

**Minutes**  
**ELGIN GROUP POLICE SERVICES BOARD**  
**June 24, 2020**

The Elgin Group Police Services Board met in the Community Room at the Elgin County Detachment Office, 42696 John Wise Line with the following in attendance:

Sally Martyn, Chair  
Ida McCallum, Vice-Chair  
Dan Froese, Board Member  
Trudy Kanellis, Provincial Member  
Mike Butler, Acting Inspector  
Jeff McNorgan, Staff Sergeant  
Julie Gonyou, Secretary/Administrator  
Carolyn Krahn, Recording Secretary

**Call to Order:**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**Adoption of Minutes:**

Moved by: Trudy Kanellis  
Seconded by: Ida McCallum

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on January 22, 2020 be adopted.

- Motion Carried.

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:**

None.

**Reports:**

1) Overview of Ministry of the Solicitor General – Ontario Provincial Police Regional Roundtable Discussion held on February 19, 2020

Moved by: Ida McCallum  
Seconded by: Dan Froese

Resolved that the report titled “Overview of Ministry of the Solicitor General – Ontario Provincial Police Regional Roundtable Discussion held on February 19, 2020” from PSB Member Ida McCallum and PSB Member Trudy Kanellis be received for information.

- Motion Carried.

## 2) Detachment Commander's Quarterly Report

The Detachment Commander presented the quarterly information report for January – March 2020 highlighting the following:

### Records Management System

- Violent Crime – Assaults decreased from 49 in 2019 to 36 in 2020 for the first quarter.
- Property Crime – Break and enters decreased from 36 in 2019 to 16 in 2020 for the first quarter.

### Collision Reporting System

- There were two (2) fatal collisions in the first quarter.
- Personal injury incidents in 2020 increased by 29% in the first quarter.

### Police Services Board Report

- The number of cruiser patrol hours totaled 979.25; the number of school patrol hours totaled 31.75; and foot patrol hours totaled 29.50 for the quarter.
- Staff participated in Elgin County Emergency Operations Centre weekly videoconferences and Southwestern Public Health teleconferences for COVID-19.

Moved by: Trudy Kanellis  
Seconded by: Dan Froese

Resolved that the report be received and filed; and, that the Chair, on behalf of the Elgin Group PSB, be directed to send a letter to Elgin County Council, seeking their support for an evaluation of existing deer crossing warning signs on County Roads to be undertaken by the County's Engineering Department; and, that consideration be given to enhanced signage as recommended by the County Engineer in cooperation with Elgin OPP; and, that notification of any next steps be shared with the Elgin Group PSB.

- Motion Carried.

### **Correspondence:**

- 1) Letter from Chair Martyn to the Ministry of the Solicitor General requesting that a new member of the Elgin Group Police Services Board be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.
- 2) Letter from Lindsey Gray, Manager, Operations Unit, Public Safety Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, regarding the provincial vacancy on the Elgin Group Police Services Board.
- 3) OPP Enforcement During COVID-19 Pandemic News Release.

4) Phil Whitton, Superintendent Bureau Commander – Municipal Policing Bureau, with a letter regarding a change in security check and revenue distribution processes.

5) Thomas Carrique, Commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police, with a letter regarding recent protest activity.

6) Ontario Association of Police Services Boards with the 2020 OAPSB Annual General Meeting Update.

Moved by: Dan Froese

Seconded by: Ida McCallum

Resolved that Correspondence Items #1-6 be received and filed; and, that the Chair be directed to send a second letter to the Minister of the Solicitor General – Public Safety Division requesting that a new member of the Elgin Group Police Services Board be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council pursuant to Section 27 of the Police Services Act, as amended, as soon as possible, noting that a vacancy has existed on the Board since July 26, 2019; and further, that copies of the letter be sent to Jeff Yurek, MPP, and Karen Vecchio, MP, to encourage additional advocacy efforts for a new appointee, if appropriate.

- Motion Carried.

**New Business:**

None.

**Closed Session Items:**

Moved by: Dan Froese

Seconded by: Trudy Kanellis

Acting Inspector Butler requested to enter into closed session to discuss a matter regarding identifiable individuals.

Resolved that we do now proceed into closed meeting session in accordance with the Municipal Act to discuss matters under Municipal Act Section 239 (2):

**In-Camera Item #1**

*(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.*

- Motion Carried.

**Motion to Rise and Report**

Moved by: Trudy Kanellis  
Seconded by: Dan Froese

Resolved that we do now rise and report; and, that the verbal report from Regional Commander Chief Cain be received for information.

- Motion Carried.

**Other Items:**

None.

**Adjournment:**

Moved by: Dan Froese  
Seconded by: Ida McCallum

Resolved that we do now adjourn at 4:34 p.m. with the Board to meet on October 21, 2020, at 2:00 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

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Julie Gonyou,  
Secretary/Administrator.

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Sally Martyn,  
Chair.