

A regular meeting of the Middleton Police Advisory Board (PAB) was held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, January 14, 2014, starting at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Chairing the meeting, Jan Davis; member Gordon Rodgers, Councillors John Himmelman, Marc Britney and Melinda den Haan; RCMP member S/Sgt. John De Winter; Acting Chief Administrative, Officer Brian Smith and Recording Secretary, Sharon McAuley.

Also in attendance were Mayor Calvin Eddy, Deputy Mayor Dan Smith and Councillor Gail Smith.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Chair Davis advised the Board that there were no changes or additions to the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councillor Himmelman advised that he had attended the meeting on September 10, 2013 although his name was not recorded.

It was moved by Councillor Britney, seconded by G. Rodgers, that the minutes of the last Police Advisory Board meeting of September 10, 2013, be approved as amended. Motion carried.

4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Provincial Representative

CAO MacMurtry had sent a letter to Pat Delaney outlining the process to be appointed as the Provincial Representative on the Middleton Police Advisory Board. The Town followed up with Mr. Delaney and he is no longer interested in the position.

5. RCMP REPORT

S/Sgt. De Winter informed the Board of activities undertaken in the area by the RCMP.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Drugs in Middleton

Members of the Board have been receiving complaints regarding drugs being sold at various locations in Middleton. S/Sgt. De Winter advised the Board that people should phone the RCMP if they see drug activity taking place.

6.2 Possibility of New detachment in Middleton

S/Sgt. de Winter asked the Board to consider a new detachment in Middleton. The current space houses eight members and does not allow for expansion. With additional space, some current and new positions may be housed in Middleton.

6.3 Annapolis Regional RCMP Advisory Board

Acting CAO Smith informed the Board that discussions have taken place at the Annapolis Partnership Steering Committee (APSC) meetings regarding policing including the concerns around staffing levels, proactive service and communication between the RCMP and municipal units. The APSC passed a motion to take the concept of a creating a regional police advisory board back to their Councils for comments. The Middleton Council referred the matter to the Police Advisory Board for their comments and recommendations.

The Board agreed that they would like to maintain a separate Police Advisory Board for Middleton and seek more joint meetings and training with other Annapolis County Police Advisory Boards.

7. ANYTHING BY MEMBERS

The Board thanked the RCMP for:

- the telephone calls to victims advising them when the suspects are caught;
- for the extra hours put in by the members even though they are working with fewer staff.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Board agreed to meet bi-monthly. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Himmelman, seconded by G. Rodgers, that the Board adjourn at 8:38 p.m. Motion carried.



CHAIR



RECORDING SECRETARY