

# Protective Services Committee

## MINUTES

November 14, 2023

7:00 AM

IN-PERSON

Attendees	Lauretta Ritchie-McInnes, Bylaw & Safety Supervisor Nicole Baptist, Mayor Mitch Hippsley, Michelle Goulden, Councillor Dustin Brears, Larry Pearen, Greg Klingspon, Staff Sgt. Burton Jones, Deputy Fire Chief Chris Turcot
Regrets	CN Constable Hank Neumiller, CV Sastry, Andrew Sedley, Fire Chief Trevor Morrissey
Absent	EMS Kelly Prime, Dale Hintz, Scott Robertson
Recording	Jen Prysliak
Call to order	7:02 a.m.
Adjourn	8:03 a.m.

## Agenda Topics

### Approval of Agenda

<b>Motion 23-15</b>	<b>Pearen</b> That the agenda be approved as presented. Carried.
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### Minutes of the September 12, 2023 Meeting

Discussion	Minutes from the September 12, 2023 meeting were circulated.
<b>Motion 23-16</b>	<b>Goulden</b> Minutes of September 12, 2023 meeting be approved as circulated. Carried.

### Unfinished Business

Harm Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Talk of leaving Narcan Kit with the patient, SHA taking on the initiative.</li><li>• Meeting April 6, discuss Blood Pressure Clinics in Senior Centers, Care Homes etc. for preventative measures. Teaming up with Stroke and Cardiac Prevention and Public Health.</li><li>• Waiting for more needle bins to be placed around town, they are being used very regularly.</li><li>• Meeting July 4, new sharps bins at Bruno's Place.</li><li>• New initiatives being discussed.</li></ul>
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Voyent Alert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suggestion to promote as a Committee, promote Voyent Alert on billboards around Yorkton. Discuss with Marketing Co-ordinator and Communications Management.</li> <li>• Over 1,000 users.</li> <li>• Templates to SaskEnergy to approve and use in case of emergency.</li> <li>• Continue to create advertising on all social media platforms.</li> <li>• Voyent is being utilized, with many informational alerts going out to the public daily/weekly.</li> <li>• Total Voyent Alerts approx. 76,000 from April to September. Critical alerts are down.</li> </ul>
Regionalized Fire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting with R.M.'s on training to enhance resources, expanding out to Canora.</li> <li>• FC Morrissey met with Springside Fire Dept. regarding a mutual aid agreement for any needed resources involving incidents/weather emergencies on Highway 16. Quarterly training to start as per discussion.</li> <li>• Running Hazmat Ops course for the region, Springside Fire Dept. and many other communities in the area.</li> <li>• New Deputy Chief Chris Turcot, meeting with local Fire Depts. on mutual aid training exercises.</li> <li>• Model to be set up by province, government funding.</li> <li>• Training with Ebenezer, Rhein and Springside Fire Depts. Train the trainer program, over 20 attendees.</li> </ul>
Safety Patrol Installation Ceremonies – Fall 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reaching out to schools, CAA no response, need assistance to hand out city certificates and medals to kids. Contact Sask-Safety Council again.</li> <li>• Funding from SGI to assist with costs and better thank you packages.</li> <li>• Spent \$1600 on awards and thank you packages for the students. Draws for students, thank you gifts for the teachers, 257 kids and 15 teachers attended the ceremonies.</li> </ul>
Community Safety & Well-Being Initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received funding. \$34,000 grant to use on the project.</li> <li>• Working with Ray Gosselin Architect Consultant, met with stakeholders, committee groups and toured The City, they provided a report brought to Council and are happy with the suggestions.</li> <li>• Looking at different options from the report, created a chart regarding the recommendations.</li> <li>• Create a policy for graffiti on public property, private property.</li> <li>• Paint/graffiti kit vouchers handed out by YBID/Chamber.</li> <li>• Residential graffiti is lower than business/downtown graffiti problem.</li> <li>• Engagement from Bylaw Services to get into schools to talk to kids.</li> <li>• Restorative Justice Pieces, graffiti mural piece to incorporate more interactive mural pieces. Create a designated graffiti space – recommended by consultants. Businesses to promote their spaces to use for art. Providing reports to schools, Yorkton Arts Council to bring Graffiti artists to teach graffiti art.</li> <li>• Waiting to hear from the ministry to receive funding. Research the gap analysis. See what other communities are doing. Sending off the letter, formal request for the funding. Continuing with Consultant to start the next phase.</li> </ul>

## Department Updates

Fire Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• LDC prevention and expansion projects in the works, training schedules are up to date, Saskatchewan Emergency Planners Association (SEPA) Conference is November 20-23 in Saskatoon, Fire Chief Morrissey is attending. Sun Crest College (Parkland) initiating the fire school program, Yorkton Fire to get involved in the training and equipment to build a provincial connection.</li></ul>
RCMP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 34 members in place with a full detachment in Yorkton.</li><li>• Hard drugs are a big issue in the community.</li><li>• Crown rules, no longer able to prosecute with low possession amounts of hard drugs (Fentanyl, etc.)</li><li>• Security at the Fair and Harvest Showdown, low issues at those events.</li><li>• SGI changed policy regarding noisy vehicles in the City. Police have authority to send loud vehicles for decibel testing.</li><li>• The RCMP have good connections with protest organizers within the City.</li></ul>
Bylaw	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Get E-Ticketing rolling, functions as records management and ticketing. Summary offence tickets and bylaw tickets to find a company. Ministry says six months wait to start that process.</li></ul>
CN Police	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No update provided.</li></ul>
EMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No update provided.</li></ul>
PSAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Raising money for the Ballroom Blitz on March 16.</li><li>• Team leader training, search manager training in Warman. Multijurisdictional search and mock rescue in March.</li><li>• EPTN TV show coming to an end.</li><li>• Assisting with traffic control for the Santa Clause Parade.</li><li>• Parkland Search and Rescue is a volunteer and fundraiser based organization.</li></ul>

Greg Klingspon leaves meeting at 7:57 a.m.

## Next Meeting

Tuesday February 13th, 2024 @ 7:00 a.m.

## Adjournment

<b>Motion 23-17</b>	<b>Pearen</b> Meeting adjourned at 8:03 a.m.
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Chairperson

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Secretary