



ATTENDING

- Councillor Oonagh Proudfoot, Chair
- Mayor Jeff Cantwell
- Councillor Wendy Elliott
- Laura Fisher
- Kathy Bird
- Michael Jeffrey
- Sgt. Andrew Buckle
- Acting Chief Administrative Officer Mike MacLean

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:17 a.m. via zoom meeting.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE RCMP ADVISORY BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2019 BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED

3. RCMP REPORT:

a. Quarterly Update

2019 – 2020 Annual Performance Plan

1 - Contribute to Safe Roads by:

Impaired Driving charges – 5 Charges

Summary Offense Tickets (Motor Vehicle Act) – 127 Charges

Check stops – 14

2 – Safety and security of all Nova Scotia’s

Human Trafficking Presentations – Have been on pause since the implementation of the COVID 19 protocols. In addition to the schools closing, there has been reduced ability to conduct presentations

Domestic Violence Strategy – County Domestic Violence Position (unfunded) continues to work victims of domestic violence with safety planning, providing supports.



Other Crime Reduction Strategies – School Support Resource Officer (Wolfville School) Kings County Senior Safety works from Wolfville office, CSO (Community Service Order) Checks. Since schools have been closed, our SSRO's have been tasked to assist with general duty tasks etc.

3. Wolfville, Safety and Peaceful Community

Liquor Act - 6 Charges

Police Presence – Members continue to conduct daily foot patrols in the community. To date there has been **60 documented foot patrols** within Wolfville.

*Approx. 30-40 hours walking on the streets. This was prior to the COVID19 protocols that were implemented. Foot patrols have since been initiated again with the reopening of businesses.

Calls for Service

Jan 1st – June 10th, 2020

Kings District (Inclusive of Wolfville) responded to 5157 calls for service.

Wolfville members responded to 679 calls for service

5 Year Review

2014

Assaults – 51 Complaints – 13 Charges

Sexual Assault – 5 Complaints – 0 Charges

Mischief (prevent enjoyment of property) – 114 Complaints – 4 Charges

Liquor Act – 0 Charges

Impaired Driving – 1 Charge

Roadside Suspensions – No Data

2015

Assaults – 52 Complaints - 17 Charges

Sexual Assault – 9 Complaints – 2 Charges

Mischief (prevent enjoyment of property) – 143 Complaints – 4 Charges

Liquor Act – 9 Charges



Impaired Driving – 7 Charges

Roadside Suspensions – No Data

2016

Assaults – 41 Complaints – 13 Charges

Sexual Assaults – 5 Complaints – 2 Charges

Mischief (prevent enjoyment of property) – 124 Complaints – 2 Charges

Liquor Act – 24 Charges

Impaired Driving – 8 Charges

Roadside Suspensions (Alcohol) – 4 Issued

2017

Assaults – 51 Complaints – 17 Charges

Sexual Assaults – 14 Complaints – 3 Charges

Mischief (prevent enjoyment of property) – 87 Complaints – 4 Charges

Liquor Act – 109 Charges

Impaired Driving – 5 Charges

Roadside Suspensions (Alcohol) - 3

2018

Assaults – 60 Complaints – 28 Charges

Sexual Assaults – 7 Complaints – 4 Charges

***Mischief (prevent enjoyment of property) – 127 Complaints – 4 Charges**

***By Law – 128 Complaints – 0 Charges**

Liquor Act – 49 Charges

Impaired Driving – 5 Charges

Roadside Suspensions (Alcohol) – 10 Issued

2019 (Dec 13th, 2019)

Assaults – 52 Complaints – 13 Charges

Sexual Assaults – 7 Complaints – 1 charge

***Mischief (Prevent enjoyment of property)** – 30 Complaints – 0 charges

***By Law Complaint** – 91 Complaints – 7 Charges

Liquor Act – 62 Charges

Impaired Driving – 11 Charges

Roadside suspensions (Alcohol) – 5 issued

2020 (Jan 1st – June 10th)

Assaults – 14 Complaints *

Sexual Assaults – 2 Complaint

***Mischief (Prevent enjoyment of property)** – 16 Complaints

***By Law Complaint** – 22 complaints – 1 Charge *

Liquor Act – 6 Charges *

Impaired Driving – 5 Charges

Roadside suspensions (Alcohol) – 1 issued

- Significant drop over previous years totals
- **There were fifty (50) complaints where members were required to follow up/investigate those who were required to quarantine and/or allegedly breaching the COVID19 health orders.**
- **There was two (2) charges to individuals under the Health Act for COVID19 matters.**



Notable Investigations

Jan 24th, 2020 – member stopped a vehicle on Elm Avenue for rolling through a stop sign. Investigation revealed that the 22-year-old male driver was operating a vehicle after using cannabis. Not enough evidence for a criminal code charge however was served summary offence tickets under the motor vehicle act.

Feb 2nd, 2020 – Members were contacted to investigate a 24-year-old female that possibly had her drink spiked at a local bar. No witness to the event and no evidence was able to be detected.

Feb 6th, 2020 –Member stopped a 26-year-old male driver in a vehicle after rolling through a stop sign on Gaspereau Ave. Driver found to have been consuming alcohol and was charged with operating a conveyance while impaired.

Feb 24th, 2020 – Members responded to the report of a domestic in a residence on Gaspereau Ave. There was no evidence of an altercation at that time. It was learned a couple days later that a female had suffered a broken jaw and nose after the first call. 25-year-old male was arrested and charged with Aggravated Assault.

Feb 26th, 2020 – Members responded to the death of a 19-year-old male by suicide at Acadia University where it was determined that the drug Fentanyl was involved in the death (intentionally). Investigation ongoing to determine the source of this drug.

- Kings District had put an Operational Plan in place to address the CHEATON CUP party weekend as well the St. Patricks Day/CHEATON CUP game day. Additional resources was to be working in the town of Wolfville to address any unacceptable social gatherings and/or behaviour. Due to the COVID19 ordered shutdowns, all events were cancelled.

(March -June – Statistics are lower due to COVID-19)

May 3rd, 2020 – members responded to a residence on Marshawk Drive where a 53 year old male had assaulted a 91 year old male with a shovel. Minor injuries occurred and the male was charged with Assault with a Weapon.

- Wolfville members responded and assisted with the home invasion that occurred on Ridge Road near Wolfville that has led into a homicide investigation which is ongoing.
- Kings District members will be patrolling the streets of Wolfville on bicycles over the summer months. These patrols have already been initiated on the Harvest Moon Trail and various local streets.



4. Round Table

- Continuous engagement between the University and RCMP starting with weekly meetings beginning next week surrounding the expectations of the return of students, the start of classes and off campus students.
- University classes will be starting on September 21, 2020, a little later than normal.
- Sympathy is being extended on behalf of the board to the RCMP in relation to the devastating incident that took place in March and the loss of life of Cst. Heidi Stevenson.
- New member Laura Fisher proposed the question of what is being done by the RCMP regarding engagement and training surrounding “Black Life Matters” and Indigenous people. Sgt. Buckle advised there is an active member assigned directly to liaise with the local Indigenous communities. The RCMP continue to engage and be involved with the County of Kings, while providing research and continued education to their members.
- Introduction of new member Laura Fisher to the RCMP Advisory Board Committee.

5. Next Meeting: September 15, 2020

6. ADJOURNMENT

IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE RCMP ADVISORY BOARD BE ADJOURNED AT 11:02 a.m.

CARRIED

Approved at RCMP Advisory Board Meeting September 15, 2020.

As recorded by Amanda Brown, Assistant, Administrative Services, Office of the CAO