



## Barrie Police Services Board Meeting

**OPEN**

**Thursday, November 16, 2023**

**9:00 a.m.**

Community Room

YouTube Live

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Item	Topic	Lead	Time
1.	Call to Order	Chair	1 Min
2.	Land Acknowledgement		
<b>Meeting Opening:</b>			
3.	Motion to Approve the Agenda	Chair	2 Min
<i>Motion to approve the agenda for the November 16, 2023, open board meeting</i>			
4.	Declaration of Conflict of Interest with Respect to the Agenda		
5.	Approval of Minutes		
<i>Motion to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2023, open meeting</i>			
<b>Presentation</b>			
6.	2024 Barrie Police Service Budget	Chief	45 Min
<b>Consent Agenda:</b>			
7.	Staff Acknowledgements	Chair	5 Min
8.	Public Complaints		
<i>Motion to receive the consent agenda items</i>			
<b>Updates:</b>			
9.	Chief's Update	Chief	15 Min
<b>Meeting Closing:</b>			
10.	Next Board Meeting – Thursday, December 14, 2023	Chair	2 Min
11.	Adjournment		
<i>Motion to adjourn the November 16, 2023, open board meeting</i>			



## **BARRIE POLICE SERVICES BOARD MEETING**

### **OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

**Thursday, October 19, 2023  
Community Room and YOUTUBE LIVE**

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#### **PRESENT:**

Mr. Greg Ferguson, Chair  
Deputy Mayor Robert Thomson, Vice Chair  
Mr. Arif Khan  
Ms. Lynn Strachan  
Chief Rich Johnston  
Deputy Chief R. Wyllie Allan  
Sergeant Stephanie McKibbon  
Ms. Sarah Young, Board Administrator

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*Inspector Burke, Ms. Dana Stott (Strategic Planner), and Mr. Joshua Dunsworth (Contract Strategic Planner) attended the meeting. Strategic Planner*

#### **MEETING OPENING**

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:54 a.m.
2. Chair Ferguson acknowledged the land.
3. Approval of Agenda

#### **MOTION #2023-087**

**On motion of Lynn Strachan, seconded by Arif Khan, the October 19, 2023 open agenda was approved. CARRIED**

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest with Respect to the Agenda

None were declared.

5. Approval of Minutes

#### **MOTION #2023-088**

**On motion of Arif Khan, seconded by Lynn Strachan, the minutes from the September 21, 2023, open meeting were approved. CARRIED**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

6. Staff Acknowledgements
7. Public Complaints

8. Towing Contract

**MOTION #2023-089**

On motion of Lynn Strachan, seconded by Arif Khan, the consent agenda items were received. **CARRIED**

**FOR APPROVAL**

9. Re- Appointment of Special Constable Member

**MOTION #2023-090**

On motion of Arif Khan, seconded by Deputy Mayor Thomson, the re- appointment of Special Constable Member Danielle Dykstra-Cochrane was approved. **CARRIED**

**FOR DISCUSSION**

10. 2023-2025 Strategic Plan Year to Date Review

Lynn Strachan thanked the Strategic Planning team for the update. She questioned why a lot of items on the plan in relation to social media are labelled red. She was reminded that the strategic plan is a live working document that continues to evolve. The red items have been identified and proposed but have not been started yet.

**UPDATES**

11. Chief's Update

Chief Johnston provided a presentation which included the following updates;

- Honoring Fallen Heroes
  - National Police Officers Memorial Run
  - Memorial Bench
- Community Connections
  - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- Member Highlight
  - Nick Cunningham – attending the Special Olympics in Calgary.
- Community Events
  - AMYA Run for Barrie
  - Timbits Hockey Jamboree
  - Public Library and OSPCA
- Community Connections
  - Seniors Wish visit at the Police Station
- Citizens on Patrol Community Volunteerism
- Highlighted Investigations
  - Explosion on Anne St.
  - Suspicious incident leading to drug seizure.
  - ICE warrant leads to arrest

**MEETING CLOSING**

12. Next Regular Board Meeting -Thursday, November 16, 2023

13. Adjournment

**MOTION #2023-091**

**On motion of Arif Khan, the Barrie Police Services open board meeting was adjourned at 10.11 a.m. CARRIED**

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**Chair**

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**Board Administrator**



**BARRIE POLICE SERVICES BOARD REPORT  
NOVEMBER 2023  
OPEN**

**TO:** Barrie Police Services Board

**FROM :** Chief Rich Johnston

**DATE:** November 3, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Staff Acknowledgements

**Background**

Staff Acknowledgements received for the month of October.

<b>EMPLOYEE</b>	<b>FROM WHOM</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
Detective Constable Derek Kelk	South Simcoe Police Service	DC Kelk was thanked by South Simcoe Police Service for assisting with investigations and providing advice. "As always, he has been an invaluable resource for us, and Barrie Police should be proud of his professionalism and expert level skill set."
Constable Mellish Constable Campbell	Barrie Resident	Constable Mellish and Campbell were acknowledged for the time and understanding they gave a Barrie resident in dealing with an incident. "They made me feel heard and respected and took my concerns seriously."
Constable Whitehead	Barrie Resident	An email was received thanking Constable Whitehead for assisting a Barrie resident after a fall. "His demeanor and professional attitude speaks highly of this members dedication to his craft."

**Recommendation**

The Board receive this report for information.

**Prepared by:**  
Sarah Young (9049)  
Executive Assistant



BARRIE POLICE SERVICES BOARD REPORT  
OCTOBER 2023  
OPEN

**TO:** Barrie Police Services Board

**FROM :** Inspector Robert Burke

**DATE:** November 3, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Professional Standards Monthly Board Report

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The following is the Open Professional Standards Report covering October, 2023 which includes Public Complaints.

**Action Required**

Please review for your information.

**Financial Impact**

No immediate impact.

## 1. Public Complaint Summary:

Complaint Number:	PC 2023-03
Date Filed to OIPRD:	January 3, 2023
Received by PSB:	January 20, 2023
Conduct Complaint:	Discreditable Conduct Neglect of Duty
Allegation Date:	January 2, 2023
Investigation Update:	The officer is currently off on leave, the OIPRD advised that they will suspend the investigation pending the officers return to work.
Initial Complaint Summary:	The Complainant alleges that the officer left a disparaging comment on her webpage fundraiser. She further advised that on a separate occasion, while off duty, the officer saw the Complainant's daughter at a social setting and said very negative and hurtful things about her and her husband (who is also a member of the Barrie Police Service).
Disposition:	Active
Date Closed:	N/A
Complaint Timeline:	Nine months, 11 days - Open investigation (On hold)

Complaint Number:	PC 2023-42
Date Filed to OIPRD:	June 26, 2023
Received by PSB:	July 20, 2023
Conduct Complaint:	Discreditable Conduct
Allegation Date:	June 25, 2023
Investigation Update:	Resolved - Via Informal Resolution on August 29, 2023. The Investigator was able to explain the officers' actions and the role of the police, which the Complainant understood and appreciated. The officers were spoken to regarding providing a more detailed explanation in the future. At the outcome both parties were satisfied and agreed to the resolution.
Initial Complaint Summary:	The Complainant, who is a taxi driver, contacted police as he had a fare who would not pay/leave his taxi. The officers arrived on scene and removed the party, who did not pay the fare. The Complainant felt the officers misled him that the fare would be paid.
Disposition:	Concluded - File closed by the OIPRD
Date Closed:	October 11, 2023
Complaint Timeline:	Two months, 21 days. Professional Standards investigation completed in one month, nine days.



Complaint Number:	PC 2023-45
Date Filed to OIPRD:	July 17, 2023
Received by PSB:	August 8, 2023
Conduct Complaint:	Excessive Use of Force Discreditable Conduct
Allegation Date:	July 8, 2023
Investigation Update:	Unsubstantiated - Professional Standards investigation completed on September 8, 2023.
Initial Complaint Summary:	The Complainant was pulled over as he had been involved in a domestic dispute. He states that the officer would not listen to him, used excessive force and falsely arrested him.
Disposition:	Concluded - File closed by the OIPRD
Date Closed:	October 23, 2023
Complaint Timeline:	Two months, 23 days. Professional Standards investigation completed in One month.

Complaint Number:	PC 2023-48
Date Filed to OIPRD:	July 31, 2023
Received by PSB:	August 30, 2023
Service Complaint:	Lack of Service
Allegation Date:	June 12, 2023, - July 31, 2023
Investigation Update:	Unsubstantiated - Professional Standards investigation completed on October 16, 2023. The report has been forwarded to the OIPRD as well as the Barrie Police Services Board.
Initial Complaint Summary:	The Complainant's family filed a missing person report for her cousin. She feels the police did not believe she was missing, that she was a runaway. She alleges that they did not start the investigation early enough and did not follow the proper missing person protocol.
Disposition:	Conclusion pending OIPRD disposition
Date Closed:	N/A
Complaint Timeline:	Two months, 1 day. Professional Standards investigation completed in one month, 17 days.

Complaint Number:	PC 2023-50
Date Filed to OIPRD:	August 9, 2023
Received by PSB:	September 11, 2023
Conduct Complaint:	Deceit Neglect of Duty Discreditable Conduct
Allegation Date:	August 6, 2023
Investigation Update:	Unsubstantiated - Professional Standards investigation completed on September 29, 2023.
Initial Complaint Summary:	The Complainant's girlfriend was struck by a vehicle. He advises that the officers failed to lay the proper charges and the accident report was filled out incorrectly. Further, he alleges the officers influenced his girlfriend to not attend the hospital to have her injuries looked at and submits that they were biased as he believes the driver of the vehicle was known to them.
Disposition:	Conclusion pending OIPRD disposition
Date Closed:	N/A
Complaint Timeline:	One month, 20 days. Professional Standards investigation completed in 18 days.

Complaint Number:	PC 2023-51
Date Filed to OIPRD:	August 27, 2023
Received by PSB:	September 18, 2023
Service Complaint:	Lack of Service
Allegation Date:	August 6, 2023
Investigation Update:	Resolved - Via Withdrawal on October 10, 2023. The investigator spoke with the Complainant and explained why officers were not able to attend as quickly as he would have liked and why they were not able to assist as he had wanted. The Complainant was satisfied with the investigators explanation and wished to withdraw the complaint.
Initial Complaint Summary:	The Complainant states that he parked at a convenience store at a location on Lakeshore Drive. The owner attended outside and advised him that there was a \$40 fee to continue to park there. The Complainant did not pay the fee and when he returned to his vehicle it had been towed. The Complainant is upset that when he called police, he was told there was nothing they could do.
Disposition:	Conclusion pending OIPRD disposition
Date Closed:	N/A
Complaint Timeline:	One month, 13 days. Professional Standards investigation completed in 22 days.

Complaint Number:	PC 2023-53
Date Filed to OIPRD:	September 15, 2023
Received by PSB:	October 5, 2023
Conduct Complaint:	Neglect of Duty
Allegation Date:	February 27, 2023
Investigation Update:	Investigative Report being authored.
Initial Complaint Summary:	The Complainant advises that while at the hospital he was assaulted by security. He states that when the police arrived they did not conduct a proper investigation and did not lay charges against the security officers.
Disposition:	Active
Date Closed:	N/A
Complaint Timeline:	26 days - Open Investigation