

Riverdale Municipality Police Board
Special Meeting
March 19th, 2024
Riverdale Municipality Boardroom

Present: Chair – Ian Dyer, Board Members - Matt Klassen, Virginia Mathison, Everett Smith, Chief Lon Schwarz

Guests: Riverdale CAO Marci Quane, Cornwallis Chief Darwin Drader, Constable Travis Lindsay

Chair Dyer called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

Matt Klassen moved to accept the agenda, seconded by Virginia Mathison. **Carried**

Minutes of Feb 5th, 2024 meeting were presented. Chair Dyer moved to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Matt Klassen. **Carried**

Citizen Presentation:

Chief of Police Report:

-Fleet: Unit 503 was involved in a deer impact. Damage to be assessed at Murray's Chevrolet on March 20th. Vendor (Autographics) was secured to apply decals at approximate cost of 600\$.

-Staffing: The force consists of Chief Lon Schwarz (imminent departure), Constable Josh Pompana (imminent departure), and Constable Travis Lindsay. Discussions were held at a short notice meeting on March 18th with two members of Blue Hills RCMP. The intention was to determine the steps necessary by all parties involved in the RCMP providing supplementary coverage to acknowledge the imminent staffing shortage. A letter was sent to Manitoba Justice to inform them of the situation. We were informed that our current situation will not affect the UPG for 2024.

Motion to advance Constable Travis Lindsay to Constable Level 2nd Class in acknowledgement of added responsibilities and work load due to staffing shortage. Moved by Chair Dyer, seconded by Virginia Mathison. **Carried**

-Recruitment of Police Chief: MACP (Manitoba Association of Chiefs of Police) posting will be extended. Indeed is posted indefinitely. Linkd In was discussed as a possibility. Cornwallis Chief Darwin Drader will be acting as Interim Chief after Lon's departure.

-Community Services Officer: There was continued discussion on the prospect of a CSO and the various different roles they are capable of assuming. Bylaw calls for animal control are numerous. Processing of the bylaws is an issue. Riverdale does not have a fine book with which to write a ticket out of. In cases of fine/ticket disputes, an arbitrator is required. Police force members, including CSO, can be tasked with the enforcement if all the other pieces are in place.

-Other: As April 1st was the official renewal date for the MPI program, Chief Schwarz was to ensure enrollment. Brief discussions were had surrounding integration/regionalization and MILET (Manitoba Integrated Law Enforcement Team). The desire to continue the Youth Hub and Breakfast Club in light of recent staffing shortages were discussed.

Noting no further matters for discussion by Chair Dyer, call for adjournment was requested at 4:05PM. Motion was made by Ian Dyer, seconded by Matt Klassen. **Carried**

Originals signed and dated by:

Everett Smith, secretary

Date

Ian Dyer, Chair

Date