

MINUTES
JOINT MEETING OF THE DUFFERIN COUNTY SECTION 10
POLICE SERVICES BOARDS (“Joint Meeting”)

June 16, 2023 - 9:00AM

Present:	Jeff Sedgwick – Mulmur	Walter Kolodziechuk – Amaranth
	Cheryl Russel – Mulmur	Holly Boardman - Amaranth
	Andrew Cunningham – Mulmur	Nicole Martin - Amaranth
	Roseann Knechtel – Mulmur	Gail Little – Amaranth
	Jeff Deason – Shelburne	Andrew Stirk - Amaranth
	Todd Taylor - Orangeville	Meghan Townsend – Grand Valley
	Ken Krakar - Orangeville	Mike Walker – Mono
	Lisa Post – Orangeville	Wayne Evans – Mono
	Ian McSweeney – Orangeville	John Creelman – Mono
	Darren White – Melancthon	Duane Sprague – Solicitor General
	Al Blundell – Melancthon	A/Ins Dean Korn – OPP
	Sarah Culshaw – Melancthon	A/S/Sgt Dominic Wray - OPP

1. Call to Order

Jeff Sedgwick, Chair of the Mulmur Police Services Board called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Cheryl Russel and Seconded by Gail Little

THAT the agenda for the June 16, 2023 Joint Meeting be approved.

CARRIED.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Andrew Cunningham and Seconded by Walter Kolodziechuk

THAT the minutes of the January 20, 2023 Joint Meeting be approved.

CARRIED.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - NONE

5. Duane Sprague, Police Services Advisory

Duane Sprague, provided an update on the Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA), Ministry staff have contacted proposal leads (municipalities) to confirm that the proposals have been received. Sprague advised members that the target window for implementation has changed to late 2023/early 2024, but more information will follow. There are a number of regulations that need to be developed prior to the CSPA being proclaimed. There will be a window of time between proclamation date and implementation date to allow boards time to adjust.

Members expressed concern with the speed of implementation, the ability to remain compliant with new legislation and the number of meeting police service boards are required to have each year.

Sprague noted board training is anticipated for the fall and suggested inviting Devendra Sukhdeo, Senior Policy Advisor, to the next joint meeting.

6. Automatic Speed Enforcement Cameras Update

John Creelman led the discussion noting the current restrictions placed on municipalities. Creelman advised that the Town of Mono will be making a delegation at AMO to lobby the province to change the regulations and remove the red tape. Members noted the correlation with the current regulations and issues of vehicles failing to stop for school buses.

7. Highway 10 Improvements / Monitoring

Todd Taylor led the discussion on the concerns and lobbying for studies to Highway 10 through Caledon and Dufferin County. Members were advised that the study has been approved in Caledon, but it is unknown whether Dufferin County will be included. Orangeville will be making a delegation at AMO on Highway 10 and well as Highway 9 for the Rolling Hills school crossing areas.

Members discussed the restrictions of road studies with focus on road design, instead of traffic volume, number/type of accidents, and speed. Each section of Highway 10 experiences different problems. Details of each section should be included within the study. Neighbouring municipalities supported the studies as issues on Highway 10 as vehicle are using local roads to bypass and avoid Highway 10.

OPP confirmed Highway 10 remains a large focus of the traffic unit and encouraged residents to obtain licence plates if they can or call 911 in egregious situations.

8. School Board Recourse Officer Programs

Ian McSweeney led the discussion and encouraged local police service boards to reach out to the school boards and re-open the conversations surrounding school board resource officers to ensure the current community views are still being represented.

9. 2023-2025 Dufferin OPP Action Plan

Jeff Sedgwick led the discussion. Acting S/Sgt Dominic Wray advised members that the OPP submitted a draft action plan on May 29, 2023 and were only provided four weeks turnaround time for completion. Wray noted that the draft plan incorporated the OPP strategic plan (past and proposed), the Dufferin County Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan, as well as input from Superintendent Terry Ward based on local police service board meetings. Wray advised that the action plan has not been finalized yet and will be presented to the local boards once approved.

Members noted the current regulations that require public consultation municipal council involvement.

10. Detachment Update

A/Insp Dean Korn introduced himself and provided an update on behalf of the Dufferin County OPP. Korn noted four new recruits who have now been placed with coach officers, an experienced officer is currently in training stream coming from Peel Region and will be starting at the end of the month. A part-time officer will also be returning, completing foot patrols in all areas and increasing visible presence. Dufferin is looking to enhance the community services unit and recruiting another officer for this unit. OPP continue to maintain visibility on the roads.

11. Municipal Board Reports

Amaranth – Currently looking into the black cat program to address speeding in hamlets, bike rodeo being development to promote bike safety at Amaranth soccer nights, supportive of the school bus stop arm motions.

Grand Valley – Speeding and stop signs.

Melancthon – Use of black cat machines, speeding, noted highway 10 improvements with cars slowing down as they enter Dufferin, cottage country traffic, illegal trucking yards, satisfied with black cat deployment in Melancthon.

Mono – Use of black cat machines, portable speed bumps have been deployed in various areas, action plan to crush crime and traffic offences, working with OPP to establish neighbourhood watch in various neighbourhoods, two (2) life saver devices to be administered by Caledon Meals on Wheels.

Orangeville – Use of black cat machines and flashing speed signs, speed, traffic, and noise from vehicles (modified mufflers etc.) will share policies with the other boards, grant writing in conjunction with the OPP, issues on boundaries where rural meets urban.

Shelburne – Cottage country traffic, ride programs are being effective, bus safety and speeding.

Mumur – Illegal dumping of garbage, speeding, request for speed bumps in some hamlets, noise from vehicles.

12. POA

Members discussed bail reform, Orangeville has submitted a letter encouraging bail reform review. John Creelman offered to write a letter on behalf of the collective boards.

Duane Sprague will provide contact information for an invitation to the next meeting.

13. Other Business and Items for Future Joint Meetings

14. Confirming Motion

Moved by Wayne Evans and Seconded by Alan Blundell

THAT all actions of the Joint Meeting, with respect to every matter addressed and/or approved on June 16, 2023 are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed;

AND THAT each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the members of the Joint Meeting on June 16, 2023 are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed.

CARRIED.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mike Walker and Seconded by Andrew Stirk

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10:45 am to meet again on November 17, 2023 at 9:00 am;

AND THAT the next Joint meeting of the Dufferin County Section 10 Police Services Boards be hosted by the Township of Melancthon.

CARRIED.