



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
POLICE SERVICES BOARD

PUBLIC MINUTES

Thursday, September 27, 2007

Niagara Police Services Board
Board Room 4th Floor, 110 James Street, St. Catharines

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board commenced at 8:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. L. Iggulden, Chair
Mr. D. Martin, Vice Chair
Mr. B. Bentley
Mr. T. Shoalts
Mr. B. Smeaton
Mr. L. Tufford
Mr. M. Woodhouse

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chief of Police W.E. Southall
Deputy Chief of Police G. Beaulieu
Superintendent G. Dagenais, Western Region
Superintendent D. Kane, Emergency/Invest. Services
Superintendent J. Matthews, Executive Services
Superintendent D. Parrent, Special Projects
Superintendent R. Wright, Eastern Region
Inspector D. Jastrubecki, Emergency & Investigative Services
Inspector S. McLean, Executive Officer
Inspector C. Scott, Emergency Services
P.C. S. Basilone, Media Officer
Ms. M. George, Director of Business Services
Ms. L. DiDonato-DeChellis, Finance Manager
Ms. L. Jerome, Human Resources Manager
Mr. S. Patterson, Fleet Manager

Ms. D. Morton, Executive Director
Ms. S. Taylor, Executive Assistant

St. Catharines STANDARD

Ms. A. Kriluck, Managing Editor

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT/PECUNIARY INTEREST

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

178. Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held Thursday, August 30, 2007.

Moved by: B. Smeaton
Seconded by: B. Bentley

That the Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held Thursday, August 30, 2007 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

REPORTS FROM THE BOARD CHAIRPERSON

Chair Iggulden reported:

Back to School Traffic Enforcement - On Tuesday, September 4 every available sworn member of the Niagara Police Service arrived at work in uniform and took part in the annual traffic enforcement initiative conducted on the first day of the school year. This initiative is intended to raise awareness of drivers to the increased number of young pedestrians and cyclists, and the decreased speed limits in the marked school zones. The officers focused on being visible, observing activities at crosswalks and intersections, ensuring driver compliance with stopped school buses displaying flashing lights, and checking child safety restraint systems. As a result of the initiative, 439 vehicles were stopped, 372 drivers were issued Provincial Offence Notices, 67 drivers received warnings for various traffic violations, and 1 driver was arrested for a driving offence.

Niagara College Lockdown Incident - On September 14 members of the Police Service were called to Niagara College's Welland Campus, to investigate a report of a male armed with a handgun. The officers, in conjunction with Niagara College security personnel, initiated a lockdown of the Merritt and Simcoe buildings and a residence facility, setting up a perimeter around the buildings while a controlled evacuation was conducted. During the evacuation, the male suspect attempted to evade detection by mixing in with other students, however, officers on scene recognized the male and were able to apprehend him without incident. At the time of his arrest, the male was in possession of an unloaded weapon.

Child Exploitation and Pornography Arrest - In May of 2007, Internet Child Exploitation detectives from the London Police Service Cyber Crime Unit commenced a child pornography and child exploitation investigation. The suspect, identified as a Welland resident, was engaged in ongoing contact with an investigator while on the Internet. During the course of the investigation, members of the Niagara Regional Police Service's Child Abuse Unit were providing assistance.

On September 17, based on communication with the suspect, the investigators learned that a child was in need of protection. Following receipt of a search warrant, NRPS members of the Child Abuse Unit with 3 District Street Crime Unit and uniform members and assistance from the London Police Service, seized computer equipment and other evidence from the Welland home, arresting a 49-year-old male for distributing child pornography and counselling a person to have sexual contact with a child under the age of 14 years.

This incident was recognized at the Provincial Internet Luring and Child Pornography Conference being held this week. During opening remarks the investigation was acknowledged and complimented for the multi-jurisdictional cooperation that was demonstrated by the various police investigative units. Additionally, the National Director of the National Child Exploitation Coordination Center, RCMP Superintendent Earla Kim McColl, mentioned a Niagara case in which a 7-year-old had been molested by a neighbour as an example of a child who had been rescued due to the new investigative initiatives. McColl also noted the work of the Ontario Police Video Training Alliance in producing the video, "Stolen Innocence", which is being provided to conference participants.

Niagara Ice Dogs Partner with NRPS - The Niagara Regional Police Service and the Niagara Ice Dogs are partnering to address issues relevant to the community. The joint venture, dubbed "Cops and Dogs", will see members of the Ice Dogs and Niagara police officers deliver educational presentations to elementary and high schools across the Region, tackling issues like drug awareness, bullying, and safe driving. The partnership is also intended to go beyond the classroom, with commitments to joint charity events, attendance at the Niagara Children's Safety Village, and a mentoring program for Ice Dogs players who have an interest in law enforcement as a career.

At the Board's suggestion, Chief Southall will investigate the inclusion of the Crime Stoppers' Program in this initiative.

2007 Canadian Police and Peace Officers' Memorial - Chief Southall and Deputy Chief Beaulieu will join other members of the NRPS in Ottawa for the annual Police and Peace Officers' Memorial on Sunday, September 30, 2007 where tribute will be paid to the sacrifice of brave men and women killed in the performance of their duties.

PRESENTATIONS

DEPUTATIONS

NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

179. **Regional Municipality of Niagara – CL 12-2007 September 6, 2007 (CS 12-2007 August 28, 2007)**

The Board considered a letter September 7, 2007 from Pam Gilroy, Regional Clerk, RMON, providing the Board with the Regional Council approval on September 6, 2007 of the Corporate Services Committee recommendations:

CSC 38-2007 (July 30, 2007) respecting NRPS Purchasing – Annual Maintenance Contract – FileNet Canada Inc. (134.2007);

CSC 39-2007 (July 30, 2007) respecting NRPS Variance Report to June 30, 2007 – (138.2007);

CSC 40-2007 (July 30, 2007) respecting NRPS – Crisis Negotiation Console/Field Communication System (C.165.2007).

181. **City of St. Catharines**

The Board considered a letter dated September 12, 2007 from Ken Todd, Clerk and Director of Corporate Support Services, City of St. Catharines, providing the Board with City Council's August 27, 2007 motion regarding the retention of the Niagara Regional Police Service Headquarters in downtown St. Catharines.

182. **Niagara Region Police Association**

The Board considered a letter dated September 4, 2007 from Paul DiSimoni, President, Niagara Region Police Association, acknowledging the Board's financial support from the Special Fund toward NRPA's first *Annual Chip It for Charity Gold Tournament* to enable its successful goal.

183. **Brock University Campus Security Services – Quarterly Report on Special Constables**

The Board considered a Report 221/2007 from Mr. Steven Pillar, Vice President, Finance and Administration, Brock University, providing the Board with information relating to complaints, use of force, discipline and arrests associated to the Special Constables employed through Brock University Campus Security Services during the 3rd quarter of operations in 2007.

184. **Annual Report – Criminal Investigation Management and Procedure**

The Board considered Service report 225/2007 dated September 10, 2007 providing the Board with a summary of the Criminal Investigation Management plan including NRPS General Order 095.04 Major Incidents and Routine Criminal Investigations in concert with ten related General Orders detailing duties and responsibilities of officers, supervisors and specialty officers upon response to and investigation of specific offences; supervisory compliance with the Provincial Adequacy Standards regulations including utilization of the Ontario Case Management Database as a monitoring device; confirmation of staff training in completion of the Ontario Police College approved General Investigative Technique (GIT) course and further enhanced training for the Ontario Major Case Management system, and confirmation of appropriate use of investigative supports in the areas of crime analysis, forensic identification, canine tracking, physical surveillance, electronic interception, video and photographic surveillance, polygraph and behavioural science as per the relevant NRPS general orders, pursuant to Board By-law 198-2000.

185. **Annual Report – Emotionally Disturbed Persons**

The Board considered Service report 232/2007 dated August 31, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance with the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation LE-013 for police response to emotionally disturbed persons or to those who have a mental illness or developmental disability with respect to the established processes for multi-agency involvement through the revision of the NRPS General Order and 2002 Protocol for identification, judicial and victim support; procedures addressing police response through the Elder and Vulnerable Adult Coordinator; establishment of agreements to ease hospital assessments by police for special needs people; monitoring mandated skills development and learning plans to officers, communications operators/dispatchers and supervisors regarding local protocols, conflict resolution and use of force in situations involving special needs persons; the continual monitoring of Service compliance through a team of police officers with special training in mental health issues with anticipated benefits such as reduced injury and use of force, immediate response, increased pre-charge diversion to the justice system, identification of under-served consumers, less victimless crime arrests, officer recognition and community appreciation, partnership establishment between police and the mental health system, and cost savings to the Service with decreased officer time spent on mental health calls, pursuant to Board By-law 205-2000.

186. **Annual Report – Traffic Management Enforcement & Road Safety Plan**

The Board considered Service report 214/2007 dated August 30, 2007 providing the Board with a summary of the current NRPS Traffic Enforcement initiatives including the Enhanced R.I.D.E. Program; Traffic Safety and Enforcement Day; Directed Enforcement Initiatives, i.e., aggressive driving, seatbelt use, etc.; the Special Enforcement Unit concentration on regional traffic enforcement and the Traffic Reconstruction Unit; Educational Traffic Initiatives which include the multi-representational Regional Niagara Road Safety Committee, the Niagara-on-the-Lake community initiative Road Watch and the secondary-school directed Drive Safe; compliance with Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation LE-017 with the establishment of the Traffic Management and Enforcement Plan (2004) and Traffic Safety Plan (2005), both identified for revision and review to reflect current realities and to further ensure Service compliance with the provincial adequacy standards, pursuant to Board By-law 209-2000.

187. **Annual Report – Elder and Vulnerable Adult Abuse**

The Board considered Service report 230/2007 dated August 21, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulations LE-213 for Elder and Vulnerable Adult Abuse; written procedures governing such abuse investigations as governed by the specific General Order reflecting the enhanced Senior Support Coordinator position and the response to the community by the Service; monitored through the new Versadex system and its captured information providing more a accurate baseline of calls for future comparisons; mandatory officer training aided through an OPTVA Video Unit production; the monitoring and evaluation of Service responses through the regular review of calls for service and police response; the development of a Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse in Niagara, the Senior Support Coordinator's lecture series on senior safety supported with published material, pursuant to Board By-law 213-2000.

188. **Annual Report – Criminal Harassment**

The Board considered Service report 226/2007 dated August 23, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation LE-028 pertaining to Criminal Harassment through the listed summary of written procedures outlined in the revised General Order; confirmation of Service compliance through monitoring of calls for service by communications staff, the uniform patrol supervisor, review by the uniform platoon staff sergeant followed by the divisional CIB sergeant or staff sergeant and possible follow-up if deemed necessary, reviewed and approved by the appropriate regulatory agencies, supported through enhanced mandated training, pursuant to Board By-law 220-2000.

189. **Annual Report – Marine Unit**

The Board considered Service report 211/2007 dated August 23, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation LE-035 regarding the NRPS Marine Unit; written procedures set out in the relevant General Order in compliance with the *Police Services Act* outlining the responsibility of the NRPS in provision of police services to all navigable bodies and courses of water within the Niagara Region; full compliance through the provision of seven fully trained officers augmented with three RCMP officers and one Niagara Parks Police officer for the 2007 season; established relationships with the Marine Security Enforcement Teams comprised of the RCMP, the Canadian Coast Guard and local police services, and the U.S. Marine Unit counterparts including the Erie County Sheriffs, Niagara County Sheriffs, US Coast Guard Buffalo and Youngstown, pursuant to Board By-law 227-2000.

190. **Annual Report – Fraud and False Pretence Investigation**

The Board considered Service report 224/2007 dated September 12, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation LE-038 regarding the NRPS Fraud and False Pretence Investigations; written procedures set out in the relevant General Orders outlining the conduct of investigations, the duties and responsibilities of investigating officers, establishment of protocol with the Region of Niagara Social Services Department, assistance to victims of fraud, the elder or vulnerable adults; information sharing with pertinent agencies; mandated officer training at the Ontario Police College to ensure expertise with ever-increasing technological advances, and participation in North American fraud investigation organizations; the centralization of the NRPS Districts 1, 2 and 3 Fraud Units to the Central Fraud Unit occurred in May 2007 for more effective response, aided by the Versaterm RMS system to identify developing problems through the increased number of fraud alerts and media releases to the community regarding fraud schemes, pursuant to Board By-law 230-2000.

191. **Annual Report – Robbery Investigations**

The Board considered Service report 227/2007 dated August 28, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation LE-042 regarding NRPS Robbery Investigations; written procedures set out in the relevant General Orders relating to the conduct of robbery investigations and responsibility of investigating officers; specialized training through the Ontario Major Case Management system, basic investigative training through General Investigative Training and specialized training offered through the Ontario Police College, and a five-year statistical review of reported robberies and clearance rates for Niagara, pursuant to Board By-law 234-2000.

192. **Annual Report – Public Order Unit**

The Board considered Service report 216/2007 dated August 27, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation PO-001 regarding Public Order Units; written procedures as set out in the *Police Services Act* and the relevant General Orders require and permit an agreement with the Hamilton Police Service to make available Niagara's Public Order Unit for civil disturbances and mass arrests, linkage under the Criminal Code of Canada to address unlawful assemblies and riot situations; and advising that the services of the NRPS Public Order Unit have not been required during the reporting period, pursuant to Board By-law 239-2000.

193. **Annual Report – Police Action at Labour Disputes**
The Board considered Service report 205/2007 dated August 30, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation PO-002 regarding Police Action at Labour Disputes; written procedures as set out in the relevant General Order outlining police conduct to maintain peaceful demonstrations at strike locations; the Labour Dispute Liaison Unit under the direction of the Duty Office is designed to keep the peace, meet directly with the affected parties to determine intention, maintain appropriate information on anticipated and current labour disputes in Niagara, maintain continual liaison with other enforcement agencies and assist the Training Unit; there is no formal training for officers within the province; police responded to four labour disputes in 2006 and Labour Liaison Officers dealt with several strikes that were averted and dealt with several information pickets, pursuant to Board By-law 240-2000.
194. **Annual Report – Preliminary Perimeter Control**
The Board considered Service report 213/2007 dated August 30, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation ER-001 regarding Preliminary Perimeter Control; written procedures as set out in the relevant General Order of the Emergency Task Unit outlining the circumstances, operational responsibility, deployment of other emergency response services and duties of the involved officer; verification of Ministry accreditation of the procedure; confirmation of development and maintenance of the manual on containment team services; confirmation of the training of the direct officer participants as well as the Marine and Canine Units to the Emergency Task Unit standards, pursuant to Board By-law 241-2000.
195. **Annual Report – Explosives**
The Board considered Service report 212/2007 dated August 27, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation ER-006 regarding Explosives; written procedures as set out in the relevant General Orders outlining the requirement to have trained seven fully trained police Explosive Forced Entry and Explosive Disposal Technicians at all times; additional informal mutual aid arrangements with a number of neighbouring agencies in the event of a major incident; the existence of continually updated technical manuals; NRPS training that meets or exceeds mandated requirements with attendance and instruction by NRPS technicians through national professional memberships; Unit deployment has occurred 36 times in the reporting period, pursuant to Board By-law 246-2000.
196. **Annual Report – Speed Detection Devices**
The Board considered Service report 215/2007 dated August 30, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation AI-013 regarding Speed Measuring Devices and training available to NRPS officers; written procedures as set out in the relevant General Order including the assignment of a Speed Management Coordinator (SMC) to oversee the inventory and repairs of government approved speed measuring devices; confirmation of trained officers for the operation of the various devices, pursuant to Board By-law 270-2005.
197. **Annual Report – Underwater Search and Recovery Unit**
The Board considered Service report 210/2007 dated August 21, 2007 providing the Board with Service compliance to the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation ER-009 regarding the NRPS Underwater Search and Recovery Unit; written procedures as set out in the relevant General Order outlining the operations of the seven member Unit, available at all times within reasonable response time; maintenance of detailed diving hazard information; operations in accordance with the relevant requirements stipulated by regulations including the Canadian Standards Association Competency Standard, Occupational Safety Code for Diving Operations and Occupational Health and Safety Act Diving Regulation; Unit deployment record, Appendix C, indicates 17 dives in 2006 and 15 in 2007 to date in Niagara and the Kitchener Waterloo Region; confirmation of training is found in Appendix B to the report, pursuant to Board By-law 273-2005.

198. **Special Fund Account**

The Board considered Service report 233/2007 dated September 17, 2007 providing the Board with the activities within the Special Fund for the period of August 1 to August 31, 2007.

Moved by: L. Tufford
Seconded by: D. Martin

That the information be received.

Carried.

B. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

180. **Regional Municipality of Niagara – COTW 7-2007 September 6, 2007**

The Board considered a letter September 10, 2007 from Pam Gilroy, Regional Clerk, RMON, providing the Board with Regional Council's September 6, 2007 recommendation and staff direction following Chair Iggulden and Chief Southall's presentation relating to the NRPS Long-Term Accommodations Strategy:

"That Correspondence Item C6949; the Board Report respecting the Niagara Regional Police Service Long Term Accommodations Strategy (August 23, 2007); the Niagara Regional Police Service Needs Assessment and Accommodation Plan; Cost Benefit Analysis/Accommodations Strategies; Executive Summary and the 6 District Operations Analysis, be received for information as amended to reflect that the Niagara Region owns the property and facilities; and

That the Niagara Regional Police Service provide Regional Council with the confidential portions of the reports in a confidential report."

Staff Direction:

Staff was instructed to investigate a mechanism that provides for a collaborative approach to the implementation of the Niagara Regional Police Service Long-Term Accommodations Strategy and at the same time respecting the authority and responsibilities of the Niagara Regional Police Services Board and the Niagara Region.

Moved by: M. Woodhouse
Seconded by: L. Tufford

That the information be received;

And further, that as requested, Regional Council be provided with the clearly identified amended 'confidential' property portions of the long-term accommodations strategy reports, pursuant to legislation.

Carried.

199. **Regional Municipality of Niagara – C6930 Framework for Review of Policing Service Delivery – Haldimand County**

The Board considered a memorandum dated September 11, 2007 from Pam Gilroy, Regional Clerk, RMON, providing the Board with a referral for appropriate action from Regional Council at its July 26, 2007 meeting regarding correspondence from Janis Lankester, Clerk, Haldimand County, dated July 5, 2007 requesting the Niagara Region indicate their interest in responding to a Request for Proposals for the provision of policing services to Haldimand County on a contract basis.

Moved by: M. Woodhouse
Seconded by: T. Shoalts

That the Niagara Police Services Board respectfully declines to respond to Haldimand County's July 26, 2007 Request for Proposals for the provision of policing services for Haldimand County.

Carried.

200. **The St. Catharines STANDARD**

The Board considered a letter dated September 17, 2007 from Andrea Kriluck, Managing Editor, St. Catharines STANDARD, providing the Board with the newspaper's rationale that the Board is required to provide notice to the community when holding any meeting, including an in-camera meeting.

Moved by: M. Woodhouse
Seconded by: B. Bentley

That the Board defer the matter to an in-camera meeting, rise and report the Board decision in the Public portion.

Carried.

CLOSED SESSION, RISE AND REPORT:

Moved by:
Seconded by:

WHEREAS the Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Services Board had considered the issues raised with respect to the Board's Procedural By-law #147-95 as outlined in the correspondence from the St. Catharines STANDARD dated August 17, 2007 and September 17, 2007, including the legal advice provided to the Board on this issue;

AND WHEREAS the Board considers that its current practice accords with its Procedural By-law #147-95I, the *Ontario Police Services Act*, and the established practices of other Ontario Police Services Boards;

AND WHEREAS the Board has considered the nature of policing issues as outlined in Section 35(4) of the *Police Services Act* dealt with at any special in-camera meetings that may be called;

THEREFORE THE BOARD HEREBY RESOLVES to maintain its current procedures respecting special in-camera meetings;

AND FURTHER, that Mr. Rick VanSickle and Ms. Andrea Kriluck of the St. Catharines STANDARD be informed in writing of the Board's decision in this matter.

Carried.

201. **NRPS Variance Report – to August 31, 2007**

The Board considered Service report 235/2007, dated September 14, 2007, providing the Board with a financial overview and year-end forecast for both the Service and the Board to August 31, 2007.

Chief Southall reported that overtime continues to be closely monitored, and that the Service will be in a good financial position for the balance of 2007.

Moved by: D. Martin
Seconded by: L. Tufford

That the information be received.

Carried.

202. **Police Services Board - 2008 Draft Current Budget**

The Board considered a memorandum dated September 17, 2007 from Deb Morton, Executive Director, requesting the Board approve its 2008 draft budget in the amount of \$712,619 reflecting a 5% decrease over the approved 2007 budget.

Moved by: D. Martin
Seconded by: L. Tufford

That the Board approve the 2008 budget for the operation of the Police Services Board.

Carried.

203. **Purchasing – Alternate Fuel Initiatives & Hybrid Vehicle Replacements 2007**

The Board considered Service report 236/2007 dated September 17, 2007 requesting the Board approve the purchase of an alternate fuel replacement vehicle, commence the tender process for four hybrid electric replacement vehicles as deemed appropriate, the purchase and installation of a natural gas conversion kit for a Chevrolet Impala and purchase and installation of five propane conversion kits for Crown Victorias to provide an operational assessment of alternate fuel usage for the Service fleet.

Chief Southall will check the relevant Canadian and American vehicle prices noting the parity recently achieved by Canadian currency.

Moved by: B. Bentley
Seconded by: L. Tufford

That the Board:

1. **Approve the purchase of a new Ford Escape Hybrid from Ed Learn Ford at a cost of \$27,750.00 plus applicable taxes, utilizing budgeted vehicle replacement funds from Capital Project PO0701, 2007 Vehicles;**
2. **Commence the tender process to secure the purchase of four (maximum) Hybrid Electric vehicles made up of Honda(s) and Toyota(s) models for vehicle replacements as deemed appropriate, eventual purchases will be funded from PO0701;**
3. **The purchase and installation of one natural gas conversion kit to be fitted to a Chevrolet Impala model vehicle at a cost \$2,400.00, the expenditure will be charged to budgeted funds in 7557-1810;**
4. **The purchase and installation of five SFI propane conversion kits to be fitted to five Crown Victoria model vehicles at a cost of \$21,500.00, the expenditure will be charged to budgeted funds in 7557-1810.**

Carried.

204. **2007 NRPS In-house United Way Campaign – Incentive-Donation Request**

The Board considered Service report 223/2007 dated September 12, 2007 requesting the Board consider assistance to the Service's in-house 2007 United Way Campaign through the repetition of the 2005 Board-approved incentive program and/or a prize or cash donation of \$500.00 to encourage member participation in the 2007 campaign.

The Board discussed the rationale behind the employee incentive program noting that personal contributions should be donated by the individual's conscience.

Moved by: M. Woodhouse
Seconded by: B. Bentley

That the Board authorize a contribution of \$500.00 from Special Fund to the NRPS BBQ as the kick-off event to the 2007 in-house United Way Campaign

Carried.

205. **Request for Sponsorship – Canadian Cancer Society**

The Board considered a memorandum dated September 4, 2007 from Deb Morton, Executive Director, providing the Board with a letter received from the Welland/Pelham branch of the Canadian Cancer Society requesting a donation for a fundraising event in support of cancer research, education and information programs.

Moved by: M. Woodhouse
Seconded by: B. Smeaton

That the request for funding be denied.

Carried.

206. **Ontario Association of Police Services Boards – Seminar November 1-2, 2007**

The Board considered a communication from the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards regarding their upcoming two-day seminar to be held in Richmond Hill on November 1-2, 2007 which will provide relevant information for Police Services Board members.

Moved by: D. Martin
Seconded by: B. Bentley

That any Board member wishing to attend contact the Board's Executive Director.

Carried.

207. **NRPS Long-Term Accommodation Strategy – Public Consultation Process**

The Board considered a memorandum dated September 25, 2007 from Deb Morton, Executive Director, outlining the process for public consultation as part of the development of the Niagara Regional Police Service long-term accommodations strategy.

Ms. Morton reported that Mr. Mike Trojan, Regional CAO, has supported the proposed timelines.

Moved by: T. Shoalts
Seconded by: M. Woodhouse

That the Board endorse the process for public consultation as outlined in the report.

Carried.

IN-CAMERA REPORTS

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222.

2007 **Special Investigations Unit Report – Motor Vehicle Collision – May 13, 2007**

At the Confidential Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, August 30, 2007, the Board considered Service report C.159/2007 dated July 31, 2007 providing the Board with the decision of the SIU Director following the SIU investigation into the May 13, 2007 motor vehicle accident involving a NRPS officer, with the determination that there are no grounds to believe that the officer involved had committed any criminal offence, and furthermore, that the investigation revealed that the officer was driving at or under the speed limit and had the right of way.

The following Motion was duly passed:

“That the information be received;

And further, that the Board makes the report available to the public. Carried.”

Moved by: L. Tufford
Seconded by: B. Bentley

That the information be received.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Chairperson

Executive Director