

RED LAKE-EAR FALLS OPP DETACHMENT BOARD

MINUTES OF THE RED LAKE-EAR FALLS OPP DETACHMENT BOARD MEETING HELD ON 12 FEBRUARY 2025, AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, AT 3:00 P.M.

PRESENT: J. Franczak Chair
 D. Butterfield Member
 J. Kristoff Member
 K. Sutton Member
 D. Woolsey Member

STAFF: D. Tovell Inspector - OPP
 D. Lamme S/Sgt./Operations Manager - OPP
 C. Goulet Administrator

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Administrator called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

(a) Land Acknowledgement Statement.

We, the Red Lake-Ear Falls OPP Detachment Board, acknowledge that our foundation and the spaces in which we live and maintain are on the lands of the Anishinaapek of Red Lake; the traditional lands of Lac Seul and Wabauskang First Nations, and Treaty 3 territory. As we are all Treaty people, we will continue to cherish our reciprocity of all our relationships on these sacred Lands and Waters.

The Administrator reported the election for the position of Chair and Vice-Chair must be conducted at the first meeting of the year in accordance with the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019.

(b) Election of Chair – conducted by Administrator

Moved by D. Woolsey
Seconded by J. Kristoff
(01-25)

RESOLVED that the Red Lake-Ear Falls OPP Detachment Board hereby approves the appointment of Jennifer Franczak as Chair of the Red Lake-Ear Falls OPP Detachment Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 01-24 is hereby rescinded.

CARRIED

(b) Election of Vice-Chair – conducted by Administrator.

Moved by D. Woolsey
Seconded by J. Kristoff
(02-25)

RESOLVED that the Red Lake-Ear Falls OPP Detachment Board hereby approves the appointment of Kylie Sutton as Vice-Chair of the Red Lake-Ear Falls OPP Detachment Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 02-24 is hereby rescinded.

CARRIED

J. Franczak assumed the Chair.

2. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

- a) For the agenda for this meeting; and
 - b) For the minutes of a meeting at which a member was not in attendance.
- None at this time.

3. **DELEGATIONS/DEPUTATIONS**

None at this time.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

- 4.1 December 9, 2024.

It was:

Moved by J. Kristoff
Seconded by D. Woolsey
(03-25)

RESOLVED that the Red Lake-Ear Falls OPP Detachment Board hereby approves the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Red Lake-Ear Falls OPP Detachment Board on 09 December 2024, as presented.

CARRIED

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None at this time.

6. **REPORTS**

- 6.1 Red Lake-Ear Falls Detachment Board Report – Year 2024.

Inspector Tovell presented the 2024 Year End Report and highlighted is the following:

- Motor Vehicle Collision data is an important tool to the OPP as part of their Roads Strategy and mitigation of the 4 causal factors – speeding, seatbelt compliance, impaired and distracted driving.
- Legislative authority for mandatory breathalyzer samples has spiked an increase in impaired driving charges and provides a definitive mechanism for Officers in situations of suspected impaired driving.
- Fraud is a major focus of the OPP, in particular respecting the vulnerable population such as Seniors. There was discussion regarding the Age-Friendly Program and an opportunity to provide education to Seniors to protect them from fraud.
- Currently, there is no Mobile Crisis Worker, however, the OPP are optimistic a qualified individual will be hired in the imminent future.
- A Victim Specialist was hired in January, an embedded position within the detachment, to support victims of crime.
- The OPP participated in the 2025 CCDC Job Fair.

It was requested if it were possible to capture individual community statistical data (Ear Falls, Red Lake and Pikangikum). Inspector Tovell reported the OPP could incorporate this information in future reports.

There was discussed on OPP community engagement.

- 6.2 Ontario Police Services Board (OAPSB) Zone 1/Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) Meeting – December 11, 2024 – Thunder Bay – Update.

D. Woolsey reported the conference was a great opportunity to discuss regional opportunities and challenges for OPP Detachment Boards. He highlighted a presentation on visor cards used to enhance Officer communications with hearing impaired individual during traffic stops and other interactions.

- 6.3 OAPSB Zone 1 Zoom Meeting – January 30, 2025 – Update.

J. Kristoff, D. Butterfield and the Administrator participated in the meeting and highlighted the following:

- There was discussion on regional boards and their operational status, challenges respecting insurance requirements and fulfilling membership representation.
- Board supported resolutions are to be forwarded to the OAPSB Zone 1, who in turn, will forward to the OAPSB.
- There will be future Zoom meetings, with the next one slated for April.

- 6.4 Detachment Commander Selection – Request for participation of one (1) Board Member. (Feb. 19-20 or Feb. 26-28 – In-person Meeting).

The Board concurred that if two members are permitted to participate, D. Woolsey and J. Kristoff will represent the Board in the selection of the Detachment Commander. The Chair will follow up with Superintendent Shaun Crabbe.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 7.1 2025 OAPSB Spring Conference & AGM – June 3-5, 2025 – London, ON & Call for Resolutions.

For information. The Administrator reported Calls for Resolutions are due May 1, 2025.

- 7.2 SOLGEN; re O.Reg. 518/24 – Amendment to Item 31 of O.Reg. 135/24 – Red Lake OPP Detachment Board composition.

The Administrator reported the Red Lake OPP Detachment Board composition has been corrected through amending legislation O. Reg. 518/24 with (1) Provincial representative, as opposed to the former (2) Provincial representatives.

8. **MOTIONS** *(to be brought forward after applicable item)*

None at this time.

9. **BY-LAWS**

None at this time.

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

- 10.1 2025 Meeting Schedule.

February 12/25 – 2024 Annual Report.
May 14/25 – 1st Quarterly Report (2025)
August 13/25 – 2nd Quarterly Report (2025)
November 12/25 – 3rd Quarterly Report (2025)

D. Butterfield left the meeting.

Inspector Tovell recommended the meetings coincide with the timing of the production of the quarterly reports as follows:

- Mid-April – 1st Quarter Report (Jan/Feb/March reporting period)
- Mid- July – 2nd Quarter Report (April/May June reporting period)
- Mid-October – 3rd Quarter Report (July/August/September reporting period)
- Mid-January - 4th Quarter Report (October/November/December reporting period)

The Board Concurred.

D. Butterfield returned to the meeting.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

It was:

Moved by K. Sutton
Seconded by D. Butterfield
(04-25)

RESOLVED that the Red Lake-Ear Falls OPP Detachment Board hereby adjourn to meet again at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Jennifer Franczak, Chair

Christine Goulet, Administrator