



MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST HANTS
Police Advisory Board Minutes
April 29, 2019, 6:00 p.m.
Sanford Council Chambers

Present:	P. Morton	Deputy Warden/Chair
	J. Daniels	Councillor District 7
	M. Laycock	CAO
	A. Heneoffer	REMO Coordinator
	G. Pineo	Citizen Representative (arrived at 4:15 pm)
	R. Meehan	Citizen Representative
	C. Bushell	RCMP
	J. Woodman	Administrative Assistant

There were no members of the public in attendance.

1. Call to Order

Chair Morton called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. Announcements

Chair Morton gave the stand fire evacuation procedure.

A. Heneoffer advised on May 4th she is hosting an event for Emergency Preparedness at the Three Mile Plains Fire Station from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm and she encouraged everyone to attend.

3. Approval of Agenda, including additions or deletions

MOVED and SECONDED that the agenda be approved as circulated.

Motion Carried.

4. Business Arising

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Approval of Minutes

MOVED and SECONDED that the Police Advisory Board Minutes of March 11, 2019 be approved, noting any errors or omissions.

Motion Carried.

6. RCMP – Annual Performance Plan Priorities

Staff Sergeant Bushell reviewed the HR Update, COMSTAT and APP Initiatives. He advised for APP he highlighted information that he had done for year end and pointed out the organizational chart has changed with the addition of the STE position and explained they now have a sixth constable on the complement. He reviewed the statistics report for last year versus this year which he suggested would give the board insight on what should be the priorities.

Staff Sergeant Bushell indicated at the last board meeting he requested that the members consider types of initiatives they would like the RCMP to look at.

Chair Morton asked if impaired driving had increased due to the number of check points. Staff Sergeant Bushell offered he couldn't say whether it is because there are more check points or if there are more impaired drivers. He suggested there is more of a public trend where residents are reporting impaired drivers.

CAO Laycock asked if the board could be provided stats to show a differentiation between alcohol and cannabis impairment while driving a vehicle. He suggested it might help identify costs associated with it in order to get extra revenue from the province. Staff Sergeant Bushell confirmed this could be provided.

Councillor Daniels asked if the stats for those who are impaired by cannabis is being monitored provincially. Staff Sergeant Bushell advised there is a task force that has been established specifically for training members on impairment by drugs and are watching these trends and he is confident they will be able to provide the information.

Staff Sergeant Bushell asked if there are any initiatives that the board would like to see the RCMP focus more on to build the APP to reduce areas of crime and safety. Chair Morton suggested that speed is a serious concern. Councillor Daniels agreed and suggested that there are serious concerns with speed in construction zones as well.

CAO Laycock expressed concern that there are a lot of people driving without winter tires which is dangerous. Staff Sergeant Bushell offered the RCMP could provide education and public service announcements.

Councillor Daniels inquired whether it is illegal to eat and operate a motor vehicle. Staff Sergeant Bushell advised he hadn't investigated this but offered distracted driving is an issue.

Staff Sergeant Bushell indicated that enhance relationships with African Nova Scotians will remain an initiative but the RCMP will be seeking new ideas to achieve this. Councillor Daniels advised the majority demographic is in her area and the most significant concern was speeding on the road. She noted that Panuke Road it is not very wide, and residents find that the trucks and vehicles are speeding and creating a dangerous situation for children playing. She offered that she did see RCMP in the area frequently.

7. Miscellaneous/New Business

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next regular Committee of the Whole will be on September 16, 2019 at 3:30 p.m.

9. Adjournment

**MOVED and SECONDED that the meeting adjourn.
Motion Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Chair Paul Morton