

DATE: JUNE 19, 2019

MEETING NO. 04-2019

TIME: 4:00 P.M.

PLACE: MCNAUGHTON ROOM, 3RD FLOOR, CITY HALL

CHAIR: J. UPTON

PRESENT:

R. Pervais, *Fort William First Nation*
C. Petit, *Citizen Representative & John Howard Society*
J. Hewitt, *Citizen Representative*
N. Duplessis, *Youth Representative*
L. Bruins, *Evergreen a United Neighbourhood*
C. Legarde, *TB Indigenous Friendship Centre*
J. Upton, *Lakehead District School Board*
D. Dika, *Sexual Abuse Centre Thunder Bay*
S. L. Fata, *Thunder Bay Counselling*
K. Watson, *TB & District Coordinating Committee to End Women Abuse*
M. Woods, *TB District Crime Stoppers*
L. Dacre, *Kairos Community Resource Centre*
A. Sandler, *Ministry of Attorney General*
M. Maddock, *North West Community Mobilization Network*
M. McGuire, *Nishnawbe Aski Nation*
D. Walker, *Children's Centre Thunder Bay*
D. Mayes, *St. Joseph's Care Group*
Councillor R. Johnson, *Thunder Bay Drug Strategy*
R. Togman, *TB Chamber of Commerce*

GUESTS

K. Salo, *Probation & Parole Services*
R. Viel, *Centr'Elles*
M. Stewart, *Youth Violence Prevention Project*
B. Raynsford, *CPC/Drug Strategy*
T. Walser, *CPC/Drug Strategy*

OFFICIALS

K. Lewis, *Director - Corporate Strategic Services*
L. Chevrette, *Coordinator – Crime Prevention Council*
C. Olsen, *Coordinator – Thunder Bay Drug Strategy*
R. Eras, *Communications Officer*
A. Bruetsch – *Project Manager, Youth Inclusion Program*

1.0 WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Chair, J. Upton called the meeting to order at 4:09.

There were no disclosures of interest declared at this time. The Communication Process was explained.

2.0 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

With regard to the June 19, 2019 meeting of the Crime Prevention Council, it was the consensus of the members present that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

3.0 PRESENTATION

Youth Tragic Events Fan-out Protocol

Christine Stayziok, Dilico Anishinabek Family Care and Lisa Joubert, Children's Centre Thunder Bay, presented on YTEFP, a community call to action that is currently working with 30 partners. The Task Force was developed in 2007 in response to two youth suicides that quickly overwhelmed schools and hospitals with the impact. It became clear that a formal response needed to be established. It became the first in the province to establish a coordinated effort to respond to youth suicides and developed best practice guidelines. Not only do they respond immediately, but the program extends into the longer term. Priorities are to ensure proper training for anyone in position to respond. They made a kit and track and monitor events responded to, as well as undergo an annual evaluation process. Mental health organizations or school authorities can call a fan-out to activate and mobilize appropriate staff. L. Chevrette asked if there's a role for the Crime Prevention Council to be a part of, and/or to disseminate to the broader committee. C. Olsen asked for support to model this task force for Opioid Task Force. The response was positive and they will look into it and invite those interested to take from presentation. L. Chevrette asked about the Situation Table's role in this. The response was there is always a role to collaborate, but this committee's role is intervention vs. prevention. M. Maddock asked if it could be fanned out to a neighbourhood and the answer is yes. However, the idea is when one organization is needed in particular and not an entire mobilization of a whole community.

4.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting No. 03-2019, of the Crime Prevention Council, held on May 15, 2019 were confirmed.

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.0 ANNUAL ACTION REPORT

L. Chevrette, Coordinator - Crime Prevention Council, provided a presentation on the annual report that went to Council March 25.

7.0 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

7.1 South Core Public Safety Task Force

The Task Force wrapped up its three-year term with a final meeting a couple months ago. One outstanding item is the alleyway improvement project. Working with Brook McIlroy firm that gathered input from the community on what they would like to see happen with a pilot project in the laneway across from City Hall.

7.2 Thunder Bay Drug Strategy

C. Olsen provided an update on the Thunder Bay Drug Strategy. They recently celebrated their 10th anniversary and acknowledged Councillor Johnson as a long-standing chair of the Drug Strategy. The Drug Strategy is working with organizations that wish to have and be trained on using naloxone. They've developed an Overdose Response Protocol Toolkit with a decision tree to assess the level of risk and are looking at if it's feasible to include policy and procedure. They plan to do a media launch of the kit to coincide with Overdose Awareness Day August 31. C. Olsen is happy to share with anyone who wants a toolkit. Also the Drug Strategy has updated numbers of opioid overdose deaths, which are still considered preliminary, but so far 2018 saw 44 deaths in Thunder Bay, which is higher than the 31 in 2017. Other than that, the Drug Strategy is keeping up with the shifting provincial policy on alcohol sales and consumption. Also, the Drug Strategy has Recovery Day Information Booths available, along with a handbill to cut and distribute. Poster to come in early Aug. K. Banks asked if there was any way to assess what deaths have been prevented. In Ontario, they track distribution of naloxone, and in Thunder Bay, we have numbers on how many times emergency responders administer naloxone. That said, not everyone calls 911. Research suggests only 50% will call 911.

7.3 Community Safety Ambassadors

T. Walser spoke about the ambassadors' presence at various events, including Thunder Pride, Victims of Survivors of Crime Week, Dease Park neighbourhood event, Multicultural Day, as well as continuing with clean-up efforts in the South Core.

7.4 North West Community Mobilization

M. Maddock shared a PowerPoint presentation on the previous year's local and provincial data from the Risk-Driven Tracking Database. The Situation Table saw 48 interventions and more than 70 people were helped, including one neighbourhood. More individuals were referred who are over the age of 60. Majority of referrals came from the justice sector at 50%. Interesting to see risks consistent year after year, drugs, mental health and criminal involvement, with fluctuations involving alcohol, which is increasing.

R. Gibson asked if a letter could be written, sharing this data to help make the case that we need proper security detox centres. C. Olsen thinks we need to group together to compare more data. L. Chevrette said we can ask Intergovernmental Committee to provide support to address this issue. M. McGuire also wants to collect data for homeless coordination at NAN. L. Chevrette proposed for those involved to sit down and figure out next steps.

7.5 Housing and Homelessness Coalition

C. Olsen provided update on behalf of A. Bellavance. Both the designated and Indigenous Community Advisory Boards (CABs) received Community Capacity and Innovation (CCI) funds. Both CABs have collaborated to allocate these funds to coordinated access to housing. As such, RFPs have gone out for a community lead and data lead. Hope to notify successful applicants for this funding in the very near future.

7.6 Youth Inclusion Program

A. Bruetsch provided an update. They are working on first priority neighbourhood in Limbrick/Vale. Every Thursday they are doing community BBQs. The first one had 200 people attend. Parents are providing ideas on what else they can be doing. Also been a presence at local area schools, which has helped familiarize students with the program. Also supporting Evergreen on Wednesdays. YIP is participating in the Mountain Keeper Program with Fort William First Nation, which creates some youth summer jobs and training. YIP is looking into working with Standing Bear to do youth leadership training with participants. Public Safety Canada is coming to Thunder Bay on June 24. J. Hewitt asked if youth can get involved with his organization, StandUp4CleanUp. The answer is yes. M. Maddock asked if there's a role for the Youth Inclusion Program to sit at the Situation Table. Yes.

7.7 Mental Health Crisis Response

Chief S. Hauth away. R. Gibson updated. The Joint Mobile Task Force (JMTF) has received the same amount of funding as their pilot year, so are able to operate for another year. Hoping for stable funding for this important program. JMTF served well over 1000 first one year, which means significant diversions from police and EMS

7.8 Youth Violence Prevention Project

Marianne Stewart spoke about project. Training is underway and the project will begin in the schools in the fall of 2019.

7.9 Thunder Bay Coalition to End Human Trafficking

S. Fata spoke and said 27 organizations are sitting at the Coalition comprised of organizations that can and will intercept for survivors of human trafficking. They are working on establishing a clear path to support victims/survivors to connect with appropriate support services, as well as increasing awareness in our community. M. McGuire said the MMIWG report had 231 recommendations, 31 for ON, which might assist.

8 WORKING GROUP UPDATES

8.1 Strong Neighbourhoods

L. Bruins spoke about the continued focus on safe places for kids and is happy to have community partners supporting them. New working group, Keeping Kids Healthy Neighbourhoods Working Group, led by TBDHU, United Way and City of Thunder Bay. Crime Prevention Council partnered with TBPS Project Footprint, a pilot project that aims to identify community safety and address risk factors. ZoneWatch in McKellar is the first area. Environmental Design audits in this neighbourhood to develop sense of greater inclusion. Media launch tomorrow at 2pm at McKellar Park School.

8.2 Public Education

C. Petit spoke about John Howard Society and Crime Prevention Council's South Core Community Clean-Up being successful with less garbage in the area compared to last year. The event saw a lot of community engagement.

8.3 Respect

L. Chevrette spoke about respect. She said the Community Safety Ambassadors will continue to do outreach over next couple months. There is continued respect training to all city staff. City committed to Wake the Giant to help create safe spaces in the community, geared to Indigenous youth but also everyone where people are trained in cultural awareness. Conversations are starting about how we can combine respect and Wake the Giant.

8.4 Home Takeovers

L. Chevrette spoke about home takeovers saying that at the March meeting we discussed the rise in home takeovers where gang-involved individuals go to a vulnerable person and take over that person's home. CPC Ottawa allowed us to model public awareness materials from their work done on this, see back of package. The goal is to raise awareness about how to prevent home takeovers and what to do if it is already happening. This subgroup is working to finalize these documents and will send electronically, and will also have a batch printed as well. Request to include FWFN on this document and add NAPS.

8.5 Crime Prevention Council

L. Chevrette provided an update. She spoke about the Community Safety and Well-being legislation and the creation of a smaller group to start developing a framework followed by community consultations in the fall. The deadline for development of the new plan is Jan 1, 2021. This will be moved to a regular standing agenda item going forward. Through the Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention, the coordinator is also involved in developing training to assist other municipalities to do community safety and well-being planning in Ontario.

9 ROUNDTABLE OF UDPATES

- 9.1 N. Duplessis – United Way took part in the Day of Caring. They started planning for the last week of September for the Wasaya Plane Pull and Aboriginal Youth Achievement Awards. J. Upton has contacts in school system, L. Chevrette can also help connect people interested.
- 9.2 J. Hewitt spoke about StandUp4CleanUp and invited people to come to Trash Craft sessions at Victoriaville. They are also starting to sort and weigh garbage they collect to give perspective of what waste looks like in respective areas cleaned.
- 9.3 D. Mayes – Reminded people about Rockin’ Recovery and encouraged people to attend.
- 9.4 L. Dacre said Kairos is seeing an increase in incarcerations and referrals with younger ages with very high risk behaviours, which is something new to Kairos.
- 9.5 C. Petit – AGM tonight at JHS. Social Navigator busy getting people transitioned into housing..
- 9.6 Shelter House – Block Party July 13, partnered with Matawa, live entertainment, penny auction, food, bouncy castles, face painting, aiming to raise 50K. Closing down George Street. Community Safety Ambassadors will assist that day.
- 9.7 C. Legarde did webinar with Department of Justice and Ministry of Attorney General on how to work with opiate clients, which was good experience.
- 9.8 R. Pervais said FWFN has an upcoming Pow Wow scheduled for next weekend.
- 9.9 Andrew Sandler said jail is still at capacity.
- 10 R. Gibson said Roland Morrison is official Chief of NAPS, which is great for city and partnerships. Janet Napash, Education Navigator at DFC, introduced herself. Helping youth to navigate support services. Works out of Pelican Falls and Sioux Lookout, as well as DFC.
- 11 Jeff Upton reminded members to opt in to Lakehead Public School newsletter on website.

12 NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

13 NEXT MEETING

In 2019, meetings of the CPC are scheduled on the third Wednesday of every second month, from 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. in McNaughton Room, 3rd Floor of City Hall, as follows, unless otherwise notified:

Remaining meetings for 2019:

- Wednesday, September 18, 2019
- Wednesday, November 20, 2019

2020 CPC meetings will be held on the fourth Wednesday of every second month, except for January, unless otherwise notified:

2020 Meeting Schedule

- Wednesday, January 15, 2020
- Wednesday, March 25, 2020
- Wednesday, May 27, 2020
- Wednesday, June 24, 2020
- Wednesday, September 23, 2020
- Wednesday, November 25, 2020

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm