

Northumberland OPP Detachment Board Meeting

Friday November 15, 2024

Location: Hamilton Township Municipal Office

8285 Majestic Hills Drive

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The following Individuals were present for the meeting:

- Chairperson John Davison
- Vice Chairperson Lou Rinaldi
- Board Member Sandra Arthur
- Board Member Erik Kowal
- Board Member Rob Pope
- Board Member John Logel
- Board Member Brian Ostrander
- Board Member Robert McComb
- Executive Administrator Debbie McBride

Notification of absence by: Peter Gillespie
Jason Marsden

Call to Order

Chairperson John Davison called the meeting to order at 9:00am

Land Acknowledgement Statement

“We respectfully acknowledge that Northumberland County is located on the Mississauga Anishinaabeg territory and is the traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinaabeg.

Northumberland OPP Detachment Board respectfully acknowledges that the Mississauga Nation are the collective stewards and caretakers of these lands and waters in perpetuity, and that they continue this responsibility to ensure the health and integrity for generations to come.”

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None

Presentation from Kate Hall, Vidya Sunil, HKPR District Health Unit Situational Assessment of the Four Pillar Approach to Addressing the Drug Poisoning Crisis

Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge Health Unit Health Promoter Kate Hall, Epidemiologist Vidya Sunil along with Port Hope Police Chief Tim Farquharson presented to Board Members the Situational Assessment of the Four Pillar Approach to Addressing the Drug Poisoning Crisis.

The purpose of the report is to provide a situational assessment of local trends in drug use and poisoning and the four-pillar approach used to address the crisis in the County of Haliburton, City of Kawartha Lakes and Northumberland County.

Board Members were advised that in 2021 there were 50 drug poisoning deaths in the Health Unit Region. 20 of these deaths occurred in Northumberland County. In 2023 there were 36 drug poisoning deaths. Fentanyl was present in 86.1% (31/36) of the opioid related deaths that occurred within the Health Unit. There were 205 opioid related deaths from 2017 – 2023 within the HKPR district

The 4 Pillar Approach to addressing the Drug Poisoning Crisis are:

1. Prevention and Education

Investing in programs that support families and address youth mental health is critical to reduce the risk of substance use disorders in adulthood.

2. Treatment

Comprehensive integrated treatment programs are required. This includes physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, therapists, pharmacists, and connections to social services and harm reduction.

3. Harm Reduction

A range of harm reduction programs and services are needed to address the risks of drug poisoning. Harm reduction can be a pathway to healthcare and social services.

4. Community Safety

Policing associations provincially recognize substance use disorder as a public health issue, requiring diversion responses that are evidence-based and health-centered.

Kate Hall advised Board Members that her team would be willing to present this report to Municipalities.

Moved by: Brian Ostrander

Seconded by: Lou Rinaldi

That the presentation from the HKPR on the Situational Assessment of the Four Pillar Approach to Addressing the Drug Poisoning Crisis be forwarded to OPP Detachment Commander Kristy McNaughton and the Municipalities for information.

CARRIED.

Executive Administrator Debbie McBride will forward this information.

Additions to the Agenda

1. Chairperson John Davison request "Theft of Signs" be added to New Business
2. Board Member Erik Kowal request "Amazon Deliveries" be added to New Business

Confirmation of the Agenda

Moved by: Lou Rinaldi

Seconded by: Erik Kowal

That the NOPP Detachment Board hereby accepts the agenda for November 15, 2024, Board meeting, as amended.

CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes NOPP Detachment Board Meeting October 4, 2024

Moved by: Brian Ostrander

Seconded by: Rob Pope

To approve the minutes of the NOPP Detachment Board meeting of Friday October 4, 2024, as printed and circulated.

CARRIED.

Ontario Provincial Police Report for the Month of September 2024

Northumberland OPP Sergeant Pat Toms reviewed the matters of interest for the NOPP Detachment Board Members for the month of September 2024.

Moved by: John Logel

Seconded by: Erik Kowal

To approve the Northumberland Ontario Provincial Police Report for the month of September 2024 as circulated and reviewed.

CARRIED.

Correspondence

1. Email correspondence from Northumberland Detachment Commander Kristy McNaughton dated October 16, 2024. Re: Traffic Updates
Emailed to each NOPP Detachment Board Member for information October 16, 2024.
2. Email correspondence from Jennifer Williams, OAPSB Membership Coordinator dated October 22, 2024. Re: OAPSB Remuneration Survey Now Available
Emailed to each NOPP Detachment Board Member for information October 23, 2024.
3. Email correspondence from Jennifer Williams, OAPSB Membership Coordinator dated October 31, 2024. Re: Detachment Board Names & Logos for Your Detachment Board
Emailed to each NOPP Detachment Board Member for information October 31, 2024.
4. Email correspondence from Jennifer Williams, OAPSB Membership Coordinator dated November 11, 2024. Re: Email Addresses
Emailed to each NOPP Detachment Board Member for information November 11, 2024.

Moved by: Erik Kowal

Seconded by: John Logel

To receive all correspondence.

CARRIED.

New Business

1. Important Notice Regarding OPP Detachment Board Name & Logo for your Detachment Board

Chairperson John Davison advised Board Members that this email has been sent out several times and the Board has responded to the request.

2. Theft of Signs in Hamilton Township

Chairperson John Davison advised Board Members and OPP Sergeant that road signs around the area of Whites Road and Hillview Road have been cut off from the posts and stolen. Chairperson John Davison asked Sergeant Pat Toms if this matter could be reported to Crime Stoppers. Sergeant Pat Toms will have this matter passed to Crime Stoppers.

3. Amazon Delivery Concerns

Board Member Erik Kowal has heard concerns from citizens in Trent Hills regarding persons posing as Amazon Drivers. There has been “talk” that citizens have observed these persons opening car doors. OPP Sergeant Pat Toms advised that any suspicious behavior should be reported to the OPP. Sergeant Pat Toms will inform Detachment Commander Kristy McNaughton of these concerns and inquire if anyone has reported this activity.

Old Business

None

Closed Session

Moved by: John Davison

Seconded by: Erik Kowal

That the Board move into Closed Session under Section 44 (h) of the Community and Safety and Policing Act 2019, at 10:31am.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Brian Ostrander

Seconded by: Lou Rinaldi

To adjourn the Closed Session at 10:50am

CARRIED.

The purpose of the Closed Session was to discuss the following:

- Shared costs for the Northumberland OPP Detachment Board for 2024
- The Northumberland OPP Detachment Board Budget for 2025
- The contract with the County of Northumberland to administer the finances of the Northumberland OPP Detachment Board

Moved by: Erik Kowal

Seconded by: John Logel

To accept the shared costs for the Northumberland OPP Detachment Board for 2024.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Brian Ostrander

Seconded by: Rob Pope

To accept the budget for the Northumberland OPP Detachment Board at \$70,534.12 for 2025.

CARRIED.

Moved by: Erik Kowal
Seconded by: John Logel

To accept the agreement from the County of Northumberland to administer the finances of the Northumberland OPP Detachment Board and further the NOPP Board and the County of Northumberland will review the agreement annually.
CARRIED.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Friday January 17, 2025, at 9:00am.
Location to be announced.

Adjournment

Moved by: Brian Ostrander
Seconded by: Rob Pope

That there be no further business before the Northumberland OPP Detachment Board, the meeting hereby be adjourned at 11:08 am.

CARRIED.

John Davison
Chairperson

Debbie McBride
Executive Administrator