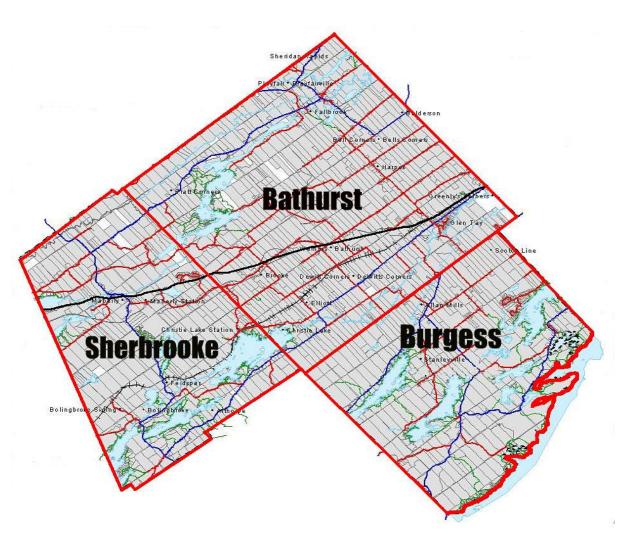


# TAY VALLEY TOWNSHIP Police Services Board

2019 & 2020 Annual Report





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# 2019 & 2020 Annual Report – Overview

## **Overview**

The Tay Valley Police Services Board's "Protocol for Sharing Information" requires the Board to provide an annual report to Council in April of the following year for information.

## 2019 & 2020 Annual Report – Business Plan

#### **Business Plan**

The Tay Valley Police Services Board is required under Ontario Regulation 3/99 (Adequacy and Effectiveness of Police Services) to prepare a Business Plan. Up until 2017 the Board approved its own plan. With pending changes to the Police Services Act over the last couple of years, instead of adopting its own Business Plan the Board has provided input into the OPP three-year strategic plans. The current plan is in place for the years 2020-2022. A copy of the OPP Strategic Plan is available at the Municipal Office or can be viewed on the Township's website.

#### **Ontario Provincial Police Strategic Plan**

The Ontario Provincial Police 2020-2022 Strategic Plan provides overall direction as the OPP evolve and modernize the policing services delivered to Ontario's communities. The OPP will continue to work on three strategic priorities: Our People, Our Work, Our Community.

#### **Strategic Priorities**

Our People: We will strive to support all members in achieving their professional and personal best.

*Our Work:* We will empower our members to ensure the best possible policing services are delivered to Ontarians.

Our Community: We will partner and build relationships with a shared vision for safety and well-being.

## 2019 & 2020 Annual Report – Protocols

#### **Protocols**

The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services has guidelines and has provided training sessions to Section 10 Boards in Ontario with respect to the roles and responsibilities of Boards under the Police Services Act and Regulations and has recommended that the Boards in conjunction with the OPP Detachment or Regional Headquarters define their relationships, responsibilities and expectations in formal written protocols. In areas where OPP detachments serve a number of Police Services Boards, the Ministry has recommended the development of standard protocols.

To date the Tay Valley Police Services Board has adopted a total of 9 protocols:

- 1. Use and Deployment of the Electronic Speed Sign
- 2. Implementation of a Three Year Business Plan
- 3. Monitoring the Performance of the Detachment Commander
- 4. Receiving of Regular Reports on Disclosures and Decisions
- 5. Administration of Complaints
- 6. Reporting of Major Incidents
- 7. Sharing of Information
- 8. Participation in OPP Business Plans
- 9. Selection of the Detachment Commander

In addition, the Board has developed four policies:

- 1. Records Management
- 2. Media Relations and Dissemination of Information
- 3. Remuneration and Personal Expenses
- 4. Objectives and Priorities for Police Services

# 2019 & 2020 Annual Report – Board Appointments

#### **Board Appointments**

As per Section 27 of the *Police Services Act*, there shall be a police services board for every municipality that maintains a police force.

The board of a municipality whose population does not exceed 25,000 shall consist of the head of the municipal council or, if the head chooses not to be a member of the board, another member of the council appointed by resolution of the council (Council Rep); one person appointed by resolution of the council, who is neither a member of the council nor an employee of the municipality (Municipal Rep); and one person appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council (Provincial Rep).

The following persons were appointed as Members of the Tay Valley Police Services Board for the term November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 unless otherwise indicated:

a) Council Member: Brian Campbell, Reeve

b) Municipal Member: Neil Fennell

c) Provincial Member: Vacant

The Provincial Member has remained vacant for the last few years as the Province anticipated that the changes to the Police Services Act and subsequent regulations would have been in place by now, and therefore have not made efforts to replace this position.

## 2019 & 2020 Annual Report – Consultation Activities

#### **Consultation Activities**

#### Lanark County Association of Police Services Boards

The Board continues to be involved with the Lanark County Association of Police Services Boards. This group is seen as an essential tool in both training and maximizing purchasing power. This group is not a legal binding group but a cooperative forum for discussion among Lanark County Police Services Boards and Community Policing Advisory Committees on common issues. The Joint Board meets on a quarterly basis but has struggled to do so in 2020 and into 2021 due to the pandemic.

#### Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB)

The Board is a member of the OAPSB. Through this membership the Board receives regular updates on legislation, practices and procedures. Training is also provided at an Annual Conference.

By virtue of the Tay Valley Police Services Board membership with the OAPSB, this membership gives the Board a forum to cause resolutions to both Parliamentary law makers and other Statutes that require change or updates.

#### Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB) - Zone 2

The Board is also a member of the OAPSB Zone 2. Through this membership the Board receives regular updates on legislation, practices, procedures and training.

Ontario Regulation 3/99, the Police Adequacy and Effectiveness Regulation requires ongoing training in order to provide Police Service Boards the structure and tools they need to ensure delivery of adequate and effective policing services. Attendance at these sessions is important in order to obtain new information and to interact with other Boards in Eastern Ontario.

Tay Valley's Police Services Board Chair was also the Chair of Zone 2 in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.

## 2019 & 2020 Annual Report – Policing Contract

#### **Policing Contract**

The previous OPP Policing Contract with the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services commenced in 2015 and expired at the end of 2019. It was the first contract under the new OPP Costing Model and Process. A current Contract was then adopted by Council for a period of six years from 2020 to 2025. The new Contract resulted in a savings for policing in the 2020 budget of \$16,909 in 2020 from what was budgeted in 2019.

#### **OPP Traffic Initiatives for 2019 & 2020**

Previous to 2016, the Board and Detachment Commander identified areas for increased traffic enforcement in order to reduce distracted driving and aggressive driving, which includes but is not limited to failing to stop for stop signs, speeding and following too close. In 2016 the Board discussed the value of continuing to receive the traffic initiative updates. The Board no longer saw the purpose of these statistics as there have been no issues in these areas for a number of years and therefore removed this item from their Agendas. Instead, the electronic speed sign has been used to monitor areas and based on the results, the OPP are providing targeted enforcement.

Specifically, in 2019 the speed sign was deployed on the Otty Lake Side Road as the road was reconstructed in 2018 and the speed limit reduced. The sign served as a reminder to drivers of the change in speed. The sign was also deployed on the Bolingbroke Road near the ABC Hall for most of the year at the request of Council following a delegation. The speed sign data did not indicate the requirement to reduce the speed, so the Board put together a package for the County to look at other options.

In late 2019 and early 2020 enforcement and statistics were collected for the Fallbrooke Road in Fallbrooke and then again from Keays Road to Balderson. The Board put a package together for the County with options to address the speeding concerns in both sections.

# 2019 & 2020 Annual Report – 2019 & 2020 Accomplishments

#### **2019 Accomplishments**

- Held the annual soccer game and BBQ with the OPP and students at Glen Tay Public School
- Held a Community Information Session on Crime Prevention

#### **2020 Accomplishments**

Participate in discussions and sessions regarding changes to the Police Services Act

2019 & 2020 Annual Report – 2021 Priorities

## **2021 Priorities**

- Participate in discussions and sessions regarding changes to the Police Services Act
- Work with the Ministry and the other local municipalities in Lanark County to establish either one or two Detachment Police Services Boards.

## 2019 & 2020 Annual Report - Conclusion

#### Conclusion

On an ongoing basis and for the past 18 years the Tay Valley Police Services Board has focused on establishing an enforceable infrastructure through the development of protocols and reporting mechanisms that would foster greater transparency and accountability between the police, the police services board and the community. We remain committed to these primary goals alongside our Business Plan commitments. Our goal has been to provide the best community policing standards in our County.

The next couple of years will prove challenging as the Province requires police services to move towards establishing detachment boards versus local municipal boards. It is yet to be seen how the detachment board will liaise back and forth with the municipality.

All of which is respectfully submitted to Council by:

The Tay Valley Police Services Board:
Chair Neil Fennell, Municipal Appointee
Brian Campbell, Council Appointee
Vacant, Provincial Appointee

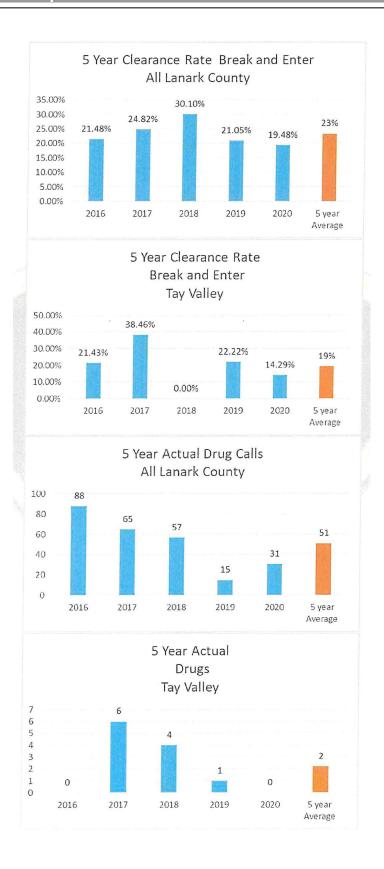
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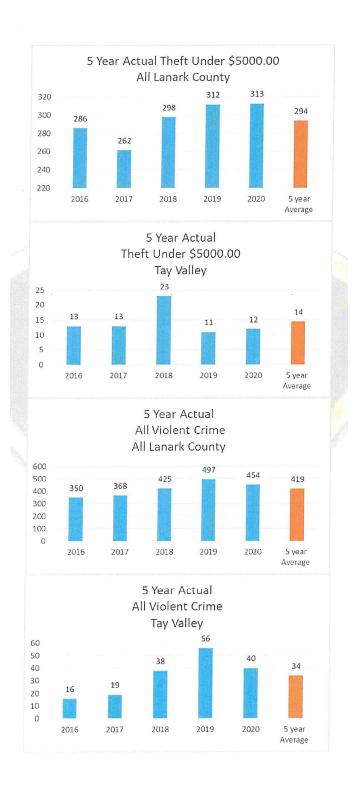
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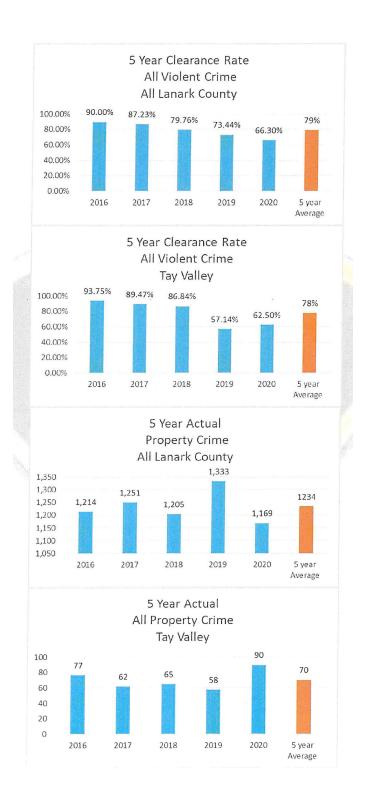




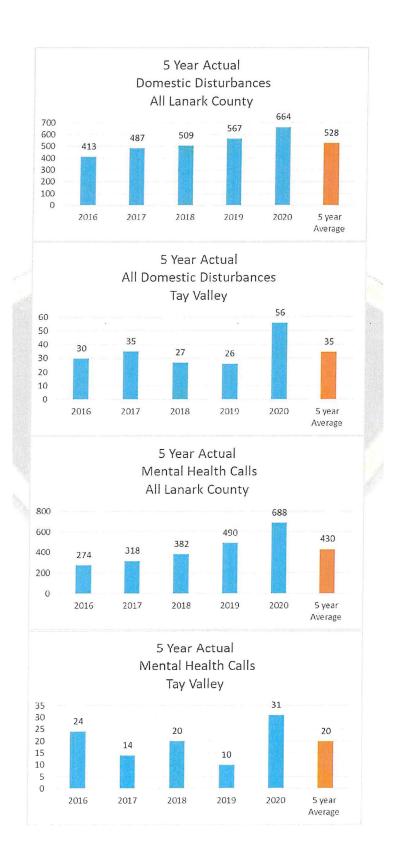












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