

Huron OPP Detachment Board

Minutes

Monday, July 20, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Huron OPP Detachment Office

325 Albert Street, Clinton, ON, N0M 1L0

Members Present: Marg Anderson, Vice Chair - Elected Official - Central Huron
 Anita van Hittersum, Member - Elected Official - North Huron
 Greg Lamport, Member - Elected Official - Bluewater
 Jim Dietrich, Chair - Elected Official - South Huron
 Trevor Bazinet, Member - Elected Official - Goderich
 John Steffler, Member - Elected Official - Huron East
 Dave Frayne, Member - Provincial Appointee
 Jasmine Clark, Member - Community Representative
 Jennette Walker, Member - Community Representative
 Jared Petteplace, Member - Provincial Appointee

Staff Present: Acting Inspector Andrew MacIassac, Huron O.P.P.
 Kendra Webster, Administrator / Recording Secretary

Others Present: Hank Zehr, Police Service Advisor, SOLGEN

1. Call to Order

Chair Dietrich called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: 32-2026

Moved: D. Frayne

Seconded: J. Steffler

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board approves the agenda as amended.

Disposition: Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests and the General Nature thereof

4. Approval of Past Minutes

Motion: 33-2026

Moved: T. Bazinet

Seconded: G. Lamport

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board adopts the minutes of May 25, 2026 as printed and circulated.

Disposition: Carried

5. Presentations/Delegations

6. Business from Previous Meetings

7. Report

7.1 Inspector's Report

Motion: 34-2026

Moved: M. Anderson

Seconded: A. vanHittersum

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board receives the Inspector's Report as presented.

Disposition: Carried

7.2 Financial Report

Motion: 35-2026

Moved: J. Petteplace

Seconded: J. Steffler

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board receives the Financial Report titled Board Financial Actuals - January 1 to June 30, 2026, as presented.

Disposition: Carried

8. New Business

8.1 Huron OPP Detachment Board & Policing Activities 2025 Report

Motion: 36-2026

Moved: D. Frayne

Seconded: J. Walker

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board approves the Huron OPP Detachment Board Activities - 2025 Annual Report and the 2025

**Detachment Board Annual Report, as presented; and
That the reports be circulated by the Administrator to all lower-tier
municipalities in Huron County.**

Disposition: Carried

8.2 PGO Conference Summary

Members who attended the Police Governance Ontario (PGO) conference noted it was very well run and educational. Members explained that separate sessions were held for municipal boards and OPP boards, which was beneficial.

8.3 West Region Detachment Board Symposium

Member Lamport attended the symposium and noted that the topics covered were similar to presentations at the PGO conference.

8.4 Election of a Chair and Vice-Chair

The Board discussed the election process for the chair and vice-chair positions in 2027.

9. Board Member Comments

Member Lamport mentioned the Bayfield Community Focus Group would like to request a speed reduction to 50 km/h for a section of HWY #21 within Bayfield. He advised that traffic signals are going to be installed at HWY #21 and County Road #3.

Member Steffler said that there were some concerns with this year's upcoming Santa Claus Parade in Seaforth relating to closing HWY #8 and requesting off-duty paid OPP officers. He noted that there would be additional costs incurred by the Seaforth Lions for this request.

Hank Zehr spoke to the recent Inspector General Memo regarding an increase in antisemitism and hate-motivated incidents. He advised that the PGO has released board appointment resource packages which will be beneficial for new board members in the future.

10. Correspondence

10.1 Appointment to O.P.P. Detachment Board

10.2 Village of Merrickville Wolford - Resolution - Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation Techniques

Motion: 37-2026

Moved: G. Lamport

Seconded: M. Anderson

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board supports the Village of Merrickville-Wolford's May 26, 2026 correspondence regarding

Traffic Calming & Speeding Mitigation Techniques; and

That this supporting resolution and originating documentation be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Finance, MP Ben Lobb, MPP Lisa Thompson, AMO, ROMA, all Ontario Police Service Boards and all municipalities in Ontario.

Disposition: Carried

10.3 PGO Zone 5 Approved Minutes - March 10, 2026

Motion: 38-2026

Moved: G. Lamport

Seconded: J. Petteplace

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board receives correspondence items, as included under Correspondence.

Disposition: Carried

11. Closed Session

10:28 a.m. The Board took a recess and Hank Zehr left the meeting.

10:40 a.m. The Board returned from recess.

Motion: 39-2026

Moved: J. Petteplace

Seconded: J. Steffler

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board proceeds in Closed Session at 10:40 a.m. in accordance with Section 44(2)(b) and (g) of the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019;

1. **information explicitly supplied in confidence to the board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them, a municipality or a First Nation**
2. **personal matters about an identifiable individual, including members of the police service or any other employees of the board.**

That the following people remain in attendance for item 1 - Acting Inspector and the Administrator; for item 2 - the Administrator.

Disposition: Carried

12. Report From Closed Session

The Board returned to open session at 11:41 a.m.

Chair Dietrich reported out that the Board met in Closed Session as permitted in subsection Section 44(2)(b) and (g) of the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, to discuss information explicitly supplied in confidence to the board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them, a municipality or a First Nation, and personal matters about an identifiable individual, in accordance with the Act.

As a result of the closed session today, the closed meeting minutes of March 23, 2026, were approved and there were no resolutions to be considered in open session.

13. Next Meeting

September 21, 2026

14. Adjournment

Motion: 40-2026

Moved: M. Anderson

Seconded: G. Lamport

That the Huron OPP Detachment Board hereby adjourns at 11:42 a.m., to meet again on September 21, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. or at the Call of the Chair.

Disposition: Carried

Jim Dietrich, Chair

Kendra Webster, Recording Secretary