

Minutes of a Police Advisory Board meeting convened at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room at the Pictou Detachment of the RCMP on the above date. Councillor Nadine LeBlanc presiding.

PRESENT: Councillor Eric Daley; committee members Shawn Briand and Kevin Pettipas

ALSO PRESENT: Addie MacCallum, RCMP Staff Sergeant
Angela Rafuse RCMP Town of Pictou Staff/ Minute Recorder

ABSENT: Member Vic Smith

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor LeBlanc called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: S Briand
SECONDED: E Daley

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MOTION: To approve the agenda with the following additions:
4h. Provincial Representative Board Member
MOTION CARRIED

3. REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES

Minutes of the April 3, 2019 meeting were reviewed. There were no errors or omissions.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PAST MINUTES

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Speeding

Speeding is an ongoing issue in town. Portable speed radars are effective in changing drivers' behaviour and cost approximately \$15,000. Radars placed on lamp posts range from \$3,000 to \$4,000. Town residents are encouraged to contact police if they see speeding or have other concerns.

b. Public Notice of Convicted Child Offenders/High Risk Offenders

Public notice of an offender moving into an area is based on case law and national policy. The public is usually notified when an offender has a dangerous offender designation or is a high risk to the public.

c. RCMP Staff Update

The Town of Pictou has a contract with the RCMP based on seven full-time members. There are currently five active members, with two on leave. Due to the nature of the contract, the

Town only pays for its active members; however, is supported by the Pictou County Detachment. 24-hour policing coverage can still occur because of this support.

d. **Odor Complaints**

There have been odor complaints received because of people smoking and growing marijuana. In instances where complaints are within apartment buildings, this would fall under the responsibility of the landlord to establish their own rules.

e. **Noise Complaints**

There have been noise complaints of mufflers being altered on vehicles. Charges can be laid under the Noise By-Law. Residents are encouraged to contact the RCMP.

f. **Moment of Silence**

A moment of silence was held in memory of those killed on the job and in Portapique.

g. **Presentations**

Liaisons have been in contact with the schools to continue with education; however, assemblies are currently on hold due to the pandemic. The group requested Cpl Farrell attend an upcoming meeting to do a presentation for them.

h. **Provincial Representative Board Member**

Three people applied for this position that is appointed by the NS Minister of Justice. The Town made contact with the department and is awaiting a decision.

6. POLICE REPORT

Staff Sergeant MacCallum reviewed the RCMP Police Report. While the total number of files has decreased in 2020, especially during the height of the pandemic, there has been an increase in more serious crimes. There were more people incarcerated in 2020, compared to the same time period in 2019.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE

January 13, 2021 at 6:00pm in the Pictou Detachment.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: S Briand
SECONDED: K Pettipas

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MOTION: That the meeting adjourn.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Dan Troke
CAO