

TOWN OF BERWICK POLICE ADVISORY MEETING
June 19, 2019

Present: Chair Councillor Rod Reeves, Chair
 Deputy Mayor Jane Bustin
 Mike Payne, CAO
 Sgt. Ryan Kelly
 Chris Goddard, Citizen Representative
 Chantal Pineo-Atwood, Executive Coordinator

Absent with regrets: Mayor Don Clarke
 Ella Redden, Bylaw Officer (to be)
 Fred McClintock, Citizen Representative
 Councillor Ashford-Morton
 Jane Perry, Neighbourhood Watch

1. Call to Order

The Police Advisory Meeting was called to order at 4:02pm.

2. Approval of Minutes:

The previous minutes were approved as circulated.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved as circulated.

4. Reports:

a. Sgt Ryan Kelly

Sgt. Ryan Kelly reviewed the Police Report for May, 2019.

Sgt. Kelly highlighted that there were a total of 87 service calls in the Town of Berwick during this reporting period.

It was also noted that Cst. Jeff Wilson will be patrolling Berwick on his bicycle during some points of the summer months, which was a welcomed idea by the committee.

5. Main Street West Speeding Issues

Sgt. Kelly noted that the he and some members have set up radar a number of times this past month in the area. A number of tickets and warnings have been given.

Mr. Payne explained that Public Works has put up new signage in the area as well – large 50 speed zone sign and Children Playing signage. Other signage and speed deterrents are being explored as well.

There will also be a new digital speed sign going up on Orchard Street.

6. Meeting Times

Council has considered earlier meeting times and have decided that 6:30pm meeting times are the best for the public. Going forward the Police Advisory Board will meeting every other month on a Wednesday at 6:30pm.

Next Meetings will be September 11th at 6:30pm and November 13th at 6:30pm.

7. Community Policing and Kings County Safety Office Space

Mr. Payne confirmed to the committee that these groups have now permanently moved to the RCMP building in New Minas, as town staff needed the space in the Town Hall. It was highlighted that if Cst. Wilson, or any member, needs space to work or to hold a meeting, staff will find space for them.

8. Youth Member

There has usually been a member of the youth sit on the Police Advisory Committee, but this has not been the case in the past year or so. Mr. Payne will ask Cst. Wilson if he could suggest a couple of students that we may approach for interest.

9. Comments

Mr. Goddard noted there has been parking between Waterbury Newton and the funeral home, on Commercial Street, in the no-parking lane.

Also, noted by many of the committee members, that there is a large amount of “cross cutting” through the Rite Way (Preston’s) parking lot...drivers who are in line at the four way stop.

10. Adjournment

After general discussion ensued, the Police Advisory Meeting adjourned at 4:56pm.