

WARMAN, MARTENSVILLE, RCMP ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY MARCH 1, 2017
MARTENSVILLE
MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Kent Muench, Mayor Sheryl Spence, Councillor Bob Blackwell, Councillor Michael Cox, Councillor Trevor Peterson, City Manager Scott Blevins, Staff Sergeant Rob Eyre, Sergeant Chris Cisecki and Sergeant Jeff Egan

REGRETS:

LOCATION: Meeting Room, Martensville City Hall

RECORDING SECRETARY: City Clerk Carla Budnick

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Muench called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Committee reviewed and approved the minutes from June 15, 2016.

24 HOUR POLICING

Mayor Muench asked the question “Is 24 hour policing effective”? Staff Sergeant Eyre gave examples of how 24 hour policing has been effective and that it is nice to have a member be able to respond quickly. Both communities would like to see a proactive approach to dealing with traffic concerns, crime and other areas. Both councils would still like to see more of a presence in the schools. The idea of both municipalities agreeing to pay half for a member whose sole purpose would be to be present in the schools was discussed. A brief discussion was had regarding what the magic number of members would be to have Martensville and Warman have 24 hour policing within the two communities. Further information needs to be gathered.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Mayor Muench was curious if the RCMP ever hold events or participate in events to help engage the public. Warman noted that the RCMP were present at their last open house and it was very successful. Staff Sergeant Eyre said that the RCMP are open to working with both communities to be involved in open houses or other city events.

2016 PERFORMANCE PLAN

Sergeant Chris Cisecki gave a 3rd quarter update of the 3 priority areas. 1) Safety – Crime Reduction, 2) Traffic – Safety (motor vehicle, roads), 3) Respectful Workplace. The RCMP’s year runs from April 1st to March 31st. It was noted that the RCMP are pleased with the current results of how the plan is working and hope to continue with it for the upcoming year. Sergeant Cisecki requested that if either Councils would like to see anything added or changed to let him know ASAP as he is going to begin working on the new plan.

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FOCUSED INITIATIVES

Mayor Muench wanted to know how both communities can work with the RCMP to keep the community informed and offer suggestions to better protect themselves and their property. It was suggested that councils bring forward concerns and the Advisory Board could discuss ways to improve areas of concern.

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS

Councillor Blackwell brought forward some concerns regarding speeding and traffic infractions which were identified on Social Media. The message the RCMP would like relayed to the residents is to contact the RCMP, they can't address issues if they don't know about them.

NEW BUILDING

Staff Sergeant Eyre, was curious to know the status of a new building. Both communities indicated that since the election and with new members joining both councils it will need to be revisited and discussed. It was recommended that RCMP identify reasons for why a new building is needed and give to each council to further discuss.

NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held in Warman on Wednesday May 3rd, at 3:00P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 4:26 P.M.