PUBLIC AGENDA BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Thursday, June 18, 2015, 11:00 a.m. Committee Room A, City Hall

Mayor D. Atchison, Chair Commissioner D. Brander Commissioner C. Clark Commissioner D. Hill Commissioner C. Inglis-McQuay

SECTION A - MINUTES/DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Recommendation

That the minutes of regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held on May 21, 2015 be adopted.

2. DELEGATIONS

2.1 Saskatoon Police Service Youth Advisory Committee

Report of Chief of Police, June 8, 2015.

Presentation on relationship between Police and Youth.

Recommendation

That the information be received.

- CHAIR'S REPORT
- CHIEF'S REPORT
- 5. ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

SECTION B - CORRESPONDENCE/CITY COUNCIL REFERRALS

1. EMAIL – JAMES MILNE, JUNE 5, 2015 DETERMINATION OF NUMBER OF OFFICERS

Email attached.

Recommendation

That the matter be referred to the Chief of Police for further handling and response to the writer.

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2. EMAIL – LANDYN MOATE, MAY 19, 2015 CROSSWALK AT TAYLOR STREET (FROM ASHLEY PARK TO FIRE HALL #3)

Email attached.

Recommendation

That the matter be referred to the Chief of Police for further handling and response to the writer.

SECTION C - ROUTINE/STATISTICAL REPORTS

1. APPRECIATION TO THE SASKATOON POLICE SERVICE

Report of Chief of Police, June 1, 2015.

Recommendation

That the information be received.

2. INFORMATION REPORT ON CRIME FREE MULTI-HOUSING BEST PRACTICES AND NUISANCE PROPERTIES – A REVIEW OF PROGRAMS IN CANADA

Report of Chief of Police, June 4, 2015.

Recommendation

That the information be received and forwarded to City Council for information.

SECTION E - OTHER

SEPTEMBER MEETING DATE

At the May 21, 2015 meeting the Board resolved that the matter of changing the September meeting date to September 15th from September 17th be deferred to this meeting.

Recommendation

That the Board confirm its September meeting date.

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SECTION F - BOARD INQUIRIES

1. INQUIRIES



RECEIVE

JUN 1 0 2015

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

TO:

His Worship Don Atchison, Chairperson

Board of Police Commissioners

FROM:

Clive Weighill

Office of the Chief

DATE:

2015 June 08

SUBJECT:

Saskatoon Police Service Youth Advisory Committee

FILE NO.:

2,012-1

ISSUE:

The Saskatoon Police Service Youth Advisory Committee is a group of Saskatoon youth whose purpose is to determine and target barriers between police and youth. The Committee works with Members of the Saskatoon Police Service Cultural Unit toward a goal of bridging any gap between police and the youth and addressing any barriers through communication and raising awareness of existing issues. The Committee recently surveyed students from Saskatoon schools and today's presentation will discuss the results of that survey.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this report be received as information.

CONCLUSION:

The results of the survey of Saskatoon students indicate that only half of participants recalled their experience(s) with police as being positive. The Committee will continue to work to improve this number and the relationship between police officers and youth.

Written by: The SPS Youth Advisory Committee/Constable David Gee

Approved by: Sergeant Keith Salzl, Cultural Unit

Inspector Mitch Yuzdepski

Specialized Uniform Operations Division

Submitted by:

Clive Weighill
Chief of Police

T . 0/15

Dated:



From:

James Milne <jgarnerm@shaw.ca>

Sent:

June 05, 2015 9:29 AM

To:

City Council

Subject:

Form submission from: Write a Letter to Council

Submitted on Friday, June 5, 2015 - 09:29 Submitted by anonymous user: 174.2.119.232

Submitted values are:

Date: Friday, June 05, 2015

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: James Last Name: Milne

Address: 347 Whiteswan Drive

City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan Postal Code: S7K 4M7 Email: jgarnerm@shaw.ca

Comments:

Why does our Police Chief determine the number of officers required based on population; especially when he loves to tell us how our crime rate is dropping? Police departments originally began based on occurrences of crime, not number of citizens. We all know our population has increased dramatically in the past few years, but we also know the majority of this increase is immigrants. I don't recall the last time I saw on TV or newspaper or heard on the radio that local chaos,mayhem, vehicle theft, etc., etc., is being caused by immigrants. If 20,000 Filipinos suddenly move here, how many new offices will he think he needs?

A few years ago the RCMP announced they were relocating many of their members from southern Saskatchewan to Northern Sask. Do you think they now need to hire a number of officers for southern Sask because the population to RCMP "ratio" must not meet with what our chief thinks it should be or do you think the RCMP finally figured out they didn't have much to do in the south but were run off their feet in the North? If our Chief were in charge of the RCMP . he would want to hire more Mounties for BOTH areas as our entire provincial population is increasing

The results of this submission may be viewed at: https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/24507

RECEIVED

JUN 0 5 2015

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE SASKATOON

From:

Landyn Moate < lrm.729@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 4:07 PM

To: Subject: City Council
Form submission from: Write a Letter to Council

Submitted on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 - 16:07 Submitted by anonymous user: 70.76.95.116 Submitted values are:

Date: Tuesday, May 19, 2015

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: Landyn Last Name: Moate

Address: 729 1st Street East

City: Saskatooon

Province: Saskatchewan Postal Code: s7h1s9

Email: <u>lrm.729@gmail.com</u>

Comments: Hello again,

I have written to you guys before and i will write to you again and again until this issue is fixed. today at 12:52 pm i was using the crosswalk located at Taylor street crossing from Ashley park to fire hall number 3. there were no cars so i started to cross the street. while crossing a car that was waiting to turn started to turn while i was in the middle of the crosswalk. she came inches away from hitting me. she then presumed to speed through a school zone so i couldn't get her licence plate number. i have written several times to the city of Saskatoon regarding this issue and all i seem to get back in response is go file a report with city police to make sure that this issue is monitored in the future. while that is a great suggestion it does no good when the driver has driven away. i don't need to die before this issue is resolved.

thank you for your time Landyn

The results of this submission may be viewed at: https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/21911

RECEIVED

MAY 1 9 2015

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE SASKATOON



JUN 1 0 2015

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

TO:

His Worship Don Atchison, Chairperson

Board of Police Commissioners

FROM:

Clive Weighill

Office of the Chief

DATE:

2015 June 01

SUBJECT:

Appreciation to the Saskatoon Police Service

FILE NO.:

12,002

ISSUE:

To keep the Board of Police Commissioners apprised of appreciation/recognition to the Saskatoon Police Service.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this report and the attached correspondence be received as information.

Written and Approved by:

Clive Weighill

Chief of Police

Submitted by:

Clive Weighill

Chief of Police

Dated:

MAY 29/15

Tryon, Caren (Police)

From:

Police Info (Police)

Sent:

Monday, April 20, 2015 9:00 AM

To:

Tryon, Caren (Police)

Subject:

FW: Thank You SPS

Alyson Edwards
Director of Public Affairs
Saskatoon Police Service
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From: Nick All

Sent: Saturday, April 18, 2015 2:43 PM

To: Police Info (Police)
Subject: Thank You SPS

(Please forward this email to Mr. Weighill)

Mr. Weighill,

I have seen your name pop up frequently in the news lately and felt compelled to contact you to commend you and your officers.

Words cannot describe how much respect I have for the Saskatoon Police for their choice not to resort to lethal force. Police officers around the world are given guns, and to a certain extent when compared to civilians, are given permission to end lives. For this reason, I firmly believe any police officer is simply not allowed to be wrong about assessing the situation and their options when reaching for their gun. Every story I have read about SPS and discharging tasers gives me more respect for our police force, especially when they have been faced with an armed suspect. Chances are shooting a suspect threatening an officer with a weapon would be considered just cause in an investigation, but our police force still chooses the non lethal option in these situations. With all the stories coming from south of the border about people being killed by police for a lot less, American police are up there with Mexican police in my mind for law enforcement I hope I never have to come within 50 feet of. I feel very lucky to be living in a city with a police force exercising so much restraint on using their guns. To tie into this subject, I do not think bodycams on our officers would increase public safety whatsoever as there is no issue with excessive force from our officers. If anything, they would serve to help our officers brush off bogus complaints faster.

On another note, thank you for publicly announcing how overblown the panhandling debate is. I do not think there is a solution to panhandling. Asking for change isn't something worth locking a person up for, and issuing

tickets to those who cannot pay them will do nothing. I am one of the people who travels downtown to shop only when necessary, but that is mainly due to parking and lack of stores selling things that interest me. The panhandlers get on my nerves sometimes as well, but in over a decade of venturing downtown on my own I have never once felt threatened by a panhandler. It is simply an annoyance when asked repeatedly. Perhaps the city could try forcing "aggressive panhandlers" in to community service. Or send them to work cleaning up downtown for minimum wage. Maybe some don't show up, maybe some do and they aren't begging for a few days, and maybe some stay on the clean up crews for the regular income. I'm willing to bet that some of those living on the street would stick with a job if it fell in to their lap. Just something to consider.

I could give you my opinion on a number of subjects you have been in the news for lately, but I will not leave you with a novel to read here. Thank you again for the exemplary leadership you are providing to our police force and please commend every one of your men and women serving the city for the great job they are doing.

Sincerely, Nick B.

Tryon, Caren (Police)

Cst. Michael Morton, East "C" Platoon Cst. Beau Fouquette, Pawn Detail

From:

Police Info (Police)

Sent:

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 10:27 AM

To:

Tryon, Caren (Police)

Subject:

FW: File # 15-19576

Alyson Edwards Director of Public Affairs Saskatoon Police Service 306.975.8209

alyson.edwards@police.saskatoon.sk.ca Visit us at saskatoonpoliceservice.ca



From: Nadine 9

Sent: Monday, April 20, 2015 9:14 PM

To: Police Info (Police)

Subject: Fwd: File # 15-19576

Michael & Beau Thank you for a John well done. It makes a difference.

Good evening. Regarding my previous email, forwarded here, I am writing again to express appreciation for the police work that resulted in the return of my son's bike. After getting minor repairs to the bike, my son is riding it again with great pleasure! His bike is his therapy, a vehicle for physical, mental, and social health. Michael is a respectful, generous, hard working, and thoughtful 16 year old, and is grateful to you for getting his bike back.

Once again, thank you!

Sincerely, Nadine



----- Forwarded message -----

From: "Nadine

Date: 16 Apr 2015 09:29 Subject: File # 15-19576

To: <PoliceService@saskatoon.ca>

Cc:

Good morning.

Fifteen days ago, I received a call from an officer in the pawn division, that my son's reported stolen Specialized blue and white mountain bike had been located at a pawn shop. The officer informed me that the bike would be photographed and returned to us the next week (last week). A few days later, I received another call, from the front desk officer, explaining that the bike was not likely to be recovered at this time, due to lack of leads, and would no longer be investigated actively. When I explained the previous call, about the pawn story, he said it was likely true, that he just didn't have the information because of the separation of

departments. To date, we have not been contacted again about the bike. I am unable to provide the name of the constable who spoke to me, and I don't know how else to follow up, This email is to seek an update. Please direct my inquiry to whomever can let me know whether or not the bike has actually been found and will be returned to Michael.

Greatly appreciated, Nadine

Tryon, Caren (Police)

Cst. Christopher Link, East "C" Platoon Cst. Christine Talloden, East "C" Platoon S/Cst. Tatum Nelson, Communications

From:

Police Info (Police)

Sent:

Friday, May 01, 2015 10:38 AM

To:

Tryon, Caren (Police)

Subject:

FW: a note of thanks.

Alyson Edwards Director of Public Affairs Saskatoon Police Service 306,975,8209

alyson.edwards@police.saskatoon.sk.ca Visit us at saskatoonpoliceservice.ca Christopher, Christine + Tatum Thank you for your components + professional work.

----Original Message-----

Sent: Friday, May 01, 2015 10:29 AM

To: Police Info (Police)
Subject: a note of thanks.

I just thought I would take a minute to say thank you for the caring and compassionate service we received on your Apr. 30th/May 1st night shift.

Constable Nelson in Communications was the voice of calm, helping a somewhat distraught mother try to regain control of herself.

The two police officers who arrived at our door very quickly to take a report were efficient and helpful as well.

My husband and I appreciated how they took charge of the problem with limited information and got to work. The updates that followed were much appreciated and helped us feel like we were in the loop.

As I sat at RUH with my daughter for six hours early this morning, I had much time to consider how to say thank you and words don't seem to be enough...

I don't remember the name of the two officers who came to the house but the file number was 15-39177 so if you look them up, could you please pass along our appreciation for a job well done.

Luckily, we haven't had much reason to utilize the Police Service but it is heartening to know that compassionate, efficient people are doing this job. I can't say enough about how quickly we were heard and our situation was resolved.

For that, we are very thankful.

Please, keep up the great work.

Sincerely,



Cst. Sheldon Reddekopp, East "C" Platoon Cst. Aaron Neault, Central "C" Platoon Cst. Luke Siebert, Northwest "C" Platoon

City of Saskatoon Police Department

April 27, 2015

Atten: Saskatoon City Police Chief Weighill

Note of thanks.....

My wife my youngest son and I would like you to know how appreciative we were with the conduct of three of your officers on April 21, 2015.

Sheldon Reddekopp (Badge 866), Aaron Neault (Badge 726), and Luke Siebert (Badge 772)

We had a "domestic dispute" with our son, who is suffering from work related accident, and can become quite angry and confrontational with us. On this particular night he called 911 stating that he wanted to report his car stolen, by his parents.

These three officers did a great job of diffusing the situation, listening to our side, listening to our son's side. They were calm, empathetic, understanding and showed great care during the whole situation.

In times of high stress it is greatly appreciated to be assisted by such caring public figures.

We truly appreciate the assistance they provided to all three of us and wanted to ensure they were recognized for the "job" they did.

Sheldon, donon & Lake

Sheldon, donon & Jake

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conduct reflects well upon the

Sostatoon Police Service

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Tryon, Caren (Police)

From:

Police Info (Police)

Sent:

Thursday, May 07, 2015 11:15 AM

To:

Tryon, Caren (Police)

Subject:

FW: Bike patrol

Alyson Edwards
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From:

Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2015 3:59 PM

To: Police Info (Police) **Subject:** Bike patrol

I just saw a bike patrol officer riding through traffic, slowing down and looking in windows of cars. I'm guessing he was checking for seat belts, texters, etc.

Brilliant!!!! If this is an official initiative, good job. If it was a lone officer, good on him.

Either way, another great job by Saskatoon Police. Thank you for your hard work.

While I am sending this from my mobile device, I assure you I am parked.

Kindly,

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

Tryon, Caren (Police)

From:

Hanson, Sherralee (Police)

Sent:

Thursday, April 30, 2015 9:36 AM

To: Subject: Tryon, Caren (Police) SPS compliment

Hi Caren

Just received a call from Aaron he appreciates the work our members do. He says he works as a security guard but is not allowed to say where he works, only that it is "in a not so good area" of Saskatoon. He requires the help of the SPS a few times a month and is impressed with how professional they are.

I told him I would pass this on and let the Chief know ©

Sherralee Hanson

Secretary III Internal Investigations Section Saskatoon Police Service

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Email: childfind@childfind.sk.ca

www.childfind.sk.ca

May 11th, 2015

Chief Clive Weighill 76-25th Street East Saskatoon SK S7K 3P9



Dear Chief Weighill

Thank you for bringing greetings from the Saskatoon Police Service at our Child Find Charity Breakfast on May 6th 2015. This fundraising event, commemorating Missing Person's Week in Saskatchewan, was a tremendous success and we are thrilled to announce that we raised over \$30,000. We are very humbled and honoured to have had such an amazing turnout and we are grateful that you could be a part of it.

The funds from our Charity Breakfast will have a great impact on the number of children and youth reached through our educational and preventative programs and services. It is our focus and our goal to prevent children from going missing and to spare families the kind of overwhelming grief and pain suffered by our guest speaker, Lyle Miller. His words will never be forgotten and will always serve as a reminder that a missing child or a child in danger is truly everyone's responsibility.

Again, thank you for helping us make our Charity Breakfast a tremendous success.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Hallatt President







Constable Matt Maloney, Cultural Unit Constable Derek Chesney, Cultural Unit Constable David Gee, Cultural Unit

April 27, 2015

Chief Clive Weighill Saskatoon Police Service P.O. Box 1728 Saskatoon SK S7K 3R6

Dear Chief Weighill:



At the April 21, 2015 Board meeting, Constable Matt Maloney, Constable Derek Chesney and Constable David Gee presented to the Board of Education on the Cadet Training Program offered at Princess Alexandra Community School.

We learned about the tremendous dedication of our officers and were pleased to hear many positive comments from our students about their experiences with the cadet corps. Hearing that there is a 98% attendance rate for the twenty-five cadets and listening to stories about how these young people contribute to their community inspired our trustees, administration and guests. The smiles on the cadet's faces and the strong relationships between the officers and the students made it clear that the program is making a difference for our youth and we are incredibly grateful.

Saskatoon Public Schools values our partnership with the Saskatoon Police Service. This partnership supports the creation of safer schools and communities and we look forward to our continued work together.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ray Morrison, Board Chair, Saskatoon Public Schools

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Copy to: Mr. Barry MacDougall, Deputy Director of Education

Mr. Bruce Bradshaw, Superintendent of Education

MAY 1 1 2015

B. Pannell



E.D. FEEHAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Cst Kevin Schwartz School Resource Officer

May 11, 2015

Attention Chief Weighill:

Dear Sir:

I am the Department Head for the Alternate Education Program at E.D. Feehan Catholic High School. The Alternate Education Program provides education to high school youth who have a mild to moderate intellectual disability. This semester I am providing them with a leisure education class as a means to learn about recreation and health lifestyle. Along with these teachings is the topic of safety and responsibility as young citizens. Constable Kevin Schwartz has been instrumental in providing proactive supports to many of my students both in school and in the working community. I appreciate that he is always accessible and provides very meaningful presentations to my students. More recently on April 22, we were privileged with an opportunity to tour the new Saskatoon City Police Headquarters. Very special thanks to you and Constable Schwartz as he coordinated and guided us through the tour. As an educator, my goal is to foster and empower our youth with a healthy and meaningful attitude toward policing. Our youth are the future. They will continue to learn meaningful ways to give back to their communities as future adults.

Sincerely,

Sharon Watkins, Teacher Alternate Education

E.D. Feehan Catholic High School

306.659.7550

Kevit:

Manh you for the assistance you

provided to this class at E.O. Feehan H.5,

and he providing them a four of our H.Q.

Keep up the great work!

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Tryon, Caren (Police)

From: Yuzdepski, Mitch (Police)

Sent: Monday, June 01, 2015 4:19 PM

To: Foster, Grant (Police)

Cc: Pannell, Bernie (Police); Tryon, Caren (Police)

Subject: FW: certified status

A good thank you from the Mental Health Commission of Canada for Nachtegaele and Chesney.

From: Nachtegaele, Jeffrey (Police) **Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2015 3:06 PM

To: Chevli, Ajay (Police); Powiada, Mike (Police); Yuzdepski, Mitch (Police)

Subject: Fw: certified status

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the SaskTel network.

From: Denise Waligora < dwaligora@mentalhealthcommission.ca >

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2015 2:14 PM

To: dchess693@yahoo.ca; Nachtegaele, Jeffrey (Police)

Subject: certified status

Hi Derek & Jeffrey,

I wanted to commend both of you on the continuous positive feedback that you've received in your courses. I don't generally send this email to 2 instructors both seeing that you co-facilitate all of your courses I wanted to send to both of you. Participants have seen you as the strength of the course, very knowledgeable, enjoyed your personal stories and activities and noted how easy you both made it to learn.

As you know, your statuses have been moved to Certified. I am confident that participants have left your courses with a better understanding of MH problems and how to support individuals living/struggling with MH problems.

Thank you for your dedication to MHFA and for delivering impactful courses.

Have a great weekend,

Denise

Denise Waligora B.S.

Manager of Program Education/Gestionnaire de programme Education

Mental Health First Aid / Premiers soins en santé mentale

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Cst. Derek Chesney, Cultural Unit Cst. Jeff Nachtegaele, PACT Unit

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SOCIAL MEDIA twitter SALUTES



MAY

Tweets



CFLC @CFLCCA

@SaskatoonPolice wins the Support to @CanadianForces Operations (Domestic) @ #CFLC15 tonight in Ottawa. Congrats! pic.twitter.com/CSYQdnZoVR



11:38pm - 28 May 2015 - Twitter Web Client

2 RETWEETS 4 FAVORITES



kim @OhSoSinister 20d

A @SaskatoonPolice officer just made a little girl's day—HUGE smile—w/ SPS temp. tattoos while he waited at Starbucks. Such a sweet gesture!



wade vineyard

@wadevineyard

@SaskatoonPolice @snichol7425 thanks to these two officers for takn a pic with with Jackson .Big dog is 7 today pic.twitter.com/rCA6JKEAjZ





7:50am - 13 May 2015 - Twitter for iPhone

2 RETWEETS 12 FAVORITES



Sica Films @SicaFilms 20d

@SaskatoonPolice enjoying the twit account. Keep it up:)





FEEDBACK





RNC @RNC PoliceNL @SaskatoonPolice stay safe folks and have a great weekend!

View



Daniel Caswell @saskadan Was really impressed with @SaskatoonPolice in how they helped me stay calm. They called ambulance for me. I am fairly scraped up and sore

Details



Daniel Caswell @saskadan 20d I did my best to give best statement as possible @SaskatoonPolice also had their canine unit tried to track perp #yxe

Details



Daniel Caswell @saskadan I called 911 and operator was very good and helpful. Helped me stay calm @SaskatoonPolice came quickly.

Details



Wilmac Chappell @wilmacc40 17d @SaskatoonPolice Job well done Officers tx, for your services.

View



Kevin Stanfield @Stanfield... @SaskatoonPolice Thanks guys. and thanks for doing these! Love the transparency that you guys allow:)

View



Glenn Thomson @Glenntho... 23d @SaskatoonPolice Great job. thanks



Käri Thronberg @KariChosen Massive car crash right by my place @SaskatoonPolice have it under control with @SaskatoonFire & @MDAmbulanceCare - good job 1st responders

Details



Kel Lupien-Bergerman @k... I'm loving this initiative @SaskatoonPolice @SPSCanine

Launch of Stryker K-9 Fund - June 7, 2015 bit.ly/1Ky8szc

Details



Lisa Katsiris @Cdn_cowgirl @SaskatoonPolice shout outs to Cstb Laverty and the officer w/badge 663, really appreciated their help today w/situation at my workplace

Details



Drinkle 3 @drinkle3 Shout out to @SaskatoonPolice @SaskatoonFire for helping keep @DowntownStoon safe. *fistbump* <- if I had fists. #yxe #TalkingBuildings

Details



Linda Knight @LindaKn4300... 16d @YXEPoliceRun @SaskatoonPolice @SaskatoonSAR very nice. I thank God for our law enforcement officers.

View



Dawn Grunau @dawngrunau Great to see @SaskatoonPolice at school making sure our kids are safe! Thanks for all you do!





Saskatchewan Haiku @S... 23d No question from me, just wanted to say thank you to all you fine folks. #Thanks #askSPS

Details



Bev Beatty @BevBeatty1 23d @SaskatoonPolice Would like to express my gratitude to the SPS for everything you do for the city. Thank you.

Details



Jen Ellarma @JenElla396 27d

Big thank you @SportCanada_EN
@CityofRegina @MJPolice
@SaskatoonPolice @PAPOLICEca
for supporting @SpecialOSask
#celebrate #2015CoC #ygr



Jennifer @rnjbrown

A big Thank you to

@SaskatoonPolice! My boys had
a blast this morning! #kidsncops
#futurefishermen @goodrob
pic.twitter.com/g2k274v8HC



10.20am 9 May 2015 Twitter for Windows Phone

1 RETWEET 3 FAVORITES

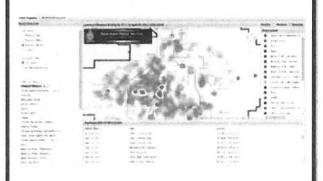


Josh Dawson @Dawson20sask 35d Crazy ending to my day. Right place right time or wrong place wrong time. Just glad my family is safe. Thanks @SaskatoonPolice



Cameron Smith @cameronidsmith

The @SaskatoonPolice Crime
Mapper is a pretty decent #DataViz.
Decent metrics and interface
bit.ly/1QVnkcl
pic.twitter.com/rUA9qBy8jh



4:47pm 1 May 2015 Twitter Web Client

2 FAVORITES





FEEDBACK





Taylor

@TaylorHunterDWW

Change Pittsburgh to
@SaskatoonPolice
pic.twitter.com/sF1w0twm00

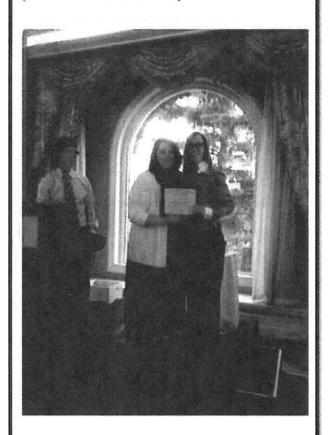




Pamela GouldenMcLeod @McPam42

#VTRABANFF Sgt Erica Weber receiving the Outstanding Leadership Award.

@SaskatoonPolice leading the way! pic.twitter.com/RwhpPJVWWI



8:42pm - 30 Apr 2015 - Twitter for iPhone

3 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE



Re: Matrix



Emma Poole @Spnn_Dr 16d
Very sad news. @SaskatoonPolice
Mourns Loss Of Canine Unit
Member
police.saskatoon.sk.ca/news/2015
276 #PSDMatrix



Dani Mario @DaniCTV

Sad. The @SaskatoonPolice K9 unit's PSD Matrix dies after being struck by vehicle on Warman Rd. last night. #yxe pic.twitter.com/AaNF5w3nM1



9.39am - 1 May 2015 Twitter Web Client

7 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES



RNC @RNC_PoliceNL 190
Our sincerest condolences to our friends at the @SaskatoonPolice on the tragic loss of PSD Matrix #RIPMatrix

@ SPS Mourns Loss of Canine Unit Member bit.ly/1JWYUu1



Bev Beatty @BevBeatty1 19d @SaskatoonPolice Rest in peace Matrix, thank you for your service. My condolences to the officer and SPS



Jeffrey A. Richards @Toont... 19d Saddened to learn of the passing of @SaskatoonPolice Canine Officer Matrix, last evening. Be well #SPS. R.I.P. Matrix



Carla Roy @carlaeroy 19d @SaskatoonPolice so sad. Thoughts are with all of SPS.

View



Salthaven West @Salthaven... 19d @angelinaiCTV @SaskatoonPolice Thinking of Matrix and his police family.

View



Tyler McMillen @harveyddd26 19d @SaskatoonPolice sorry for your loss. #K9Family #estevanpolicek9



Chris Downie @chris_downie 196 @SaskatoonPolice Sorry for your loss. Thoughts are with SPS and its officers





Neil Fisher @neilfisher 19d @SaskatoonPolice Heart breaking. Thoughts go out to those who worked along side PSD Matrix and especially his handler.

View



Dayner @_dayner_ 19d
@SaskatoonPolice My
condolences to the handler and
other SPS members. Rest Easy,
Matrix. Thanks for your service <3

View



Kel Lupien-Bergerman @k... 19d @SaskatoonPolice RIP Matrix, my sympathies to Matrix' handler. Thank you both for your service.

View



C. Gordon Rook @gordonrook 19d @SaskatoonPolice My sympathy on the tragic loss of Matrix.

Details



Brittany Little @beelitt 19d @SaskatoonPolice #rip Matrix.

View



CFHS @CFHS 19d
Very sad news: @SaskatoonPolice
dog dies after being struck by
vehicle
globalnews.ca/news/1973727/s...,
Thank you for your service, Matrix.
Details

This Guy @the_bjnewton 19d @ctvsaskatoon beautiful pup. Thanks for your service. Hope this officer gets a proper goodbye. @SaskatoonPolice



Grant Obst @ObstGrant 19d
"@SaskatoonPolice: SPS Mourns
Loss of Canine Unit Member
bit.ly/1JWYUu1". Rest in Peace
Matrix. Thinking of you Joey.

Details



Brynn Harris-Hamm @Brynn_H 19d @SaskatoonPolice SO sorry for your loss of PSD Matrix. I know he was a valued member of the team and the officers must be so sad today. :(

Details



susan sikorski @sushi74 196 @SaskatoonPolice so sorry for your loss.

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Partunia @Partunia 19d
@DaniCTV @jamiefischerCTV
@SaskatoonPolice Rest in Peace
Matrix. You were a good boy!

View



Child Find SK @childfindsask 19d @SaskatoonPolice So very sorry for your loss.

@ The @SaskatoonPolice are mourning the sudden death of canine unit member Matrix thestarphoenix.com/Saskatoon+poli ... #spnews pic.twitter.com/IYFEUbOC8e







FEEDBACK





Andre Almeida @becomefaster 19d My condolences to my previous family @SaskatoonPolice for the loss of one of their Police Service Dogs - Matrix

@ SPS Mourns Loss of Canine Unit Member bit.ly/1JWYUu1

Details



Cst James Hooper @4Echo13 19d .@SaskatoonPolice Sad to hear. Sorry for your loss. A tough one for his handler. @k9copmagazine #RIPPSDMatrix

View



Debbie @BrashleyDebbie 19d @4Echo13 @SaskatoonPolice @k9copmagazine I'm so sorry! ∜

View



valerie king @sk_mom2many 19d @SaskatoonPolice RIP Matrix SPS K9 Team We feel your loss

View



PisimCole @PISIMCOLE 19d @SaskatoonPolice sorry for the loss, lost a protector of the city.

View



Dayner @_dayner_ 19d @SaskatoonPolice Much love to everyone! RIP Matrix. :(

View



Jeffrey A. Richards @Toont... 19d @SaskatoonPolice So sorry to hear this.



Kindersley RCMP @RCMP... 19d @SaskatoonPolice So sorry for your loss, our thoughts are with all of you.

View



Chad @mjhandler1 19d @SaskatoonPolice My condolences to the handler, K9 unit and department.

View



MHPS K9 Team @MHPSK9T... 18d Sad day for our counterparts with the @SaskatoonPolice K9 Section. Rest in peace PSD Matrix.

Details



Della Burkitt @burkittmomma 18d
@SaskatoonPolice
@MHPSK9Team The whole
group from German Shepherds of
Dunmore and Area and Burkitt
Shepherd give our greatest
condolences.

View



Bill Smith @pointlastseen 18d @SaskatoonPolice May time ease the pain but not the memories. My heart goes out to all. Rest in peace SPS K9 Matrix.

View



Rachelle L'Heureux @Rook... 18d @SaskatoonPolice we are so sorry for the loss of Matrix thinking of his handler and everyone who will miss him

Details



Glenn Thomson @Glenntho... 18d @SaskatoonPolice My thoughts are with the Member and his family. Only a few truly know the bond between the two.





18d

FEEDBACK



Mitch @YycMitch @SaskatoonPolice : My
condolences.

View



Michelle Schneider @Chell... 18d @SaskatoonPolice Sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with SPS.



Sean Cronsberry @crons06 18d @SaskatoonPolice My condolences to the handler, K9 unit and department. Sent on behalf of the Ontario MNR K9 Unit. RIP K9 Matix. #K9 Family

View



Ben J. Schmidt @benjschmidt 18d police.saskatoon.sk.ca/news/2015 276 Condolences to @SaskatoonPolice on the loss of a canine officer.

Details



Claire @Claire_MP 18d
My heart hurts for the
@SaskatoonPolice K9 handler of
PSD Matrix. Thoughts are with
him. Incredibly tragic loss.

Details



Wendy @wendyb515 18d @SaskatoonPolice Const. Joel I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Matrix was beautiful.

View



Corey Zaharuk @CoreyZah... 18d Our condolences go out for the loss of @SaskatoonPolice K-9 Matrix @reginapolice @mitchyuz police.saskatoon.sk.ca/news/2015 276#

Details



jjbirns2 @JJBirnspublic 18d @CoreyZaharuk @SaskatoonPolice @reginapolice @mitchyuz so sad ❤

View



Moose Jaw Police @MJPolice 18d
Our thoughts are with the
@SaskatoonPolice in the tragic
loss of a valued member.
#K9Matrix





Saskatoon Police Service

Posted by Kelsie Alyson Karen [?] May 6 at 3 13pm 🤌

Inspector Dale Solie & S/Sgt Ajay Chevli were on hand this morning at the McDonalds on 22nd Street and Avenue W to help raise funds for Ronald McDonald House Saskatchewan during the annual #McHappyDay! #YXE



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Saskatoon Police Service, Rebecca Church, Julie Samantha, April Epema and
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Levina Hobbs Awesome....way to go guys!!
Unlike Reply 1 May 7 at 2 02pm Edited





Saskatoon Police Service

Posted by Kelsie Alyson Karen [?] - May 7 at 10:25am - €

ARREST - DRUG TRAFFICKING

A 26-year-old man has been charged following an investigation by members of the Saskatoon Integrated Drug Unit.

On May 6, 2015, officers witnessed a man in a rental vehicle, involved in suspicious activity near a shopping mall on Preston Avenue. The activity was consistent with a drug transaction. The vehicle was stopped by police at Broadway Avenue and Main Street. Inside, officers located \$750 in cash, 27 pieces of 1/2 gram cocaine and three cell ... See More

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Cricket Reynoldson Good job

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Boze Cisecki Good job SIDU &SPS

Like Reply - May 7 at 10:33am



Ken Arlene Ernst Right on get the ass off the street

Reply - Unhide - May 7 at 10:52am



Patty Booth Good work!

Like - Reply - May 7 at 11:07am



Cory L. Morrissette Awesome stuff SPS!!

Like - Reply - May 7 at 11:24am



Richard Collins Great. Get them drugs and the scum that sell them off our streets

Like - Reply - 6 3 - May 7 at 11:34am



Brenda Bond Just keep picking them off one at a time !!! Good work !!!

Like Reply 1 - May 7 at 2:02pm



Val Foulds MacLeod Good work!! That's why we need our officers in the communities observing and acting to protect. So grateful.

Like - Reply - May 7 at 2:02pm

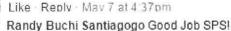


Toni Peters Way to go!!! (**)

Like - Reply - May 7 at 3:27pm



Jacqui Ryan-Austin Excellent





Like · Reply · May 7 at 8:18pm



Tiffany Crawshaw Fredriksen Great work SPS! Keep those drugs off the streets.

Like - Reply - May 7 at 9:19pm





Saskatoon Police Service

Posted by Kelsie Alyson Karen [?] May 9 at 10:57am - 🖓

Comments...

CEW DEPLOYMENT

Saskatoon Police deployed a conducted energy weapon (CEW) at an aggressive dog during a domestic dispute in the 200 block of Ave. R South just after 4:00 p.m. May 8, 2015.

Saskatoon Police were called to a domestic dispute in the 200 block Ave. R South at approximately 4:11 p.m. May 8, 2015. One of the officers investigating the domestic situation was assaulted by a male during the incident. A dog belonging to the occupants of the home attempted to bite 2 officers before charging a third officer in an attempt to bite him. The officer deployed the CEW device contacting the dog causing it to retreat.

A Police K-9 unit member attended the scene and assessed the dog to ensure it was ok and that it did not need any medical assistance from a vet. After review of the situation, officers were satisfied that the dog could remain with the home owner and was fine.

The officer that was assaulted did not need medical attention.

A 43 year male is in custody facing charges of Domestic Assault.

Assaulting a Police Officer, and Unlawful Confinement. He will be seen by a Justice of the Peace tomorrow.

This incident will be reviewed in accordance to policy.

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Ryan Olson That sounds like it was handled properly, at least they didn't shoot it and made sure it was ok. Well done SPS.

Like · Reply · 61 · May 9 at 11:07am



Heather Yuzik The things that members of the SPS have to deal with daily and what they have to go through is atrocious. So thankful for them and all they do to protect the citizens of Saskatoon and to keep our city safe!

Unlike Reply 1/2 16 May 9 at 11:27am



Tracy Brooklynn Aileen The dog attacked them. What else was the officer to do....shoot it with a gun? Good job SPS and thank you for all you do to try and keep us safe, each and everyday.

Like Reply 65 May 9 at 11:28am



Tanis Komada Thank you for not actually shooting the dog SPS! In a high intensity situation! would imagine the dog was completely out of sorts ... You cannot fault the dog in a situation like this ... Lay on the charges for the humans though! Hopefully all officers are okay!

Like Reply 6 - May 9 at 11:37am - Edited



MA



Barangay Kapitan Otepay Well done SPS.. #WishingBePartOfYourTeam
Like Reply 1 May 9 at 11:41am



Melissa Richardson Huge HUGE great job to these officers!! They could have shot the family pet for protecting its family, but they used level heads and saved a dogs life in a tough situation. GREAT JOB OFFICERS!!

Like Reply 65 - May 9 at 12:56pm





Kaitlyn Allison Anne Luster Beautifully handled. Good job SPS!

Like Reply 1 May 9 at 12:57pm



Hugh Donald Alexander Fraser Well done, the dog was only doing what a K9 handler's dog would have done, protecting the person. No knee jerk reaction here. Kudo's to the officers involved.

Like - Reply - 1 May 9 at 2:51pm

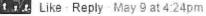


Hillary Langlois I'm proud of the officers for using a CEW, but the dog should still be checked over by a vet. A K-9 officer has no officially animal medical training... I hope the owners will take it in

Like Reply 61 - May 9 at 3.58pm



Dawn Raven Bird OMG so scary (A) (B) (C)





Ankur Jamwal Well done SPS for reacting responsibly

Like - Reply - May 9 at 4:29pm



Heather Landine Thank you SPS for not shooting the dog. Well done officers!

Like Reply 1 May 9 at 4.33pm



Kim Kriitmaa Do what ya gotta do. Not the dogs fault.....blame it on the owners. Dogs aren't born aggressive..... After you tased the dog you should have given the owner one too...lol

Like - Reply 1 - May 9 at 4:44pm - Edited



Beth Anne I admire the officer's restraint.

Like - Reply - May 9 at 5:27pm



Laura Erickson Wow this is impressive by the officers. Well done. 🐼

Elike - Reply - May 9 at 5.30pm



Anthony Phillips U talk to any police officer and domestics are some of the most dangerous calls they respond to, good job for not shooting the dog.

Like Reply - May 9 at 8:43pm



Chereen Delage Love the Saskatoon City Police!

Like - Reply - May 9 at 9:27pm



Thomas Szabo Thank you for not shooting it.

Like Reply - May 9 at 9:35pm



Bruce Munroe Very good job by SPS

Like Reply May 9 at 10:46pm



Michael J. Costello Now that's a job well done. Very impressive.

Like - Reply - May 10 at 4:33am



Brandon Ferland My wall is flooded with all crap stories from the states. Its nice to see some positive stories from this side of the fence. Well done SPS.

Like Reply 1 May 10 at 7:52am



Teresa Wasylciw Cooke Wonderful job SPS

Like Reply May 10 at 7.57am





Saskatoon Police Service

Posted by Kelsie Alyson Karen 121 - May 11 at 9:24am - 🖓

BREAK AND ENTER ARRESTS

Saskatoon Police Service Break and Enter Unit has arrested and charged three men, ages 27, 31, and 43 years of age, with multiple break and enters and possession of stolen property in relation to a number of business break ins that occurred predominantly in the north end of our city over the past few weeks. A total of 28 property offence related charges either have or will be laid on these three accused and the investigation continues.

As a result of a combination of increased police presence, public assistance, and police intelligence, the three males were apprehended and two search warrants were executed today outside of Saskatoon, with the assistance of the RCMP, one being in the town of Osler and the other being on a farmyard north of Laird, Saskatchewan. In both searches, stolen property was recovered including such items as RV furniture, a cargo trailer, a motorcycle and accessories, a snow blower, and other items. Further, another residence was visited in the town of Waldheim and with the assistance of the homeowners, another two stolen motorcycles and a quad ATV were recovered.

Two of the three accused will appear in Saskatoon Provincial Court on Monday, May 11, 2015, and the third, who is currently on remand in the Saskatoon Correctional Center on previous charges in this investigation, will go before the courts on his additional charges sometime next week.

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Hans-Jurg Buchi Well done...

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Jaime Svennes good thing awesome Like Reply May 12 at 12:30am





Lyle Braaten Welcome to Saskatoon, to the two officers from LAPD. Whenever my family has the chance to thank SPS we do, Thanks again for what you do, we appreciate all that you do.

Unlike - Reply - 1 - May 12 at 9:34am



Andre Mercier I live in a quiet area of saskatoon and witnessed the proffessionalism of our police services when a man resisted surrender for several hours after shooting from his rental property at his family landlord and police. It doesnt seem like this should happen in our city but good to know the police are trained to handle this type of situation with no casualties

Unlike Reply 1 1 - May 12 at 6.24am



Saskatoon Police Service

Posted by Kelsie Alyson Karen [?] - May 12 at 9:43am - 🎨

STOLEN VEHICLE LEADS TO 5 ARRESTS

Shortly before 7:30 PM Monday evening, the Saskatoon Police Service received a report regarding the occupants of a vehicle throwing bottles at parked cars. Police were also provided a description of the vehicle as well is the license plate number. It was quickly learned that the GMC Yukon had been reported stolen from Prince Albert early Monday morning.

Patrol officers located the vehicle in the area of Confederation Drive and Borden Place an... See More

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Lori Prostebby Yaaaa SPC and the Canine Unit!

Like Reply 2 May 12 at 9:51am



Dean Neufeld Good job Canine!

Like Reply 1 - May 12 at 9:56am



Carrie Rothenburger Did the dogs get a mint after? I'm sure they find criminals are rather distasteful. Well done SPS!

Like - Reply - 2 3 - May 12 at 12:15pm





Saskatoon Police Service

Posted by Kelsie Alyson Karen [?] - May 13 at 11 00am 🔌

With help from the Saskatoon Council on Aging (SCOA), seniors from different walks of life, different areas of town and different ages, gathered at the the SPS HQ this morning to learn more from the SPS and the Saskatoon Fire Department about what services each agency provides and how those services can assist them. In return, we heard about what they need and expect from us. All in all, a positive collaboration contributing to an age-friendly community!



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Saskatoon Police Service, April Epema, Serese Selanders, Akimova Svitlana and 27 others like this.



John Piziurny Keep up the good work. Kudos SPS.

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News Release: Firearms call results in arrest. http://bit.ly/1IJVKv7

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Brigitte Mercier Now that's good wo4k SPS!

Like Reply May 17 at 10:56am Edited



Saskatoon Police Service

Published by Kelsie Alyson Karen [?] May 26 at 2.05pm · ₽

From our @SPSCanine Twitter account last night...



SPS K9 Unit

#psdboss is tired; he was up all night catching suspects breaking into vehicles! Now he is guarding his own car...

pic.twitter.com/3vxO3nUhgu



Sawsha Weflen

May Tulli & Table

Just wanted to thank you for all the work you guys do. My brother was taken care of by you guys last night and I just wanted to thank the officer I talked to for being so understanding and respectful with the situation. The world needs more cops like the one I dealt with last night.



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News Release: Hit and Run Investigation - Charges Laid http://bit.ly/1Q26Hsp

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Pamela Noordman despicable! glad hes caught -throw the book at him!! Like - Reply - 24 - May 22 at 4:55pm



Kirsty Ess THANK YOU! This is my dear, dear friend & neighbour. This has been a long wait. I hope he is held accountable and learns the very real consequences of the events of this day.



Roody Huxtable Good work SPS! Like - Reply - 1 - May 22 at 6:03pm



Shelly Lambie Fantastic job sps!!!!!! Like - Reply - 2 - May 22 at 6:17pm



Saskatoon Police Service

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News Release: Charges Laid - Break and Enter/Theft - 500 Block Brand Place http://bit.ly/1dtfUOW

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Boze Cisecki Keep up the good work SPS Unlike - Reply - 🖒 1 - May 25 at 11:35am

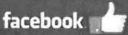


John Piziurny As always, good job S.C.P.D. Kudos.



Unlike - Reply - 1 - May 25 at 11:57am











Saskatoon Police Service

Published by News Release [?] - May 28 at 9:15am - €

News Release: Arrests - Possession of Stolen Property http://bit.ly/1d1GwWd

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Roody Huxtable Good work SPS! Thank you!

Unlike - Reply - 3 - May 28 at 10:03am



Brigitte Mercier Good work SPS. Joanne Zadorozny, may want to read.

Like - Reply - May 29 at 10:26am



Saskatoon Police Service

Published by News Release [?] - May 29 at 10:00am - 🗞

News Release: Update - 74 Charges Laid - Break and Enters Investigation/Arrests - Possession of Stolen Property (rel#340) http://bit.ly/1HSbTjC

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Phyllis Painchaud Another job well done SPS!!

Unlike Reply 🖒 1 May 29 at 10:18am



Cricket Reynoldson Awesome lets get these guys off our streets

Like Reply 61 May 29 at 10:25am



Linda Bueckert Great job, now hopefully you'll find the crooks who stole my

stuff

Like Reply 1 - May 29 at 11:06pm



Anita Simaganis Great work

Like Reply 1 - May 29 at 11:18pm



Kris Eyvindson Good job!

Like - Reply - May 30 at 7:58am





Saskatoon Police Service

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News Release: Update - Missing Person Located (rel#343) http://bit.ly/1EFRZ3Z

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Judy Bovill-Turcot Thank goodness he was found. Good job sps.

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Kathleen Tomkewich God bless you SPS! That poor boy and his family. So happy he is safe!

Like - Reply - 63 - May 29 at 4:48pm



Karli McNamara You guys rock. Good job.

Like - Reply - 2 - May 29 at 4:52pm



Karoline Chamryk Awe so glad to hear!!

Like - Reply - 1 - May 29 at 4:54pm



Chris Saulteaux Glad he is safe now...Thank You S.P.S. and others who helped.

Like - Reply - May 29 at 4:57pm



Terri Osatchuk Thank God. I'm sure there is nothing worse for a parent, when their child goes missing.

Great job.

Like - Reply - May 29 at 5:00pm

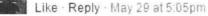


Jill Bodnar Glad he is safe and that nothing bad happened...

Like - Reply - May 29 at 5:00pm



Scott Cavanagh Great job SPS!!!!





Tracy Schmidt Nice work SPS!

Like - Reply - May 29 at 5:06pm



Eliana Bird Awesome! I'm glad to here he's safe

Like - Reply - May 29 at 5:14pm - Edited



Gail Stinson Great news!

Like - Reply - May 29 at 5:31pm



Barbie Galambos Thank goodness!!!

Like - Reply - May 29 at 5:32pm

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TO:

His Worship, Mayor Don Atchison, Chairperson

Board of Police Commissioners

FROM:

Clive Weighill

Office of the Chief

DATE:

2015 June 4

SUBJECT:

Information Report on CFMH Best Practices and Nuisance properties

- a review of programs in Canada

FILE #:

2,016

ISSUE:

This report has been created in response to a request from the March Board of Police Commissioners "that the Saskatoon Police Service report no later than June 2015 on what other communities are doing with crime-free multi-housing, including information on any 'nuisance property' bylaws."

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Police Commissioners receive this report and that the report be provided to City Council for information.

Written by:

Donna Thiessen

Crime Free Multi-Housing Coordinator

Approved by:

A/Inspector Ajay Chevli

Central Division

Submitted by:

Clive Weighill

Chief of Police

Dated:

Jane 8/13

CFMH Best Practices Review and Dealing with Nuisance Property Bylaw Information

Report Highlights

- 1. There are best practices that can inform the Saskatoon CFMH program.
- 2. Other municipalities, primarily in British Columbia have implemented a repeat nuisance abatement bylaw that allows them to impose a fee for service for each nuisance call at a property once a relatively low threshold has been reached (ex. 3 calls for service in a year or more than 2 service calls in a 24 hour period) and a time period for remediation has passed. This practice is implemented as a last resort once other entreaties and options have failed to produce a change at the property.
- 3. In 2014, a few rental property and temporary accommodation addresses received exceptionally high Saskatoon Police service levels to deal with nuisance properties. Two properties that offer temporary/rental accommodation accounted for over 2000 calls for service last year.
- 4. In 2014, the 20 properties with the highest calls for service generated over 5000 calls.
- 5. The owners / managers of these properties are making excessive use of the City's emergency services in lieu of managing their properties sustainably.

Strategic Goal(s)

The information in this report may be utilized to address the quality of life in Saskatoon by reducing and preventing crime and providing appropriate service levels to address ongoing problems at properties. The report supports continuous improvement of the City of Saskatoon by providing information about how other municipalities support health and safety as a top priority. Emerging trends have been identified. This report identifies a targeted opportunity to implement specific continuous improvement tools within the City's emergency response and to reflect best practices from other jurisdictions.

Background

When the Crime Free Multi-Housing program was established in Saskatoon, a survey was undertaken of other programs across the county. A proposal was developed that reviewed the best practices from those programs and was adopted by City Council in 2008. This proposal has guided the CFMH program through the first five years of development. All goals within the proposal have been realized with the exception of the staff resourcing. Currently the program is staffed with one full time permanent Coordinator position, one temporary full-time Assistant Coordinator position and one 0.4% FTE Administrative Assistant position.

While there are CFMH programs that exist in isolated communities throughout Canada, British Columbia has been the most successful in implementing the strategy throughout the lower Mainland and in many other communities, in part due to a provincial crime prevention association. Currently nuisance abatement bylaws that provide remedy for repeat nuisance service calls have been implemented in several communities in British Columbia where the CFMH program has a strong presence.

Since 2008, the CFMH program has continued to expand in British Columbia, due to provincial influence and support. One key addition to the program in B. C. has been the addition of repeat nuisance abatement by-laws to address the problem of properties choosing not to participate in

the CFMH program and continuing to draw on emergency services to address the behavioral nuisances.

Saskatoon City Council passed the Property Maintenance and Nuisance Abatement bylaw in 2003. The bylaw addresses the condition of the property and remediation, but does not address the issue of the demand on emergency services. A nuisance can result from the physical condition of a property, but it can also be the result of the behavior of the people using or living at the property.

CFMH Best Practices

The CFMH base program is designed to be flexible to allow communities to address particular local problems. Many CFMH best practices are implemented to deal with particular local problems. As an example, in certain communities in the lower main land of British Columbia, there are significant problems with grow ops and illegal drug labs. In Saskatoon, the CFMH program has implemented community events such as a barbecue for the Pleasant Hill neighborhood to try to develop community connections since this area contains 15% of Saskatoon's multi-family rental accommodation. Best practices that deal with local scenarios have not been included in this report. Some of the best practices from other communities include:

- 1. Business licenses for rental property implemented in several communities in British Columbia. The business license allows an inspector to check on a property prior to the business license being granted or renewed. The CFMH program provides recommendations on standards for rental properties including:
 - a. a record of current tenancy (tenant registry),
 - b. proper tenant screening,
 - c. ongoing property management including monitoring tenant behavior, documenting and addressing infractions of tenant agreements and
 - d. maintaining the physical condition of the rental property.
- 2. Repeat/Excessive nuisance abatement property bylaw. This addition has provided several cities in British Columbia with a mechanism to charge a fee for service (See Appendix A for a summary of the fees) for a fixed period of time (ex. 2 years) once a threshold of nuisance calls has been exceeded. A warning is provided and properties have a period of time (ex. 60 days) to rectify the problem prior to the abatement fee being put in place. The CFMH program and other civic departments monitor the calls to properties and recommend properties to be placed under the abatement bylaw.
- 3. Mandatory criminal record checks for all residents of CFMH properties has been applied in Ottawa since 2008. The Ottawa CFMH program supports the provision of record checks. In Ottawa, the CFMH program deals primarily with one social housing agency.
- 4. The Edmonton and Saskatoon CFMH programs have implemented a process to provide information from Police reports to CFMH certified properties. An application for information is provided to the CFMH office by a landlord along with a copy of the CFMH lease addendum

document, which the tenant has signed indicating they have provided permission for the release of the Police information. The landlord must sign a legal contract indicating that the information may only be used for the purpose of seeking an eviction.

- 5. At least one community in British Columbia has implemented a practice of providing a letter to thank rental apartment residents who have provided information to Police related to a problem at the property. Often residents may be intimidated to call Police despite the ongoing risk to their own safety and security. This practice may encourage more people to report concerns to the police service.
- 6. Several communities have implemented other Crime Free (CF) programs including CF condo, CF Hotel/Motel, CF single family rental, CF Business and CF Storage Containers to address particular issues within their communities.

Details on the specifics of the implementation of best practices in each community can be found in Appendix B.

Nuisance Properties

Most communities (with a CFMH program) have already regulated nuisance properties. The nuisance property bylaws address issues with the physical condition of the property. A few communities have recognized that a nuisance may also be defined by behavior, which will generally require emergency services response. These communities have implemented an excessive nuisance abatement fee for service.

In Saskatoon, the Property Maintenance and Nuisance Property Bylaw, nuisance is defined as

- (i) A condition of property; or
- (ii) A thing; that affects or may affect the amenity of a neighbourhood or the safety, health and welfare of people in the neighborhood, and includes:
- (iii) A building in ruinous or dilapidated state of repair;
- (iv) An unoccupied building that is damaged and is an imminent danger to public safety;
- (v) Land that is overgrown with grass and weeds;
- (vi) Untidy and unsightly property;
- (vii) Junked vehicles;
- (viii) Open excavations on property.

This definition does not consider the possibility that behavior of the property users may also be a characteristic of a nuisance property that will result in increased demand on emergency services to address the problem. This prolonged demand may be an indication of a loss of management control or the ceding of management control to the proxy of emergency services to deal with problems that management is unable or unwilling to address. Information on the nuisance property calls to Saskatoon's multi-family properties can be found in Appendix C.

In all communities that have implemented an excessive nuisance abatement bylaw, if a threshold number of service calls is exceeded, a warning letter may be issued with a time period to provide the requested remedy. If the problem continues through the warning period and there is no abatement in place at the end of the period, the property is placed under abatement for a period of time (typically 2 years) during which the City may impose upon the owner of that property a fee for service for each additional nuisance service call response within that period. The imposition of the nuisance abatement fees are in addition to the City's right to seek other legal remedies or actions for abatement of the nuisance. Typically this process is only implemented after other remediation actions have been offered and been refused.

Communities with an excessive nuisance abatement option have cautioned that this program was never intended to be generally applicable to all properties that meet the threshold. This program is used as a last resort after numerous other attempts to encourage the property owners to address the problems have been unsuccessful.

Public and/or Stakeholder Involvement

Since the Saskatoon CFMH program was last established in 2010, it has been informed by an advisory committee that represents key stakeholders including representatives from Fire and Protective Service, The Ministry of Justice – Office of Residential Tenancies, The Ministry of Social Services – Sask. Housing Corp, City of Saskatoon Community Services, Saskatchewan Landlords Association, Saskatoon Police as well as rental apartment residents. That committee has reviewed this report.

Other Considerations/Implications

This report has no implications for the areas of policy, finance, Environment, privacy, safety/crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED) and no options considered. No communication plan is required.

Due Date for Follow-up and/or Project Completion

There is no further follow-up or project completion.

Public Notice

Public Notice pursuant to Section 3 of Policy No. C01-021, Public Notice Policy, is not required.

Appendix A - Fees related to Nuisance Abatement

In each community that has implemented a nuisance abatement bylaw, there has been different schedules in place to ensure the costs incurred by "abated" properties reflect the City's costs. The nuisance service call response fee and administration and overhead fee have been calculated to reflect the actual cost within each community.

Location	Police	City	Admin	Nuisance Call Fee	When Passed?
Victoria	\$200/ call (2 officers and 1 vehicle)	\$75 / hour	15%		2005
New Westminster (Vancouver)	\$250 / hour	\$100 / hour	10%		2010
Surrey			\$378 / service call	\$709 / service call	2014
North Vancouver	\$195 / call	\$50 / hr	10%		2008
Vernon			\$114 / hour		2008
Abbotsford	\$195/call Fire – as prescribed.	\$70/ hr			2003
Penticton			yes	Payroll cost + benefits, cost of vehicles, repairs to damaged City equipment.	2012

Appendix B - Review of Implementation of CFMH Best Practices

The following chart provides an overview of the CFMH Best practices that have been applied in the surveyed communities. CFMH has been implemented more widely in the United States, where it originated. This survey only includes the Canadian communities.

Location	Business License	Excessive / Repeat Nuisance Abatement	Tenant Registry	CFMH standard In bylaw	Mandatory Criminal Record Checks	Thank you to Residents	Other CF Program
New	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no
Westminster		120					
North	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no
Vancouver							
Vancouver	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
Victoria	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no
Surrey	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	no
Vernon	no	Yes	no	no	no -	no	no
Abbotsford	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Penticton	no	yes	no	no	no	no	No CFMH
Chilliwack	yes	no	no	no	no	no	Condo townhouse
Vernon	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Burnaby	yes	no	no	no.	no	no	no
Edmonton	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
Stony Plain							
Toronto (Peel)	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Ottawa	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no
Saskatoon	No	No	No	No	No	No	no

The CFMH program deals almost exclusively with multi-family housing with 4 units or more. The CFMH program uses a combination of education, support, information, security building requirements and resident engagement to achieve results. The program is not intended to provide emergency services or deal with emergent situations.

In the municipalities that have a CFMH program, the definition of a nuisance property is not defined by the scope of the CFMH program. The CFMH program may administer the bylaw as it relates to their properties, but the bylaw has implications for other service areas.

Nuisance Abatement Implementation

In reviewing information on excessive nuisance abatement, there were two somewhat different practices that had been implemented.

New Westminster and Surrey -3 or more nuisance service calls within a 12 month period related to abatement of nuisance conduct, activity or condition. Once implemented, the service call fee is

implemented for 24 months. 60 day remediation period provided following the warning letter which outlines the requested remediation. New Westminster has had up to 20 properties "on abatement". Calls are monitored monthly and other steps are generally taken prior to the imposition of the service fee.

Vernon, Abbotsford, Penticton – Good Neighbor bylaw specifies if more than 1 nuisance service call within a 24 hour period or more than 3 nuisance service calls within a 12 month period with response by RCMP, bylaw Enforcement officer or other city official. Service fee implemented for 12 months.

While the thresholds for inclusion in the abatement program are low, the program managers have cautioned that this program was never intended to be generally applicable to all properties that meet the threshold. All communities that have nuisance abatement have mentioned that the program is used as a last resort after numerous other attempts to encourage the property owners to address the problems have been unsuccessful. The abatement program is not conducive to good business relations and is used as a punitive measure once all other avenues have been exhausted.

Other communities that were reviewed include Winnipeg, Mission, Prince Albert, Regina, Calgary and Edmonton. None of these bylaws included provision for repeat emergency service, although there was provision for addressing nuisance problems.

APPENDIX C - Nuisance Property calls to Saskatoon Police related to Multi-family Accommodation

One of the effects noticed over the past 5 years that the CFMH program has existed in Saskatoon has been a concentration of high calls to a few addresses. In the past year, there have been several addresses that tallied very high calls to Saskatoon Police. In 2014, there were 2 locations providing rental/ temporary housing that accounted for over 2000 calls for service to Police. There were 3 additional rental properties that each had between 200 - 250 calls for service in 2014. We have noted over the past year, that the disruption in management at one company that is in the rental apartment market accounted for an increase of 370 additional calls for service at 4 of their sites. If the 20 rental property addresses with the most calls in 2014 were tallied, they account for 5000 calls for service.

Over the past five years, the CFMH program has been able to work with landlords to address some of the problems at their addresses. Many of the landlords that were identified as having high calls in 2010 and have chosen to work with the CFMH program have seen much lower calls in 2014. Properties that have been involved with the CFMH program for a number of years show remarkable improvement in their calls for service.