



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
POLICE SERVICE BOARD
PUBLIC MINUTES

Thursday, May 23, 2024
Niagara Regional Police Service - Headquarters
Community Room 1st Floor, 5700 Valley Way, Niagara Falls

PSB MEMBERS:

J. Lawson, Chair
N. Kapisavanhu, Vice Chair
P. Chiocchio, Board Member
K. Gibson, Board Member
B. Steele, Board Member

D. Reid, Executive Director
D. Cichocki, Executive Assistance

NRPS MEMBERS:

Chief B. Fordy
Deputy Chief T. Waselovich, Operational Services
Deputy Chief L. Greco, Support Services
C. Gauley, General Counsel
A. Askoul, Director of Information Technology
Superintendent M. Lagrotteria, District Operations
Superintendent S. Staniforth, Executive Services
A/Superintendent S. Magistrale, Emergency Investigative Services
A/Superintendent C. Sirie, Operational Support
Inspector N. Dave, Executive Officer to Chief of Police
D/Sergeant N. Abbott, Executive Officer to Deputy Chief
D/Sergeant M. Ryan, Executive Officer to D/C Support Services
Sergeant J. Pilkington, Marine/Underwater Search and Recovery Unit
Constable J. Shatkosky, Marine/Underwater Search and Recovery Unit
L. Rullo, Finance Manager
S. Sabourin, Corporate Communications Manager
C. Woods, Financial Planning Co-ordinator
M. Asher, Executive Assistant to the Chief

OTHERS:

Mr. D. Tilley, Policing Services Advisor, Ministry of the Solicitor General

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board commenced at 9:31 am.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

The Board began its meeting by acknowledging that the Niagara Region is situated on treaty land. This land is steeped in the rich history of the First Nations such as the Hatiwendaronk, the Haudenosaunee, and the Anishinaabe, including the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation. There are many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people from across Turtle Island that live and work in Niagara today. The Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Service Board stands with all Indigenous people, past and present, in promoting the wise stewardship of the lands on which we live.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT/PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of conflict or pecuniary interest.

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

4.1 **Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held Thursday, April 25, 2024**

Moved by: P. Chiochio
Seconded by: K. Gibson

That the Minutes from the Public Board Meeting held Thursday, April 25, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

4.2 **Minutes of the Public Finance Committee Meeting held Thursday, May 9, 2024**

Moved by: B. Steele
Seconded by: N. Kapisavanhu

That the Minutes of the Public Finance Committee Meeting held Thursday, May 9, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

5. **REPORTS FROM BOARD CHAIR**

Welcome to Ministry Police Services Advisor - Chair Lawson welcomed Dave Tilley to the meeting. Dave is with the Inspectorate of Policing at the Ministry of the Solicitor General and he serves as a Policing Services Advisor to Zone 4 Police Boards in Ontario. He regularly attends our meetings as part of the routine visits by Policing Services Advisors to Police Boards across the Province. The Board is pleased to see his continued attendance at our monthly meetings.

CAPG Webinar Sessions - The Canadian Association of Police Governance hosts monthly webinars as part of their educational strategy to keep Police Boards and Police Executives across Canada apprised of issues currently affecting the policing community. Webinars were held on April 30, entitled "Staff Engagement Surveys - Finding the Right Balance", and on May 9, entitled "Professional Conduct & Discipline - What Board's Need to Know". An upcoming webinar is scheduled for May 30 at 12:00 pm, entitled "Improving the Health of the Policing Organizations". Recorded copies of all webinars are sent to Board Members for their viewing.

OAPSB/OACP Zone 4 Meeting - On May 1, the Niagara Parks Police Service hosted the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards' Zone 4 Meeting in Niagara Falls. These meetings facilitate discussions that pertain to relevant matters relating to police governance and attendees are comprised of Board members and staff from 14 Police Boards. The Province of Ontario has been divided into seven Zones to ensure inclusivity by all Boards. During the year, Zone members meet to discuss current issues, and receive updates from the Zone Director, and consider issues and resolutions for the OAPSB consideration. Chair Lawson, Member Gibson, and Executive Director Reid attended the meeting on behalf of the Board.

Ceremony of Remembrance - Ontario Police Memorial - On May 5, Chair Lawson joined Chief Fordy, Deputy Chiefs Greco and Waselovich and several rank-and-file Service Members at the 25th Annual Ceremony of Remembrance – Ontario Police Memorial. This important and special event took place at Queen's Park in Toronto to pay tribute to Ontario's fallen officers – our Heroes in Life, Not Death. This year's ceremony included the names of 6 officers who died in the line of duty being added to the 266 names already enshrined on the Wall of Honour. It was an honour to be part of this event and to remember those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice while serving to protect, and to support and acknowledge the families that have endured the hardship of losing a loved who lost their life while serving in the line of duty.

NRPS Auxiliary Recruit Graduation Ceremony - On May 7, Chair Lawson joined Chief Fordy and members of the Senior Officers' Association at an Auxiliary Recruit Graduation to welcome 15 new Auxiliary members to the Niagara Regional Police Service. The NRPS Auxiliary team plays an integral part in the policing services provided to the citizens and visitors of Niagara. Each year, Auxiliary members volunteer thousands of hours of work contributing to the excellent quality of life in Niagara's communities, and their contributions are applauded.

Annual Cross Border Tug-of-War Competition - On May 11, Members of the Service's Tug of War teams participated in the annual Cross Border Tug of War competition against their American law enforcement counterparts. The Service hosted a BBQ prior to the main event, followed by an escorted march led by the NRPS Pipe Band, to the Rainbow Bridge where the competition took place. Both Niagara's men and women teams were successful in retaining their titles, bringing home yet another win for the Niagara Regional Police Service. Chair Lawson attended the event on behalf of the Board.

Ontario First Responders' Mental Health Conference - On May 15, Chair Lawson attended the Ontario First Responders' Mental Health Conference at the International Centre in Mississauga. The conference facilitated the exchange of best practices and research related to the mental health of first responders and their families. Session discussions focused on leadership and organizational approaches to resilience, moral injury, cultural competence, peer support, return-to-work programming, care, and the importance of involving the families of first responders.

OAPSB 2024 Spring Conference & AGM - The Ontario Association of Police Service Boards is hosting its annual Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting at Blue Mountain Resort, Village Conference Centre, from June 3 - 5, 2024. The conference program features a variety of special guest speakers, learning sessions, Board training, and networking opportunities. As well, delegates will gain a better understanding of what the Community Safety Policing Act means for Boards and the impacts it will have on Board governance. Chair Lawson will be attending the conference and participating as a panelist at the "Professionalizing Police Governance in Ontario" session. Discussions on that topic will include the importance that staff has on the effectiveness of Boards and how to determine the appropriate staffing needs. Vice Chair Kapisavanhu, Members Chicchio, Gibson and Executive Director Reid will also be attending the conference.

Upcoming Police Service Board Meetings - The next regular monthly Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 9:30 am in the Community Room at Police Headquarters.

6. REPORTS FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Community Safety

Chief Fordy reported that this past week encompassed the first long weekend of the summer and Service members dealt with a high number of calls as they worked to ensure public safety as they do every day. Over 40 calls for service were received related to the Virgil Stampede in Niagara on the Lake and Members did excellent work addressing concerns, ensuring safety and maintaining a great partnership with event organizers.

This past weekend also saw a large influx of Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs in Niagara Falls. The Service worked with agencies including the provincial Biker Enforcement Unit, and had additional assistance from other agencies that included Hamilton Police Service, Waterloo Police Service, Halton Police Service, OPP, Surete Quebec, Toronto Police Service, York Police Service and the Ministry of Transportation. This monitoring was done to ensure any circumstances that arose were addressed and order was maintained including enforcement as appropriate. Excellent efforts by Service Members and partners in managing the gathering and maintaining order.

The NRPS had six (6) high risk calls in the Region since May 18 involving outstanding collaboration between our front-line personnel, communications, Emergency Task Unit (ETU), Negotiators, Incident Commanders and Duty Inspectors. This included a call where the Service was advised by a tactical medic that the actions of a member of our ETU undoubtedly saved the life of an individual in crisis. Members are doing remarkable work in bringing resolutions to critical, high-risk calls.

Community Engagement

May 3, 2024 - The Service attended Regional Headquarters for Red Dress Day the National Day of Awareness for Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women, Girls and Two Spirit people. Members participated in a flag raising and symbolic walk for peace and awareness.

May 3, 2024 - The Service attended the OWLE banquet recognizing the outstanding achievements of women in law enforcement across the province.

May 3, 2024 - Deputy Chief Waselovich and Service Members attended the FACS Gala (in Thorold) supporting the Service's partners and the work they do in the Niagara community.

May 5, 2024 - The Service attended the Ontario Police Memorial at Queens Park in Toronto and paid tribute to fallen officers and their families.

May 6, 2024 - The Service attended the Respect for Law Awards at the Welland Optimist Club where Constable Dustin Lott and civilian Kendon Iannizzi, NRPS Youth in Policing program members, were recognized for their work and dedication in keeping Niagara's communities safe.

May 7, 2024 - The Service held an Auxiliary Graduation Ceremony at Headquarters and welcomed 15 new members who volunteer their time and assist our members in numerous events and taskings.

May 8, 2024 - The Service attended the opening of the Canadian and American Law Enforcement Organization (CALEO) training symposium at the Sheraton in Niagara Falls, New York. This organization has been building and maintaining partnerships between law enforcement agencies on both sides of the Canada - U.S. border since the late 1970's.

May 11, 2024 - The annual Tug of War competition was held on the Rainbow Bridge in Niagara Falls. There was a great turnout as witnessed by Chair Lawson, and both the Service's women and men teams were successful in their continued string of success against their colleagues from the US. A special thanks to Sergeant Tony Mummery and Detective Sara Mummery for their continued dedication and countless volunteer hours in organizing this fantastic event.

May 13, 2023 - The Service held their inaugural Promotional Ceremony. This ceremony gives recognition to the professional and sworn members when they achieve new ranks and senior management positions, and includes their families who provide so much support and contribute to their success.

May 14, 2024 - There were 36 NRPS Senior Leaders who went on the Harriet Tubman Tour led by Rochelle Bush from the Salem Chapel British Methodist Episcopal Church in St. Catharines. Members travelled on a Niagara Transit bus through the Region learning the deep history in Niagara among the black community and of the Underground Railroad.

May 15, 2024 - The Service attended Notre Dame High School in Welland for the Provincial Kick off for Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving. A number of students from high schools in the Region were on hand along with representatives from municipal and provincial levels. The theme this year as created by the students is "Be Prepared, Never Drive Impaired, Somebody Loves You".

May 16, 2024 - The Service celebrated Police Week and had a great event at the Pen Center led by NRPS Corporate Communication Manager Stephanie Sabourin and Acting Sergeant Mike Matwijow of 1 District. Community partners including the Ministry of Public Consumer Protection and Victim Services joined were numerous police units including Recruiting to capitalize on the theme this year "Join Policing: Keep Ontario Safe" as well as NRPS community partners the Ministry of Public Consumer Protection and Victim Services. This event was also the kickoff to the Service's newly created Citizens Academy that will begin in the fall. This involves members of the public enrolling in a 2-hour class each week for eight (8) weeks. This will give community members insight into what the NRPS does and why they do it, to help promote understanding and engagement with the policing profession.

May 13 - 16, 2024 - The 4th Annual Spring Forward Food Drive was also held during Police Week with Members of the Service collecting food and cash donations at various grocery stores throughout the Region, spearheaded by Constable Jay McCarthy of the CORE Unit. Donations were collected for 10 local food banks, raising over \$7,100 and over 13,400 pounds of food.

Member Wellness

On June 23, 2024, Members will be attending the first in person ceremony for officers who have died because of the Line of Duty. The inaugural Ontario Police Suicide Memorial ceremony is being put on by Canada Beyond the Blue and will be held at the site of the Ontario Police Memorial at Queens Park in Toronto. This is an important day to recognize the potential impact of our profession on officers and their families and loved ones.

7. PRESENTATIONS

7.1 NRPS Marine and Underwater Search and Recovery Unit

The Service provided a presentation on its Marine Unit in which assigned members conduct general water way patrol duties in Lake Ontario, Lake Erie, the Niagara River, and other water sanctuaries within or bordering the Niagara Region. Members also assist in search and rescue/search and recovery operations when required while working with other units within the NRPS and with other police services and agencies related to maritime safety or the judicial process.

Moved by: N. Kapisavanhu

Seconded by: B. Steele

That the presentation be received.

Carried

7.2 NRPS Domestic Violence Unit

The Service provided a presentation on its Domestic Violence Unit in which assigned members investigate all incidents that involve domestic violence and the possible application of the Mandatory Charge Policy, which requires police officers to lay charges in cases where there are reasonable grounds to believe that an assault has occurred at the scene of a domestic dispute. Unit members also work closely to provide support and functional expertise to various partner agencies that deal with individuals that fall victim to acts of domestic violence.

Moved by: K. Gibson

Seconded by: P. Chiocchio

That the presentation be received.

Carried

8. CONSENT AGENDA

8.1 Community Safety and Policing Act - Special Constable Employer - Application Process

Letter dated May 8, 2024 from Mario Di Tommaso, Deputy Solicitor General, Community Safety, Ministry of the Solicitor General, providing a follow-up to the communications sent to Special Constable Employers from the Ministry of the Solicitor General's Public Safety Division on March 15, 21, and 25, 2024, to review Ontario Regulation 396/23 to ensure all Special Constable Employer applications are compliant with the requirements set out within and that all supporting documentation submitted, including the Memorandum of Understanding, is current and that it reflects the new Community Safety and Policing Act.

8.2 RMON - Confirmation of Niagara Police Service Board Composition

Letter dated April 26, 2024 from Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, RMON, advising of a motion passed by Regional Council at its meeting held April 25, 2024 regarding Regional Memorandum CL-C 37-2024 respecting the Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Service Board composition at seven (7) members in accordance with the Section 31(5) of the Community Safety and Policing Act, and the Board's legal name change in accordance to Section 31(1) of the Act.

8.3 RMON - 2025 Budget Timetable

Letter dated April 29, 2024 from Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, RMON, advising of a motion passed by Regional Council at its meeting held April 25, 2024 regarding Regional Report CSD 20-2024 respecting the 2025 budget timetable for Niagara's Agencies, Boards and Commissions (ABC's).

8.4 RMON - 2025 Budget Planning - Update

Letter dated May 14, 2024 from Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, RMON, advising of a motion passed by Regional Council at its meeting held May 21, 2024 regarding Regional Report CSD 18-2024 respecting the request of Regional staff to amend to Regional By-law 2019-79, A By-Law to Define Budget Planning Requirements for the Regional Municipality of Niagara for minor housekeeping changes and to better support the Region's budget planning process.

8.5 Quarterly Report - Special Fund Quarterly Activity - January 1 to March 31, 2024

Service report dated April 29, 2024 submitted in accordance with the quarterly requirements set out in Board By-law 403-2024.

8.6 Annual Report - Acoustic Hailing Devices - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 25, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 464-2024.

8.7 Annual Report - Arrest - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 25, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 435-2024.

8.8 Annual Report - Canine Unit - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 26, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 467-2024.

8.9 Annual Report - Communicable Diseases - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 24, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 470-2024.

8.10 Annual Report - Crisis Negotiation - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 25, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 475-2024.

8.11 Annual Report - Domestic/Family Violence - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 19, 2024 submitted in accordance with the reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 336-2013.

8.12 Annual Report - Elder and Vulnerable Adult Abuse - January 1 to December 31 2023

Service report dated April 18, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 444-2024.

8.13 Annual Report - Equipment - Body Armour - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 16, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 477-2024.

8.14 Annual Report - Explosives Forced Entry and Explosive Disposal - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 26, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 478-2024.

8.15 Annual Report - Firearms Training and Investigations - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 25, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 479-2024.

8.16 Annual Report - Fraud and False Pretence Investigations - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 18, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 446-2024.

8.17 Annual Report - Persons in Custody - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 24, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 455-2024.

8.18 Annual Report - Property Offences (including Break & Enter) - January 1 to December 31, 2023

Service report dated April 23, 2024 submitted in accordance with the annual reporting requirements set out in Board By-law 457-2024.

Moved by: N. Kapisavanhu
Seconded by: K. Gibson

That the information be received.

Carried

9. NEW BUSINESS

Before considering special fund request Items 9.6 to 9.13, Chair Lawson reminded members of the public that the “Special Fund” does not form part of the police operating budget and is separate from the Regional tax base. The “Special Fund” is a discretionary pool of funds, which is used for grants and charitable donations. Disbursements from the fund are made in accordance with guidelines provided in the Community Safety and Policing Act, and with Board By-Law 403-2024, Special Fund Administration, Limitations and Guidelines.

9.1 Police Service Board By-laws - Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019

Correspondence dated May 14, 2024 from Deb Reid, Executive Director, Niagara Police Service Board, providing the Board with 14 draft by-laws as required for compliance with the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA), its Regulations, and the Ministry of Solicitor General's Policing Standards Manual.

Moved by: B. Steele
Seconded by: P. Chiocchio

That the Board adopt the draft By-laws, effective May 23, 2024, as appended to this report;

And further, that the Board Chair, Executive Director, and Board Solicitor be authorized to make any supplementary administrative amendments to Board By-laws, that may be required following any additional clarification of the CSPA and its Regulations that may be received by the Ministry of the Solicitor General.

Carried

9.2 NRPS Organizational Structure - Revised - April 30, 2024

Service report dated May 1, 2024 advising the Board of changes to the Service's organizational structure and to seek approval for the current structure in accordance with By-law 445-2024, Section 4.5.2.

Moved by: K. Gibson
Seconded by: B. Steele

That the Board approve the revised organizational structure for the Niagara Regional Police Service, as appended to the report.

Carried

9.3 Indirect Allocation Budget - Regional Corporate Charges and Debt Costs

Service report dated May 1, 2024 providing in accordance with Niagara Region Policy C-F-004 Cost Allocation, details of the indirect allocation and debt costs allocated to the NRPS 2024 Budget in the total amount of \$20,082,245.00 and a 17.1% increase over the 2023 budget.

Moved by: N. Kapisavanhu
Seconded by: P. Chiocchio

That the information be received.

Carried

9.4 Budget Planning - 2025 Operating and Capital Budget

Service report dated April 30, 2024 requesting the Board approve the draft 2025 budget planning timetable in accordance with the Regional Budget Planning By-law 2019-79, which will be considered at the Region's Budget Review Committee of the Whole meeting on July 25, 2024; and providing notification from the Service that the anticipated 2025 budget pressures are projected between 6.2% and 7.4% over the approved 2024 Operating Budget.

Moved by: B. Steele
Seconded by: K. Gibson

That the Board approve the draft timetable in accordance with Regional By-Law 2017-63 - Budget Control, as outlined in Appendices 1 and 2 of this report.

Carried

9.5 NICE Call Logger NG9-1-1 Infrastructure and Platform Upgrades

Service report dated May 1, 2024 requesting the Board approve the additional NG9-1-1 expenditures that are associated with upgrades to the NICE Call Logger to support the integration with the Motorola Vesta 9-1-1 and the NG9-1-1 Call Handling Solution.

Moved by: P. Chiocchio
Seconded by: N. Kapisavanhu

That the Board approve the attached quote #S-5969 from Wilmac Technologies (Wilmac) for the Niagara Regional Police Service (NRPS) NICE Call Logger Upgrade Project in the amount of \$284,276.90 before HST, \$321,232.90 including HST;

And further, that subject to the approval of the Regional Treasurer, a gross capital budget adjustment totaling \$300,000.00 and \$0 net to the Next Generation 911 (NG9-1-1) Equipment Replacement project, fully funded through the Ministry of the Solicitor General NG9-1-1 grant funding being received in year-3.

Carried

9.6 Special Fund Request - Canadian Association of Police Governance Conference

Correspondence dated May 3, 2024 from Deb Reid, Executive Director, Niagara Police Service Board, providing a copy of communication received from Stephen Reid, Executive Director, Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG), requesting a donation to support the 35th Annual CAPG Conference. (*Previous donations: 2002 - \$2,000, 2003 - 2006 - Gift items/raffle prizes; 2007 - 2020 - \$1,000, 2021 - \$1,500, 2023 - \$1,000*)

Moved by: K. Gibson
Seconded by: N. Kapisavanhu

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 (Friend Sponsor) from the Special Fund to the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) in support of its 2024 Annual Conference.

Carried

9.7 Special Fund Request - Canada Beyond the Blue - Ontario Police Suicide Memorial

Service report dated May 3, 2024 requesting the Board approve a donation in support of Canada Beyond the Blue Ontario Police Suicide Memorial Ceremony being held on June 23, 2024 at Queen's Park in Toronto in dedication to police members who have died "because of the line of duty". (*Previous donation: 2023 - \$1,537.50*)

Moved by: B. Steele
Seconded by: K. Gibson

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Special Fund in support of the Canada Beyond the Blue Police Suicide Memorial Ceremony.

Carried

9.8 Special Fund Request - Motorcycle Ride for Dad - Niagara Chapter

Service report dated April 9, 2024 requesting the Board consider a donation to the Motorcycle Ride for Dad campaign to raise money for prostate cancer awareness, research and education through the local Ride for Dad – Niagara Chapter fundraising initiative that will take place in multiple cities throughout Canada, including the Niagara Region. (*Previous donations: 2010-2012 - \$300, 2014-2019 - \$500, 2023 - \$2,000*).

Moved by: P. Chiochio
Seconded by: K. Gibson

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$2,000.00 from the Special Fund as a contribution to the 2024 Motorcycle Ride for Dad campaign.

Carried

9.9 Special Fund Request - Niagara Unity Awards Gala

Service report dated May 8, 2024 requesting the Board approve the purchase of two tables to support Niagara Regional Police representation at the Niagara Unity Awards Gala being held on June 5, 2024 to showcase the important success of individuals, organizations and groups that have made an impact for the 2SLGBTQA+ community within the Niagara Region. (*Previous donation: 2023 - \$841.18*)

Moved by: N. Kapisavanhu
Seconded by: P. Chiochio

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$841.18 from the Special Fund for the purchase of two tables at the 11th Annual Niagara Unity Awards Gala.

Carried

9.10 Special Fund Request - Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara - For Kids' Sake Golf Tournament

Service report dated May 3, 2024 requesting the Board approve a donation to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara to cover the registration of a NRPS golf foursome at their For Kids' Sake Annual Golf Tournament being held July 8, 2024 at Bridgewater Country Club in Fort Erie. (*This is a first-time funding request.*)

Moved by: K. Gibson
Seconded by: B. Steele

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$1,300.00 from the Special Fund to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara to cover the cost of the registration of a NRPS golf foursome at their For Kids' Sake Golf Tournament.

Carried

9.11 Special Fund Request - Crime Stoppers of Niagara - Annual Golf Tournament

Service report dated May 3, 2024 requesting the Board approve a donation to Crime Stoppers of Niagara for a hole sponsorship and the registration of a NRPS golf foursome at the Crime Stoppers' annual golf tournament being held August 19, 2024 at Whiskey Run Golf Club in Port Colborne. (*Previous donations: 2007 and 2014 - \$5,000 (Annual Conferences); 2019 - \$400; 2023 - \$1,250*)

Moved by: P. Chiochio
Seconded by: K. Gibson

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Special Fund to Crime Stoppers of Niagara for a hole sponsorship and the registration of a NRPS golf foursome at their 2024 Annual Golf Tournament.

Carried

9.12 Special Fund Request - United Way - Annual Golf Tournaments

Service report dated May 8, 2024 requesting the Board approve a donation to the United Way to cover the registration of a NRPS golf foursome at their Early Bird Classic and Spring Classic Annual Golf Tournaments being held May 28, 2024, at Cherry Hill Golf Club in Ridgeway and June 17, 2024, at Lookout Point Golf Club in Pelham. (*Previous donations: 2007-2010: \$500; 2011-2012, 2014-2019: \$1,000; 2021 - \$2,000; 2022-2023 - \$3,000.*)

Moved by: K. Gibson
Seconded by: N. Kapisavanhu

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$2,400.00 from the Special Fund to the United Way to cover the cost of the registration of a NRPS golf foursome at two of their golf tournaments.

Carried

9.13 Special Fund Request - NRPS Emergency Task Unit - Half Marathon

Service report dated May 13, 2024 requesting the Board approve a donation to sponsor members of the NRP's Emergency Task Unit that will be running a half marathon to raise funds for the McMaster Children's Hospital Foundation to assist the foundation with providing their clinical teams with the tools and environments to do their best work when caring for children and their families. (*Previous donation: 2023 - \$1,000*)

Moved by: B. Steele
Seconded by: P. Chiocchio

That the Board approve a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Special Fund to sponsor participation of NRPS Members in the Emergency Task Unit Half Marathon in support of McMaster Children's Hospital Foundation.

Carried

10. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business raised or discussed.

11. REPORTS FROM CLOSED SESSION

There were no reports from closed session meetings.

12. MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

Moved by: N. Kapisavanhu
Seconded by: K. Gibson

That the Board move into Closed Session for consideration of confidential matters pursuant to Section 44 of the Community Safety and Policing Act, namely for subject-matter related to potential litigation, human resources matters, information supplied in confidence by the Ministry of the Solicitor General (OPP) and legal matters that are subject to solicitor-client privilege.

Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Public Meeting adjourned at 10:44 am and the Board resolved into Closed Session.

Jen Lawson, Chair

Deb Reid, Executive Director