

Huron OPP Detachment Board

Minutes

Monday, March 24, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

Libro Community Hall

239 Bill Fleming Drive, Clinton, ON, N0M 1L0

Members Present: Marg Anderson, Vice Chair - Elected Official - Central Huron
Anita van Hittersum, Member - Elected Official - North Huron
Greg Lamport, Member - Elected Official - Bluewater
Jim Dietrich, Chair - Elected Official - South Huron
Trevor Bazinet, Member - Elected Official - Goderich
John Steffler, Member - Elected Official - Huron East
Dave Frayne, Member - Provincial Appointee
Jasmine Clark, Member - Community Representative
Jennette Walker, Member - Community Representative
Jared Petteplace, Member - Provincial Appointee

Staff Present: Stacey Jeffery, Administrator/Recording Secretary
A/Insp Ryan Olmstead, Huron OPP

1. Call to Order

Chair Dietrich called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 12-2025

Moved: JSteffler

Seconded: JPetteplace

That Huron OPP Detachment Board approves the Agenda, as presented.

Disposition: Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests and the General Nature thereof

None noted.

4. Approval of Past Minutes

Motion: 13-2025

Moved: DFrayne

Seconded: AvanHittersum

That Huron OPP Detachment Board adopts the minutes of January 27, 2025, as printed and circulated.

Disposition: Carried

5. Presentations/Delegations

5.1 Introductions to Hank Zehr, Police Service Advisor, Ontario Ministry of the Solicitor General

Hank Zehr sent his regrets to the Chair prior to the meeting and will plan to attend another meeting in the future.

6. Business from Previous Meetings

None noted.

7. Report

7.1 Inspector's Report

Huron OPP A/Insp R. Olmstead presented Inspector's Report covering a reporting period of January 1 to February 28, 2025. It was noted that traffic enforcement was reduced due to weather related road closures. A correction for fatal injury statistics from no change to 200% change in 2025 (0 incidents in 2024 increased to 2 incidents in 2025) was noted.

Crime Statistics

Huron OPP A/Insp R. Olmstead presented crime statistics for January and February 2025.

It was noted that:

- Violent crimes increased (2 occurrences resulting in the deprivation of freedom).
- Property crime overall was reduced.
- Drug crimes increased in (5 occurrences of Trafficking), indicates street crime unit is successfully executing search warrants.
- One fatal overdose occurred in Huron County.
- No youth criminal charges during this period.
- Two youth charges under Provincial Offenses Act.

Clearance Rates

Huron OPP A/Insp R. Olmstead presented the clearance rates for January and February 2025. It was noted that clearance rates are slightly increased, however, trends cannot be determined at this time given a two-month reporting period.

Significant Weather Events across Huron County

Members discussed the significant weather event and road closure procedures. Road closure information was discussed in detail including inaccurate road closure updates and no sole source for information to direct residents to. Huron OPP will be attending a debrief event with Ministry of Transportation and local road managers to discuss the events and future considerations.

Motion: 14-2025

Moved: TBazinet

Seconded: AvanHittersum

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board receives the Inspector's Report, as presented.

Disposition: Carried

Motion: 15-2025

Moved: TBazinet

Seconded: MAnderson

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board authorize the Chair to prepare correspondence to be brought forth to the significant weather event debrief discussion related to road closure information and highlighting the need for accurate, sole source road closure information for residents of Huron County; and

That the correspondence be circulated to the Minister of Transportation; and

That the correspondence be circulated to the OAPSB Zones.

Disposition: Carried

7.2 Financial Report

Motion: 16-2025

Moved: JClark

Seconded: GLamport

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board receives the Financial Report titled Board Financial Actuals – January 1 to February 28, 2025, as presented.

Disposition: Carried

8. New Business

8.1 OAPSB 2025 Spring Conference & Annual General Meeting

Motion: 17-2025

Moved: GLamport

Seconded: TBazinet

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board approve the following members to attend the OAPSB 2025 Spring Conference:

- **Chair Dietrich;**
- **Member Anderson;**
- **Member Steffler;**
- **Member Walker;**
- **Member Petteplace;**
- **Member Frayne;**
- **Member Clark; and**
- **Member Lamport.**

Disposition: Carried

8.2 Huron OPP Detachment Board & Policing Activities - 2024 Annual Report

Motion: 18-2025

Moved: JPetteplace

Seconded: MAnderson

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board approves the Huron OPP Detachment Board & Policing Activities - 2024 Annual Report, as presented; and

That the Annual Report be circulated by the Administrator to all lower-tier municipalities in Huron County.

Disposition: Carried

9. Correspondence

9.1 OAPSB Zone 5 Approved Minutes - December 10, 2024

Motion: 19-2025

Moved: JSteffler

Seconded: MAnderson

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board receives correspondence items, as included under Correspondence.

Disposition: Carried

10. Closed Session

11. Next Meeting

12. Adjournment

Motion: 20-2025

Moved: GLamport

Seconded: DFrayne

That Huron OPP Detachment Board hereby adjourns at 9:59 a.m., to meet again on June 23, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., or at the Call of the Chair.

Disposition: Carried

Jim Dietrich, Chair

Stacey Jeffery, Administrator/ Recording Secretary