Minutes ELGIN GROUP POLICE SERVICES BOARD February 26, 2024

The Elgin Group Police Services Board met in the Dutton Dunwich Boardroom at the Elgin County Administration Building, 450 Sunset Drive, St. Thomas, with the following in attendance:

Dominique Giguère, Board Member Ida McCallum, Board Member (virtual) Andrew Sloan, Board Member Trudy Kanellis, Provincial Member David Jenkins, Provincial Member Inspector Jennifer Neamtz, Detachment Commander (virtual) Carolyn Krahn, Secretary Administrator

Call to Order:

The Secretary Administrator called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair:

A. Sloan nominated D. Jenkins for the position of Chair, and T. Kanellis seconded the nomination. No further nominations were received for this position, and D. Jenkins accepted the nomination.

Moved by: Dominique Giguère Seconded by: Ida McCallum

RESOLVED THAT nominations for the position of Chair be closed; and THAT D. Jenkins be appointed as Chair of the Elgin Group Police Services Board.

- Motion Carried.

D. Jenkins nominated T. Kanellis for the position of Vice-Chair, and A. Sloan seconded the nomination. No further nominations were received for this position, and T. Kanellis accepted the nomination.

Moved by: Dominique Giguère Seconded by: Andrew Sloan

RESOLVED THAT nominations for the position of Vice-Chair be closed; and THAT Trudy Kanellis be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Elgin Group Police Services Board.

- Motion Carried.

Adoption of Minutes:

Moved by: Dominique Giguère Seconded by: Andrew Sloan

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting held on November 15, 2023 be adopted.

- Motion Carried.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

None.

Reports:

1) <u>Secretary-Administrator – Transfer Payment Agreement for Bail Compliance and</u> <u>Warrant Apprehension (BWCA) Program</u>

The Secretary Administrator provided an update on the status of the OPP's application to the Bail Compliance and Warrant Apprehension (BWCA) Program. The Ministry of the Solicitor General has informed the Elgin Group Police Services Board that it will provide up to \$300,000 to implement a BWCA program in Elgin County. A transfer payment agreement is required.

Moved by: Dominique Giguère Seconded by: Andrew Sloan

RESOLVED THAT the Chair be authorized and directed to enter into the Transfer Payment Agreement for the implementation of the Elgin County OPP Bail Compliance and Warrant Apprehension project; and

THAT the County Treasurer be authorized to act as the financial contact for the grant.

- Motion Carried.

Correspondence:

None.

Other Items:

None.

New Business:

A. Sloan requested an update on the decision by the Thames Valley District School Board on the School Resource Officer program and asked if the Board could provide any further support in returning the program to local schools. Inspector Neamtz provided an update on the decision and said that it is a missed opportunity to build relationships between police officers and students. Elgin County OPP are working with Aylmer Police Services and St. Thomas Police Services to find alternative ways to engage with children and youth.

Closed Session Items:

None.

Next Meeting:

The Elgin Group Police Services Board will meet again on Wednesday, March 13 @ 1 p.m.

Adjournment:

Moved by: Trudy Kanellis Seconded by: Dominique Giguère

RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn 2:24 p.m.

- Motion Carried.

Carolyn Krahn, Secretary/Administrator.

David Jenkins Chair.