugeen Shores Police Services Board #04-2023 dated April 19, 2023, be approved.

Disposition – Carried

6. **Communications**

None.

7. **Reports**

Chief's Report

Chief Zettel presented his May report as follows:

Personnel

1) Staff Spotlight – Support Services – Melissa McCulloch

As highlighted in the Saugeen Shores Police Service 2023-2025 Strategic Plan, Inspector Mighton gave highlights on Melissa McCulloch, Support Services Staff.

2) Constable Derek King #60

Constable Derek King started his employment as a first-class Constable with the Saugeen Shores Police Service effective April 24th 2023.

3) Jail Guard Posting

The Chief posted for jail guard positions on April 21st 2023. The posting closed on May 3rd 2023. He noted that we will be interviewing and hiring 2 jail guards as approved in the April meeting.

4) Cadet Recruitment

On May 1st 2023 we posted for a cadet recruit position. This posting closes on June 1st 2023. As per the approved Police Budget, SSPS is set to hire a new recruit for the fall session at the Ontario Police College. The recruit will then be able to complete their Coach officer training period prior to the summer of 2024.

4) Thank you Sgt. Adam Sachs

The Chief received an email from a member of the public who passed along their appreciation to Adam Sachs for his response to a family dispute / separation in mid-April. Adam was very kind and showed compassion, helping the complainant through a very difficult time. Thank you Adam!

Personnel Training

1) Bi-Annual Use of Force Training – All Members

All uniform members began their Bi-Annual Use of Force Training beginning April 17th 2023 and ending on May 4th 2023. Thank you to Use of Force Officers Cst. Erik Luscombe and Cst. Brian Lowerison for facilitating this training.

2) Provincial Promotional Exam

The exam results should be available in June.

Ministry Reports

1) Police Administration Survey

On May 2nd 2023, the Chief completed the Statistics Canada Police Administration Survey and electronically filed it with Stats Canada.

Police Service Reports

1) Reports Submitted to the Police Board

- April 2023 Stats Analysis (Hexagon)
- April 2023 CI statistics
- 2022 Firearms Annual Report

2) 2023-25 Operational Strategic Plan

The Plan was provided at the last meeting to review the document. In the fall of 2022, members of the Saugeen Shores Police Services Board, in consultation with the community and our members, prepared the 2023-2025 Strategic Plan. This plan identified 3 areas of strategic focus (Community, Members, & Service), and provided our police service with goals. The tactics to deliver the strategic areas of focus have been developed in consultation with the police service management team, and as required, and are being provided to the Police Services Board for approval. He added that it is a living document, and will be amended as concerns come forward.

The Board commended the Chief for an excellent Plan, and look forward to receiving the monthly updates.

Motion 3 – Diane Huber/John Woodley

That the Saugeen Shores Police Services Board approve the 2023-2025 Operation Plan and continue to monitor the delivery of the strategic areas of focus through monthly reports provided by the Chief of Police.

Disposition – Carried

3) Problem Oriented Policing (POP) – Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement
On Tuesday May 9th 2023, members of the Saugeen Shores Police Service, in partnership with the Ministry of Transportation and OPP, conducted Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement in Saugeen Shores. This was a successful event and a great learning opportunity for our members.

4) Crime Stoppers – Tipster Magazine (Spring 2023)

The Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce TIPSTER quarterly magazine was provided, featuring articles related to Fraud Prevention Month, regional unsolved crimes, and the upcoming June 1st golf tournament, and summer classic car events. Credit goes to Editor Morley S. Lymburner for the production of this magazine.

5) CROMS – Quarter 1 Statistics

The Quarter 1 Statistics was attached to the Agenda from the Collision Reporting and Occurrence Management System which encompasses January 1st – March 31st 2023.

6) DEMS – Digital Evidence Management System

The Police continue to work closely with Colleen Gray-McNamee (SOLGEN) and Tanner Desilets (AXON) to procure and enroll in the Digital Evidence Management System for our police service. Members of SSPS had a meeting with Tanner on April 20th 2023 and will be working towards implementing the next steps in the upcoming months.

7) Police Board Biographies

Thank you to the members of the Police Services Board who provided biographies. This will allow our members the opportunity to learn a bit about you. The Chief will be sharing the biographies during Police Week.

Events / Committees

1) Police Week – SSPS Events – May 18, 2023 - 3-6pm

Thursday May 18th from 3pm-6pm is the Police Week Open House event at Station. This event which is being held during Police Week will provide us with the opportunity to showcase what the Saugeen Shores Police Service has to offer. It is the hope that members of the Board will take the opportunity to attend this event if available.

2) Thank you – United Way of Bruce Grey

Thank you to United Way Bruce Grey for supplying the SSPS with safety equipment for bike rodeos and other kids' safety opportunities via the Community Foundation Grant for the South Bruce Safe Communities Committee.

3) Kids Can Plan – Travelling Art Exhibit

The Southampton Art Gallery in partnership with the Saugeen Shores Police, is hosting a KIDS CAN PLAY - In My Community - A Younger Perspective "Pop up" Gallery space at Police Station front foyer from May 11th to May 31st. Local school students from Saugeen Shores and Saugeen First Nation will have the opportunity to create works of art in their classrooms, on the theme of community. Students will be supplied with canvas, paint, brushes, and other art supplies. Completed works of art will be framed and displayed in the Police Services headquarters, Southampton Arts Centre, and the Port Elgin Public Library. Members of the community and the artists will be invited to receptions exhibiting the works at each of the three venues.

4) Colouring Contest

Thank you to Cst. Stacey Gordon for hosting a Spring Colouring Contest for youth. The contest garnered a lot of interest, and 3 winners were chosen and awarded prizes - Congratulations to Walt W, Ava H, and Mohammed B. Thank you to the Children's Safety Village and Sharon W. of Port Elgin for generously donating the prizes.

Other

1) Station Video System

Tenders have been received to update the station video system. He is working closely with the Town IT to choose the successful bid and begin the upgrading process.

2) Reserve Funds

The Chief has been in discussion with Jim Bundschuh – Director of Corporate Services for the Town of Saugeen Shores. He is in the process of preparing a Reserve Fund Policy for the Town, which will be presented to Council for approval. The Saugeen Shores Police Service is in need of a reserve account to safe-guard against unexpected overages caused by significant events. With the approval of the Police Services Board, the Chief will prepare a draft reserve policy request that will be incorporated in to the Town Reserve Policy and presented as one encompassing document for approval. He will bring the SSPS

reserve policy draft to a future Police Service Board meeting for approval. The current active motion from the January 18th 2023 open meeting (Resolution #5) stated:

“That the SSPS Board establish a General Operating Reserve fund. And further, that the cap for the police services reserve fund be set at \$250,000 (and). And further, that the percentage be transferred to a reserve account, which would be set at 100% until the time the cap is met and zero present as long as the cap is maintained. And this reserve fund would be crated from the SSPS operating budget”

The Chief added that Jim Bundschuh is recommending a percentage vs. a set limit, to account for various limits for future years. The Board confirmed the commitment to set up a Reserve fund with an upset percentage limit as recommended and directed the Chief to work with the Town to accomplish this.

8. **Accounts/Statistics**

Insp Mighton present the statistics as follows:

Incidents where impaired Driving charges were laid:

2022 Year-to-Date – Impaired Charge Incidents where at least 1 charge laid - 17

2023 Year-to-Date – Impaired Charge Incidents where at least 1 charge laid - 15

RIDE Incidents:

2022 Year-to-Date – RIDE - 22

2023 Year-to-Date – RIDE - 75

Problem Orientated Policing (POP) Incidents

2023 Year-to-date – 60 incidents

These include all of our initiatives except Bike Patrol.

Beach Enforcement

Assigned Goal of 5 POP incidents per platoon for May – Oct

Based on operational availability

OPIOID Overdose Alerts

- 78 suspected opioid overdoses reported via EMS, Police, Fire, community partners and 211 Report a Bad Drug form;
- 80 emergency department visits for suspected opioid overdoses;
- 6 fatal suspected opioid overdose reported; and
- Suspected opioid overdoses in Grey Bruce show a high number of individuals using suspected fentanyl through inhalation/smoking.

9. **Unfinished Business**
None

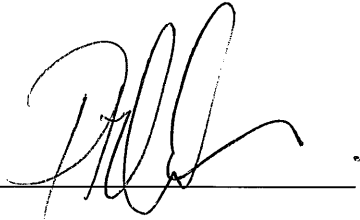
10. **Next Meeting**
June 14, 2023 at 1630 hours
July 26, 2023 at 1630 hours

11. **Closed to Public**
Motion 4 – John Woodley/Diane Huber
That the Saugeen Shores Police Services Board meet in Closed to Public session to discuss matters in accordance with the Municipal Act and By-law 1-2011, Section 21.2 (b) regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual and Police Collective Agreement Negotiations.
Disposition – Carried

The Board returned to the regular meeting at 2000 hours.

12. **Adjournment**
Motion 5 – John Woodley/Greg Thede
That this meeting of the Saugeen Shores Police Service Board do now adjourn at 2000 hours.
Disposition – Carried

Chair



Secretary

