



**REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

PUBLIC MINUTES

Thursday, November 26, 2009

**Niagara Police Services Board
Multipurpose Room 1st Floor, 110 James Street, St. Catharines**

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board commenced at 8:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

Mr. W.B. McKaig, Board Solicitor (arrived at 10:00 a.m.)
Ms. D. Morton, Executive Director
Ms. S. Taylor, Executive Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

Chief of Police W.E. Southall
Deputy Chief of Police J. Matthews
CAO G. Fuentes
Superintendent R. Wright, Emergency & Investigative Support
Superintendent S. Kenney, Eastern Region
A/Superintendent D. Jastrubecki, Central Region
Inspector J. McCaffery, Executive Officer
P.C. T. Manney, Community Services
P.C. N. Davé, Media Officer
Ms. M. George, Director of Business Services
Mr. A. Askoul, Director Information & Communication Technology
Dr. P. Divers, Corporate Analyst
Ms. L. DiDonato-DeChellis, Manager Finance
Ms. A. Hepplewhite, Manager Corporate Records & Information
Management
Ms. D. Stevenson, Manager, Information Services

PRESENTATION:

NRPS P.C. E. Lindsay,
2009 United Way Campaign Member

GUEST:

Mr. G. Lockyer,
Niagara Region Treasurer/Director
Financial Management & Planning

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT/PECUNIARY INTEREST

Member Woodhouse declared a conflict of interest with respect to any matters dealing with Niagara College where he is employed, and would therefore take no part in discussion nor voting with respect to these matters.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

213. Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held Thursday, October 29, 2009.

Moved by: T. Shoalts
Seconded by: B. Smeaton

That the Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held Thursday, October 29, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

REPORTS FROM THE BOARD CHAIRPERSON

Chair Iggulden reported the following:

Ground Breaking Ceremony – 8 District Grimsby Police Facility

On November 4 Chair Iggulden, Mayor Bentley, Chief Southall, Regional Chair Partington and other dignitaries attended the ground breaking ceremony for the new site of 8 District police facility at 45 Clarke Street in Grimsby. This symbolizes the commencement of the Niagara Regional Police Service's Long-Term Facilities Plan. Chair Iggulden noted that he looks forward to a similar ceremony to celebrate the ground breaking for the new 5 District Fort Erie facility.

Business Plan Steering Committee

On November 12, Members Woodhouse, Shoalts and the Board's Executive Director attended the Business Plan Steering Committee meeting with Service representatives to review the planning process for development of the Board and Service 2010-2012 Business Plan. This will include a review of the mission, vision and beliefs; current and future policing challenges; achievements during the previous business planning cycle, and goals and strategies for 2010-2012. Member Shoalts and Deputy Chief Matthews were selected as the Co-Chairs of the Business Plan Steering Committee. On behalf of the Board, Chair Iggulden thanked Member Shoalts for his participation.

NRPS United Way Christmas Breakfast

On December 3 the Service will be holding a United Way Christmas Breakfast in support of its 2009 fundraising campaign. The breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the PSB boardroom, 1st floor, 110 James Street. All Board members are invited to attend.

Senior Officers Christmas and Retirees Celebration

On December 4 the Senior Officers' Association is hosting its Annual Christmas and Retirees Night at the Whirlpool Golf Course. The Board Chair and Mrs. Iggulden have been extended an invitation to attend this event on behalf of the Board.

Upcoming Meetings – 1st Floor Boardroom, 110 James Street, St. Catharines

- Next Board Meeting – Thursday, December 17 at 8:30 a.m.
- No Committee meetings scheduled in December due to the seasonal holiday schedule.

REPORTS FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief of Police Southall reported the following:

Operational Statistics

Marihuana Grow Operations

For the period January 1 through November 26, 2009:
Total street value seized \$11,254,000 compared to \$21,014,000 for 2008;
Total equipment seized \$520,000 compared to \$728,688 for 2008.

Homicides

For the period January 1 through November 26, 2009:
4 compared to 6, same period 2008.

Robberies

For the period October 26 through November 26, 2009:
26 with 11 cleared, a 43% clearance rate this period.

Traffic Fatality Statistics

For the period January 1 through November 26, 2009:
23 collisions (25 deceased), compared to
27 collisions (29 deceased), same period 2008.

Life-Threatening Injury Collisions

For the period January 1 through November 26, 2009:
29 compared to 30, same period 2008,

Introduction of Constable Evan Lindsay

As part of serving the Niagara communities, Niagara Regional Police officers take pride in helping the United Way. In 2006, Constable Matt King sat in a police cruiser for 72 consecutive hours. In 2007, two Constables were "on the beat" for 24-hours straight in downtown St. Catharines. In 2008, Constable Evan Lindsay served Tim Horton's patrons over a 24-hour period in St. Catharines, all events to raise awareness and funds for the United Way Campaign in the Niagara Region.

On November 24 Constable Lindsay returned to duty at Tim Horton's, and worked a total of 27 hours in a row, surpassing last year's total. All employee tips and donations from the public were graciously donated to the 2009 United Way campaign.

Chief Southall announced that his efforts have resulted in over \$4,000 being raised to support community programs in the Niagara Region. The Chief offered congratulations Constable Lindsay and to all members of the NRPS United Way committee that to date have raised over \$40,000.00 that will be used to make a difference in the Region of Niagara.

OPERATION ROAD WORTHY Targets Unsafe Vehicles

As part of the NRPS Traffic Management and Road Safety Plan and to assist in preventing motor vehicle collisions, the NRPS Traffic Services, Special Enforcement Units and Uniform District Officers conducted a number of Operation "Road Worthy" projects in the cities of St. Catharines and Port Colborne.

A total of 97 motor vehicles were stopped: 74 were escorted to an inspection site for mechanical examination; 31 vehicles were taken off the roadway immediately and their plates seized, 36 vehicles were ordered to have repairs completed or face equipment charges. Officers also issued 29 Provincial Offence Notices for a variety of Highway Traffic Act offences with two drivers of the vehicles arrested for driving with Suspended Licenses.

To assist in preventing motor vehicle collisions, Operation "Road Worthy" projects will be conducted throughout the Region to remove unsafe vehicles from the Regional highways.

GALES GAS BAR Robbery in St. Catharines

On November 20 at approximately 11:42 pm, Police responded to a robbery at a local Gas Bar in the City of St. Catharines where a lone male entered the kiosk, approached the clerk brandishing a knife, and demanded cash. The suspect fled the scene on foot and was last seen running north on Francis St. Uniform Officers quickly set up a perimeter, with the Canine Unit and 1 District Detectives in attendance. As the result of a successful K9 track, Detectives from the Criminal Investigation Branch were lead to a residence on Tasker Street, where the accused male was discovered hiding in a closet. A thirty-two year old resident of St. Catharines is charged with Robbery and was held pending a bail hearing.

Chief Southall acknowledged the excellent police work and cooperation displayed by the NRPS Uniform members, K9 Unit and Detective branch in the investigation and resulting arrest that removed a violent offender from the streets.

PRESENTATIONS

DEPUTATIONS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

200.
2009 **NRPS 2010 Proposed Current/Operating Budget**

At the Public Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, October 29, 2009, the Board considered Service report 270/2009 dated October 26, 2009 requesting the Board approve the proposed combined 2010 current budget for the Police Service and the Board resulting in a total net expenditure budget of \$120,835,193, representing a total net expenditure budget increase of 4.55%.

After a general discussion, the Board suggested that the Service report and budget presentation be forwarded to the Region to assist Regional staff in determining preliminary budget numbers. The Board will continue the deliberations on the draft 2010 Police budget at the November 26 Board meeting.

The following Motion was duly passed:

'That the information be received;

And further, that the draft Niagara Regional Police Service 2010 Current/Operating Budget for the Police Service and the Board be forwarded to the Regional Council for its information.

Carried.'

Chair Iggulden provided an introduction to the 2010 current/operating budget. He emphasized that the Board is required to approve a realistic budget that fulfills the legislative responsibilities to allow for the provision of adequate and effective policing.

He highlighted the ongoing struggles during the last budget cycle when the Board approved a budget that was \$1.5 million greater than what the Region believed was required to provide adequate and effective policing. The operating budget issue was resolved under Minutes of Settlement with the Region agreeing to fund \$750,000 and the Board agreeing to fund the remaining \$750,000 from a capital reserve. He explained that this decision depleted the capital reserve fund which meant that the 2010 budget would commence with a shortfall of \$750,000.

Further, it was noted that the Service has absorbed the operating shortfall by reducing expenditures on a one-time basis in overtime, conferences and seminars, ammunition and a reduction in debt charges from the Region. However, these reductions in expenditures are not a sustainable savings and as a result the Board will be short \$728,000 at the start of next year's budget. Chair Iggulden stated that he did not support using reserves or non-sustainable expenditure reductions to reduce base budgets. He further stated that there has been budget distress since the Board used \$1 million from the OMERS reserve as a reduction tool years ago to reduce the operating budget increase and noted that it has been a struggle ever since to get the Region to make up that difference in the police base budget.

Chair Iggulden stated that the majority of the 2010 base budget increase is related to personnel costs. Specifically, the annualization of program hires that occurred part way through last year, movement from constable rank grid advancements and estimates for collective bargaining. The Service completed a major program review of the delivery of policing services approximately four years ago and continues to update this annually during the budget preparation.

Chair Iggulden questioned how the Board could possibly reduce staffing levels to reduce the overall budget especially when the workload analysis indicated that additional officers are needed. From a public safety perspective, the citizens do not want fewer police officers on the street or the response time for priority one calls to increase. Further, there is no benefit to residents and visitors by eliminating police specialty units and contracting them out to other police services.

With respect to Member Woodhouse's concerns about the additional costs related to the Mounted Unit, the Board was told these costs amount to \$40,000. He noted that Member Woodhouse spoke eloquently at the last meeting about the issue of affordability or tax levies and the passing of rising policing costs on to the taxpayers. However, the Board is bound by legislative responsibilities and collective agreements and these issues cannot be resolved by the Board in isolation but have to be addressed provincially.

The other items which result in an increase in this year's budget are the proposed program changes with a total of \$578,778 or .50% of our budget increase. The program changes are based on the successful pilot projects that the Board authorized spending on in prior year(s) budgets. The Chief has requested full time implementation of the projects and the Board has the option to approve the projects.

The Region has provided the Board with a guideline of a 3% budget increase and the Board has attempted to meet that guideline. The Board is challenged to meet that guideline considering there are no reserves to pull from and the fact that the Board has already absorbed \$728,000 in the base budget from reserves applied last year. Chair Iggulden expressed concern that further reductions in the police budget would not address collective agreement settlements, the risks associated with the pandemic illness and Service retirements.

The Board welcomed Mr. Gord Lockyer, Niagara Region Treasurer/Director FMP to the meeting.

Member Smeaton questioned the budget figures for IT improvements at the Region (i.e. equipment and facilities). Mr. Lockyer replied that there is a capital budget of \$4 million with \$2 million allocated for a new computer room. In referring to the annual cost of the Mounted Unit, Member Smeaton noted that \$40,000 for public relations unit which has done excellent job in north end of St. Catharines, compared to the \$2 million spent to upgrade the Region's IT equipment only indicates that something is wrong. To Member Smeaton's question regarding the increase in the EMS budget for 2010, Mr. Lockyer replied that Regional department targets were set at 1.7% however the additional cost for EMS is estimated at \$3 million, a 6.2% increase.

Member Bentley questioned the Regional rate for fuel to ensure consistency with the police fuel rate. Mr. Lockyer noted that The Regional rate is \$1.00 per litre and Chief Southall confirmed the police adhere to Regional fuel rates. Member Bentley further noted that the Provincial Offences Courts' revenues have increased again to \$900,000 to the Region's general revenue and asked if those funds could be used for police capital, i.e. vehicles, IT equipment.

In response to the pilot projects, Chief Southall reported that the Service had provided the Board with its requested update on the domestic violence and school resources officer pilot projects in September and July respectively. The pilot projects were funded through surplus funds and the results of each project support continuation. Chief Southall continued that the focus of the Service in 2009 has been on the workload analysis to remove significant weight from the frontline. The success of the pilot projects has been proactive with 52 arrests in the school setting, including referrals to the Extrajudicial Measures for Young Offenders system, and assisted school lockdowns, which has a significant impact on frontline resources. The domestic violence program has maximized frontline deployment in its ability to obtain statements, prosecutions and support to the victims of crime.

Member Bentley questioned the increased costs of Regional charge backs. CAO Fuentes explained there are two pieces to the charge backs. He noted that the General Government account was artificially capped at 1.37% and lacked proper valuations of costs. Currently, the Region has managed to estimate real costs. Due to aging infrastructure, parts are one-time costs which will be alleviated when police move to a new facility. Mr. Lockyer provided background on the interim facilities budget proposal advising that the Region will fund on a temporary annual one-time basis until the police facilities issue is resolved. Regional staff has prepared three different budgets, a base, a program change and a third entitled, budget interim facilities funding. Mr. Lockyer continued that the interim facilities plan arose in 2008 to fund \$0.7 million with a recommendation to repeat at \$1.3 million. It is now at \$2 million with a proposal for the Region to fund annually on a temporary basis until the facilities are ready.

Member Martin confirmed that it is one-time funding until the construction is complete, that may need to be applied over multiple years.

Member Shoalts suggested that the Service look at reimbursement from municipalities and organizers for police presence during special events.

Member Bentley questioned the use of overtime in the determination of the 2 District detective salaries. Ms. DiDonato-DeChellis, Finance Manager, explained that overtime is based on averages on a monthly basis with a variance due to sickness or vacancies as a way to gauge for analysis.

On the subject of the Mounted Unit, Member Woodhouse agreed that the cost is a minute amount in the budget, but symbolizes greater import to the taxpayer. He commented that many other police services are disbanding their mounted units and suggested that if the \$40,000 was applied to the school resource officer program, perhaps more or all schools in the Region could be part of the program.

Chair Iggulden noted Waterloo and Hamilton are adding mounted units and the Board would have to defer to Chief Southall to determine if there is an operational benefit to these suggestions. The Board must consider the cost of disbandment and reestablishment of any program changes along with operational impacts.

The Board moved In-Camera to discuss confidential human resources issues related to emergency services costs at 9:42 a.m., and reconvened the public budget deliberations at 10:23 a.m.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board approved the following motion:

Moved by: B. Smeaton
Seconded by: T. Shoalts

That, subject to approval by Regional Council, the 2010 Current Budget be approved in the amount of \$120,835,193 total net expenditure, consisting of:

- **Niagara Police Service Board - \$864,050, and**
- **Niagara Regional Police Service - \$119,971,143;**

And further, that the consolidated 2010 Current Budget represents a total base budget increase of 4.55%, which includes a base budget of 4.05% combined with program changes of 0.5%, and includes the proposed increase of \$1,975,347 in Regional funding transfers for the interim facilities expenditures.

Carried.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

214. Brock University Campus Security Services – Third Quarter 2009 Report on Special Constables

The Board considered Report 289/2009 dated October 13, 2009 from Steven Pillar, Vice President, Finance and Administration, Brock University, providing information relating to complaints, use of force, discipline and monthly statistics for calls for service associated to the Special Constables employed through the Brock University Campus Security Services for the third quarter of operations from July 1 through September 30, 2009.

215. Niagara Parks Police – Third Quarter 2009 Report on Special Constables

The Board considered Report 273/2009 dated October 8, 2009 submitted by Mr. John Kernahan, General Manager, Niagara Parks Commission, providing the Board with the Niagara Parks Police Service's third quarter 2009 report containing information relating to public complaints, use of force, discipline and arrests made by the Special Constables employed through the Niagara Parks Police, period July 1 to September 30, 2009.

216. YWCA Niagara Region

The Board considered a letter dated October 22, 2009 from Ms. Elizabeth Zimmerman, Executive Director, YWCA Niagara Inc., acknowledging the Board's Special Fund donation toward the YWCA *Week Without Violence* Committee to assist more than 200 young women during the 4th Annual 'Power of Being a Girl' Conference held in October 2009.

217. **Annual Report – Disposition of Old Issue Equipment**

The Board considered Service report 274/2009 dated November 10, 2009 providing the Board with the necessary and required information relative to the disposition of old issue equipment, both uniforms and weapons, as tracked and reported through the PBS Inventory Tracking software system by the Supply Unit for the period August 1, 2008 to July 31, 2009, pursuant to Board By-law 171-1997, s. 4.11.4. *[The report references By-law 171-97 which was recently rescinded, and therefore, no longer in existence. The correct policy reference should be By-law 286-2009 (Use of Force), subsections 4.9.4 and 4.9.5 which require a report on the disposition of old issue equipment.]*

218. **Annual Report - Community Policing Committee Fundraising**

The Board considered Service report 280/2009 dated November 2, 2009 providing the Board with compliance by the ten Community Policing Committees submitted for the year 2009 including the number and types of fundraising initiatives staged, the funding achieved, the purpose of the activity, pursuant to Board By-law 184-1999.

219. **Annual Report – Community-Based Crime Prevention**

The Board considered Service report 281/2009 dated November 2, 2009 providing the Board with a summary of the crime prevention and public safety programs available to the residents and visitors of Niagara in compliance with Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulation CP-002; participation by the Community Services Unit in the existing community programs, as well as programs developed and delivered to the elementary schools, community partnership initiatives; crime prevention and public safety presentations through 595 presentations to schools, organizations, service clubs and community events, pursuant to Board By-law 192-2000.

220. **Annual Report – Property Offences**

The Board considered Service report 279/2009 dated October 26, 2009 providing the Board with a summary of the written procedures concerning Property Offences and the Board's Licencing By-law regulating second-hand businesses in compliance with Provincial Adequacy Standard Regulation LE-030 *Property Offences (including Break and Enter)*; summarized listing of the successful NRPS Crime Prevention initiatives including proactive initiatives relative to property crimes in seasonal areas, aided by the Niagara Regional Auxiliary Police Service for residential security audits, pursuant to Board By-law 222-2000.

221. **Special Fund – September 1 - 30, 2009**

The Board considered Service report 272/2009 dated November 4, 2009 providing the Board with a summary of the transactions for the Niagara Regional Police Special Funds for the period September 1 through 30, 2009.

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

That the information be received.

Carried.

B. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

222. **NRPS Variance Report – to October 31, 2009**

The Board considered Service report 282/2009 dated November 13, 2009 providing the Board with a financial overview and year-end forecast for both the Service and the Board for the period ending October 31, 2009.

CAO Fuentes reported that in October and the beginning of November there was a dramatic increase in illness due to the H1N1 flu and Account 2406 Utilities received a correction in its shortfall due to a budgeting issue from the previous year. ICT Director Askoul added that the telephone contracts had been underestimated by \$250,000, as the contract was not properly managed. He also noted that the savings from the telecommunications strategy that was approved by the Board in July will be realized in 2010.

Moved by: T. Shoalts
Seconded by: B. Bentley

That the information be received.

Carried.

223. **Purchasing – Capital Project ZPO1001 - 2010 Replacement Vehicles**

The Board considered Service report 275/2009 dated November 3, 2009 requesting the Board approve the initiation of Capital Project ZPO1001 Vehicles to commence the 2010 Service vehicle replacement schedule to be comprised of 52 vehicles, seven of which are projected for deployment in the first quarter of 2010.

Moved by: D. Martin
Seconded by: T. Shoalts

That the Board approve:

1. **The initiation of Capital Project ZPO1001, 2010 Vehicles, with a capital expenditure budget of up to \$1,500,000 with funding from the Vehicles and Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund;**
2. **The purchase of vehicles required for deployment in the first quarter of 2010 through the Police Purchasing Cooperative Tender.**

Carried.

224. **Records Management - Phase One Report, Planning and Scoping – Capital Project PO0810 Enterprise Content Management System**

The Board considered Service report 278/2009 dated November 10, 2009 requesting the Board approve the initiation of the ECM (Enterprise Content Management) implementation and to engage Deloitte for consulting services to assist the Service.

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

That the Board approve:

1. **The initiation of the ECM (Enterprise Content Management) Implementation and engagement of Deloitte for consulting services in the amount of \$580,000 for implementation and training costs;**
2. **And further, that the Board authorize the Chief of Police to execute the required documentation.**

Carried.

225. **Purchasing – CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch)’ RMS (Records Management Systems) & Versaterm Configuration, Software Upgrades**

The Board considered Service report 277/2009 dated November 6, 2009 requesting the Board approve the hardware, software and configuration services purchases to replace the original 2004 system hardware, giving lead time to be located in the second data centre at 63 Church Street, St. Catharines.

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

That the Board approve:

1. **The hardware purchase required for upgrading CAD and RMS operational systems from HP Canada in the amount of \$73,214.31 plus applicable taxes, funds budgeted in Capital Account PO9802 Project S.P.I.R.I.T.;**
2. **The purchase of configuration services and software from Versaterm up to \$122,677.00 plus applicable taxes, funds budgeted in Capital Account PO9802 Project S.P.I.R.I.T.**

Carried.

226. **Sponsorship - 2010 Canada’s Motorcycle Ride for Dad – Permission to Use Logo and Funding Request**

The Board considered Service report 288/2009 dated October 16, 2009 requesting the Board approve the use of the Niagara Regional Police Service logo in literature promoting the *2010 Canada’s Motorcycle Ride for Dad*, Niagara Chapter Campaign, and further, that the Board approve a \$300 donation from the Special Fund for the Niagara Chapter’s 2010 Campaign, with net proceeds to the new Walker Cancer Hospital, St. Catharines.

Moved by: B. Smeaton
Seconded by: T. Shoalts

1. **That the Board approve the use of the Niagara Regional Police Service crest/logo in literature promoting the *2010 Canada’s Motorcycle Ride for Dad – Niagara Chapter Campaign*;**
2. **And further, that the Board approve a sponsorship level expenditure of \$300.00 from the Special Fund as a contribution to the *2010 Canada’s Motorcycle Ride for Dad Campaign*.**

Carried.

227. **Board – By-law No. 291-2009 – Management of Police Records – Repeal of By-law Nos. 172-1997, 185-1999 and 256-2003 – Retention and Destruction of Records**

The Board considered Service report 276/2009 dated November 10, 2009 requesting the Board approve the enactment of By-law No. 291-2009, Management of Police Records, and further, approve the repeal of Board By-law Nos. 172-1997, 185-1999 and 256-2003, Retention and Destruction of Records.

Moved by: D. Martin
Seconded by: T. Shoalts

That the Board repeal By-law Nos. 172-1997, 185-1999 and 256-2003, Retention and Destruction of Records;

And further, that the Board approve By-law No. 291-2009, Management of Police Records, as appended to this report.

Carried.

228. **Police Services Board – 2010 Proposed Meeting Schedule**

The Board considered a memorandum dated November 5, 2009 requesting the Board establish monthly Board and Committee meeting schedules for the year 2010.

Moved by: M. Woodhouse
Seconded by: D. Martin

That the Board approve the Schedule of Regular Meetings for the Niagara Police Services Board and Committee meetings for the year 2010 as presented.

Carried.

IN CAMERA REPORTS

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270.
2009

Project ZPO0907 – 2-Factor Authentication/Single Sign-On

At the Confidential Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, October 29, 2009, the Board considered Service report C.262/2009 dated October 13, 2009 requesting the Board approve the initiation of Project ZPO0907 – 2-Factor Authentication/Single Sign-On to meet compliance with RCMP security and authentication requirements for secure effective access to Service applications, and award the quotation from NCI (Net Cyclops) for the purchase of software, smart cards and proximity devices.

The following Motion was duly passed:

'That the Board approve:

The initiation of Project ZPO0907, 2-Factor Authentication/Single Sign-On, financing for the project to consist of Police Capital Levy approval of up to \$315,000 with an expenditure budget of up to \$342,634.18;

The award of the quotation from NCI (Net Cyclops) in the amount of \$115,625.73 plus applicable taxes for the purchase of software, smart cards and proximity devices;

And further, that the Board's decision be reported on the Public Agenda. Carried.'

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

That the information be received.

Carried.

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276.
2009

Special Investigations Unit Report #SIU-06-09 – In-Custody Injury – May 22, 2009

At the Confidential Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, October 29, 2009, the Board considered Service report C.239/2009 dated August 11, 2009 providing the Board with the decision of the SIU Director following the SIU investigation which determined that the cause of death was sudden cardiac arrest due to severe coronary disease and no criminal liability would be assessed.

The following Motion was duly passed:

**'That the information be received;
And further, that the Board make the report available to the public. Carried.'**

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

That the information be received.

Carried.

C.
277.
2009

Special Investigations Unit Report – NRPS File #SIU 10-09 – June 27, 2009

At the Confidential Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, October 29, 2009, the Board considered Service report C.240/2009 dated September 24, 2009 providing the Board with the decision of the SIU Director following the SIU investigation into the arrest and use of force, stating that no further action is contemplated since no criminal offence was committed in relation to the arrest of the complainant.

The following Motion was duly passed:

**'That the information be received;
And further, that the Board make the report available to the public. Carried.'**

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

That the information be received.

Carried.

C.
278. **Special Investigations Unit Report – NRPS File #SIU 02-09 – March 3, 2009**
2009

At the Confidential Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, October 29, 2009, the Board considered Service report C.241/2009 dated September 16, 2009 providing the Board with the decision of the SIU Director following the SIU investigation into an arrest and subsequent injury to the complainant, concluding that the involved officers committed no criminal wrongdoing.

The following Motion was duly passed:

**‘That the information be received;
And further, that the Board make the report available to the public. Carried.’**

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

That the information be received.

Carried.

C.
279. **Special Investigations Unit Report – NRPS File #SIU-07-09 – April 18, 2009**
2009

At the Confidential Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, October 29, 2009, the Board considered Service report C.246/2009 dated October 6, 2009 providing the Board with the decision of the SIU Director following the SIU investigation into an arrested driver who required hospitalization due to pneumonia, concluding that no further action would be contemplated since no criminal offence was committed by the officer involved.

The following Motion was duly passed:

**‘That the information be received;
And further, that the Board make the report available to the public. Carried.’**

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

That the information be received.

Carried.

C.
280. **Special Investigations Unit – NRPS File #SIU-11-08 – Custody Death - September 21, 2008**
2009

At the Confidential Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, October 29, 2009, the Board considered Service report C.247/2009 dated September 22, 2009 providing the Board with the decision of the SIU Director following the SIU investigation which concluded that there are no reasonable grounds to conclude that the subject officer committed a criminal offence in relation to the death of the arrested youth.

The Service revised its recommendation and asked that the Board release the report publicly.

The following Motion was duly passed:

**`That the information be received;
And further, that the Board make the report available to the public. Carried.'**

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

That the information be received.

Carried.

C.
284. **Police Services Board - Draft Current Budget – 2010**
2009

At the Confidential Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board held on Thursday, October 29, 2009, the Board considered a memorandum dated October 6, 2009 from the Board's Executive Director, providing additional information respecting the Board's 2010 draft operating budget and the allocation of legal and consulting costs arising from the NRPS Long-Term Accommodation Plan. Appendices include the Board's draft current budget for 2010 (Appendix A) and a report from the Board's Solicitor outlining major legal issues that will likely be dealt with in 2010 (Appendix B). (The Board's Finance Committee recommended approval of Board's 2010 budget for the operation of the Police Services Board at its October 15, 2009 meeting.)

The following Motion was duly passed:

**'That the Board approve the 2010 budget for the operation of the Police Services Board;
And further, that the item be reported on the November Public Agenda. Carried.'**

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

That the information be received.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Chairperson

Executive Director