



**REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
PUBLIC AGENDA**

Thursday, March 8, 2018

**Niagara Regional Police Service
Community Room, 1st Floor, 5700 Valley Way, Niagara Falls**

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Information Technology Committee Meeting of the Niagara Police Services Board commenced at 10:09 am.

ROLL CALL

PSB MEMBERS: Mr. K. Gansel, Committee Chair
Mr. B. Gale, Chair
Mr. T. Bonham
Mr. A. Caslin
Mr. V. Stewart

Ms. D. Cichocki, Executive Assistant

NRPS MEMBERS: Chief B. MacCulloch
Deputy Chief B. Flynn, Operational Services
Deputy Chief B. Fordy, Support Services
Superintendent R. Frayne, Operational Support
Mr. A. Askoul, Director, Information and Technology
Ms. L. DiDonato-DeChellis, Director, Business Services
Mr. R. Audeh, Technology Projects Manager

OTHER: Mr. R. McGuire, Citizen

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT/PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict or pecuniary interest.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- 1. Minutes of the Public Information Technology Committee Meeting held on Thursday, February 8, 2018.**

Moved by: T. Bonham
Seconded by: A. Caslin

That the information be received.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

2. **Versaterm Inc. – NRPS Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) Annual Maintenance and Support Renewal**

The Committee considered Service report 52/2018 dated February 27, 2018 providing an invoice reflecting the costs associated with renewing maintenance and support for the Service's CAD System, and further requesting the Board approve the annual renewal at the reflected cost, which has been included in the IT Operations Systems & Applications 2018 Operating Budget.

Moved by: V. Stewart
Seconded by: T. Bonham

That the Board approve payment of Invoice No. 1802-009 to Versaterm Inc. for the March 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019 yearly maintenance renewal of the Service's CAD System in the amount of \$242,080.93, including HST (net of rebates).

Carried.

3. **2018 Niagara Ortho-Photography Project – Follow-Up to Information Technology Committee Request for Additional Information**

The Committee considered a verbal update from Mr. Askoul regarding the additional layers of the Niagara Ortho-Photography Project's key infrastructure assets available to police. He stated that the map layering capabilities reach well within the hundreds and specific mapping details are easily accessed by loading files into the Service's CAD system. Chief MacCulloch further advised that given the relationship with the Region, the map layering capabilities are open to imagination. He further advised that map layering is case specific and he stated, for example, that should the NRPS want to draw a correlation between opioid deaths and calls for service, the required information could be layered on a map for comparison purposes. He also advised that ortho-photography provides enhanced topographical capabilities that can be used to assist police with the various types of police investigations including but not limited to missing persons for example.

Board Chair Gale commented on the positive feedback that is being received regarding the Service's new on-line crime mapping technology and he spoke to benefits of the Service's public advisement efforts. Chief MacCulloch advised that the Service's crime mapping technology can be demonstrated at public engagements such as Coffee with a Cop and Town Hall Meeting events. Board Chair Gale also requested that a presentation be made to Regional Council and Chief MacCulloch advised that staff will take that option into consideration for a future presentation.

Moved by: T. Bonham
Seconded by: B. Gale

That the information be received.

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Introduction of NRPS Technology Projects Manager – Mr. Askoul introduced the Service's new Manager of Technology Projects, Mr. Rany Audeh, to the Committee. Mr. Audeh was hired on February 18, 2018 and he brings a wealth of technological knowledge to this position. Mr. Audeh is looking forward to working with police staff on the development of a framework and platform to managing police projects at their greatest efficiencies.

Fort Erie Water Tower – Board Chair Gale requested an update on the status of the decommissioned water tower located in Fort Erie that was used to house NRPS voice radio equipment. He questioned if the tower structure has been removed and if the Region has sold the property. Chief MacCulloch advised that the Service will follow up on the matter with Regional staff and that Mr. Askoul will provide an update via email.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 12, 2018 (time to be determined), NRPS Headquarters, Community Room, 1st Floor, 5700 Valley Way, Niagara Falls.

ADJOURNMENT

The Public Information Technology Committee Meeting adjourned at 10:27 am.

Bob Gale, Chairperson

Deb Reid, Executive Director