

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PICKLE LAKE

MINUTES

Police Services Board Meeting Tuesday, January 18th, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. Council Chambers

| Board Members | Staff/OPP Representation | Public |
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| Mayor Dwight Monck Robert Rasmussen | Clerk-Treasurer Jamie Hussey Staff Sergeant Karl Duewel Acting Inspector Dana Wellock Pickle Lake Sergeant Mike Martin | CLOSED DUE TO COVID-19 |

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Resolution: 21-01

Moved By: Robert Rasmussen

Seconded By:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the time being 17:20 p.m., this Police Services Board Meeting for the Corporation of the Township of Pickle Lake is hereby called to order by Mayor

Dwight Monck.

CARRIED

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None

3. DELEGATIONS

Inspector Wellock introduced herself and provided an overview of her history with OPP and various positions she has served over the years. Wellock provided an update on her current position and stated herself and Duewel are in competition for the permanent position. Each one is working for 6 months in the role of Acting Inspector and Staff Sergeant.

Staff Sergeant Karl Duewel introduced himself and provided an overview of his history with OPP and various positions he has served over the years. Both Duewel and Wellcok explained that 6 weeks ago permission was granted for a second full time Sergeant position in Pickle Lake. The position was posted January 4th. Both are hopeful for a positive outcome.

Both officers provided insight into the provided Annual Report. There was discussion involving how the report is laid out, what the numbers in the reports reflect, and how that would reflect billing for a community. The information contained in the reports is now property of the Municipality as we are a Section 10 community, meaning we have a Police Services Board. Various other numbers can be provided to the board by a request to the Sergeant however they are not a published report. The Municipality may distribute the report at their discretion.

Board Member Rasmussen inquired about the "Ride Programs" that are run in the community. Wellock explained there is no set amount per month that must be conducted, nor a time frame during the day they can only be done. Wellock also explained that now Pickle Lake has a Police Services Board, the community is eligible to apply for the "Ride Grant" which is available to PSB's every year. This helps communities to run more "Ride Programs" throughout the year, although there is a primary focus on the holiday season, the funding is fiscal and can be used all year.

Mayor Monck suggested some additional ride locations including: Airport road in the morning, the main highway intersection in the morning, as well as additional skidoo patrols on weekends coming off some of the lakes. He also inquired why there is such a long wait period between picking up intoxicated people under the Liquor Act. Inspector Wellock stated that provided the person can still care for themselves and is not causing harm they cannot pick them up. Officers realize these circumstances can deteriorate rapidly, therefore are encouraged to continue to check up on such individuals. Monck also inquired about the Provincial Appointed member to the board, Wellock and Duewel stated it is not an OPP officer, but someone that the Province appoints. Clerk Treasurer to follow up with Tom Gervais.

Sergeant Martin included that there is no need for reasonable suspicion anymore with breathalyzers, officers can set up a ride and make a determination to run the test at any time, on anyone passing through, along with road side stops.

Board member Rasmussen inquired on current total staffing level. Sergeant provided numbers of officers: 11. Typically there are 2-3 officers per shift, broken down into 4 shift platoons. "Day-wings" are obtained when an officer has completed 3 months of their duration, and are permitted to drive alone, "night wings" are obtained when the officer has completed an additional 3 months of their rotation and are permitted to drive alone at night. Typically, a

duration in Pickle Lake last for 2 years, however there are two officers recruits signed up on a 3 year duration, and 1 experienced officer on a 6 year duration. Two additional experienced officers are part of the current force as well.

Clerk Treasurer Hussey inquired about costs associated with assists to NAPS. Sgt. Duewel stated there is no cost associated with this, or liquor act issues in the community. She also inquired about additional programming at the school. Sgt Duewel stated Sioux Lookout has successfully ran a 6-8 week kids program for grade 6's and they can look into doing the same here post COVID-19. It includes discussions such as online safety. Sgt. Martin also stated there has been some anti-bullying discussions with the school.

Duewel/Wellcok suggested putting information out monthly for the community in the bulletin in regard to how to contact the board, what the board does, information on policing in the community etc. Board agreed this would be beneficial for the public.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Next meeting is set for April 12th, 2021 at 17:00 in Council Chambers.

5. OPEN

None

6. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution: 21-02

Moved By: Robert Rasmussen

Seconded By:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for The Corporation of The Township of Pickle Lake adjourn this Regular Meeting

of Council at the hour of 18:42 p.m.

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ADOPTION BY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

No. 21- 13 THIS 9th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021

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