Internal Committee Report

Amherst Board of Police Commissioners

April 2023

The Amherst Board of Police Commissioners met on Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. in Town Hall Council Chambers.

Councillor Chambers was sworn in as a Commissioner at the beginning of at the meeting.

The Board approved a motion that the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners support and approve the request for additional positions for staffing in the Major Crime Unit and in Crime Prevention by adding 1 additional police position to the Amherst Police Department and permanently adding the civilian Crime Prevention position (Option 4) which will cost approximately \$203,000 annually. This will result in a 3-person team in the Major Crime Unit and a full-time permanent Civilian Crime Prevention Coordinator.

Discussion ensued around the facilitation of a new APD Strategic Plan. The Board agreed this should be a fairly straight-forward process that someone in-house could facilitate. Chief Pike will look into options for a facilitator, as well as community engagement opportunities, and report back at the next meeting.

Before adjourning the meeting, the Board recognized a moment of silence for fallen officers Const. Travis Jordan, Const. Brett Ryan and Sgt. Maureen Breau all recently killed in the line of duty.

The Chair also thanked Commissioner Lloyd Bruce for his time on the Board, which expired March 31, 2023.

The Board is scheduled to meet again tomorrow, Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. in Town Hall Council Chambers.