

2023

CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT



VISION STATEMENT

“PARTNERS IN OUR COMMUNITY”

MISSION STATEMENT

**“BUILDING A SAFER COMMUNITY
THROUGH QUALITY SERVICE AND
EXCEPTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS”**

CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

It is our pleasure to present the 2023 Annual Report for the Cornwallis Police Board. The Board's most important functions are to provide civilian oversight and governance of the Department and work with the Chief Constable to ensure our communities are safe and secure.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

The 2023 year brought some changes for the Cornwallis Police Board, but status quo for the Municipality in general as far as crime and traffic violations are concerned. No large increases of either to be noted.

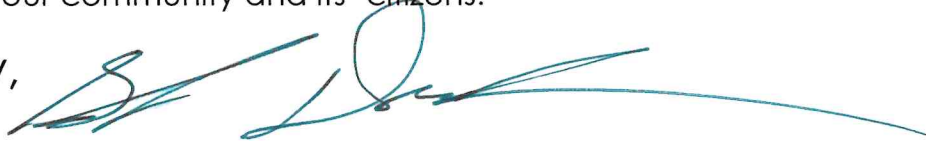
We thank outgoing Board Member Reg Atkinson for his dedicated service as a provincial appointee of the RM of Cornwallis Police Board. We wish him all the best in his retirement and continued support as a member of the RM community. Hopefully we will have a provincial appointee soon to try to fill the place of Reg and his plethora of knowledge.

I would like to thank Chief Constable Drader on behalf of the entire Board for his unwavering dedication to service as our member of the RM of Cornwallis Police Service. We have had a long road of administrative challenges and Chief Constable Drader has continued his impressive record of work by providing police presence and enforcing all municipal bylaws and statutes in the RM of Cornwallis.

The Police Board and the RM of Cornwallis have been actively looking for another staff member to begin training for the role of constable. It is a special type of person required to assist Darwin and all the public relations that are required of such a constable in the RM.

Thank you to everyone for your patience and especially Chief Constable Drader for his unwavering continued diligence in providing outstanding police services and safety for our community and its' citizens.

Yours truly,



Shane Drohan, Chairman
Cornwallis Police Board

1 POLICE BOARD

The Cornwallis Police Board remained the same for the year 2023.

Chair – Shane Drohan (Council Member)

Member – Kimberely Kooistra (Community Member)

Member – Reg Atkinson (Provincial Member)

2 STRATEGIC PLAN

The Board completed an update to the strategic plan in 2020 and continues to monitor progress.

3 FINANCIAL PLAN

The financial plan for the Cornwallis Police Department is located under "Appendix A".

Board Member Remuneration

	Honorarium	Mileage	Total
Kim Kooistra	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reg Atkinson	0.00	0.00	0.00
Shane Drohan	0.00	0.00	0.00

4 BOARD MEETINGS

The Board held four meetings in 2023; September 21st, October 12th, November 9th, and December 14th, 2023.

The meeting minutes are attached "Appendix B".

5 POLICE CHIEF ANNUAL REPORT

The Chief Constable Darwin Drader has outlined his work and reported on the year's activities.

The Chief's annual report is attached "Appendix C".

Appendix A

RM of Cornwallis Police Services Unaudited Financial Report Year Ending December 31, 2023

Account No.	Account Name	Budget	Actual
REVENUES			
10-0820-3212	POLICING FINES	22,500	64,083
10-0910-3605	MPE ENHANCED ENFORCEMENT	5,000	20,609
	Total Revenue	27,500	84,691
EXPENDITURES			
10-2100-4111	SALARY/WAGES	97,000	101,574
10-2100-4181	CPP - EMPLOYER	4,200	2,584
10-2100-4182	EI - EMPLOYER	1,650	984
10-2100-4183	PENSION - EMPLOYER	6,600	5,023
10-2100-4184	GROUP INSURANCE - EMPLOYER	150	163
10-2100-4185	DISABILITY INSURANCE - EMPLOYER	350	873
10-2100-4186	RETAIL SALES TAX - EMPLOYER	25	22
10-2100-4187	HEALTH & DENTAL	1,600	1,998
10-2100-4189	WORKERS' COMPENSATION	775	343
10-2100-4195	TRAINING, EDUCATION, & SEMINARS	700	1,112
10-2100-4173	RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE		0
10-2100-4223	INSURANCE -AUTOMOTIVE	1,225	1,754
10-2100-4237	SOFTWARE SUPPORT	400	0
10-2100-4270	REPAIRS & MAINT - EQUIPMENT	3,250	1,946
10-2100-4271	REPAIRS & MAINT - VEHICLES	2,850	17,135
10-2100-4310	TELEPHONE	1,100	902
10-2100-4415	MEALS	25	229
10-2100-4470	STATIONERY & SUPPLIES	2,150	1,052
10-2100-4485	EQUIPMENT	550	5,445
10-2100-4486	EQUIPMENT - CPF GRANT	5,800	0
10-2100-4490	FUEL	19,600	11,316
10-2110-4160	POLICE BOARD HONOURARIUMS		0
10-2110-4415	MEALS		0
10-2110-4416	MILEAGE & TRAVEL		647
	Total Expenses	150,000	155,102
	Total Expenditures Over Revenue	122,500	70,410



**Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Police Board
September 21, 2023 @ 5:00 PM
Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council Chambers
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Chair Shane Drohan, Chief Constable Darwin Drader, Police Board Members: Reginald Atkinson, and Kimberley Kooistra, and Administration Jordan Willner.

1. Call to Order

Chair Drohan called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. New Members of the Police Board Orientation

1. Police Board Oath of Office
2. Police Board Conflict of Interest
3. Police Board Code of Ethical Conduct

Andrew Minor, Executive Director of The Manitoba Police Board Commission provided an orientation and resources to the Board Members.

3. Approval of Minutes – September 12, 2022

Moved: Board Member Atkinson, Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

Be it resolved that the Police Board approve the Minutes of September 12, 2022 as circulated.

Carried

4. Approval of Agenda

Moved: Board Member Kooistra, Seconded: Board Member Atkinson

Be it resolved that the Police Board adopt the agenda for September 21, 2023 with approval of New Business item 5.3 being “Acknowledgement of March 23, 2023 Meeting”.

Carried

5. New Business

5.1 2022 Cornwallis Police Board Annual Report

Moved: Board Member Atkinson, Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

Be it resolved that the Police Board accept the 2022 Cornwallis Police Board Annual Report.

Carried

5.2 2023 Planned Police Board Meetings and Public Notice

Moved: Board Member Kooistra, Seconded: Board Member Atkinson

Be it resolved that the Police Board establish the following dates for 2023 Meetings and direct administration to post them on the RM of Cornwallis website under the Cornwallis Police Board – Meetings Dates webpage:

October 12, 2023 @ 5:00 PM; November 9, 2023 @ 5:00 PM; and December 14, 2023 @ 5:00 PM.

Carried

5.3 Acknowledgement of March 23, 2023 Meeting

Moved: Board Member Kooistra, Seconded: Board Member Atkinson

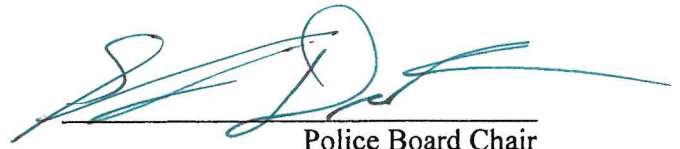
Be it resolved the Police Board acknowledge an ad hoc meeting on March 23, 2023 with the Rivers Police Board regarding the exploratory discussions of amalgamation of Police Boards.

Carried

6. Adjournment

The Police Board meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM by Board Member Kooistra.

Next Meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2023.

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Police Board Chair



**Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Police Board
October 12, 2023 @ 5:00 PM
Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council Chambers
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Chair Shane Drohan, Chief Constable Darwin Drader, Police Board Member Kooistra, and Administration Jordan Willner.

Absent with regrets: Police Board Member Reginald Atkinson

1. Call to Order

Chair Drohan called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. Approval of Minutes – September 21, 2023

Moved: Board Member Kooistra, Seconded: Chair Drohan

Be it resolved that the Police Board approve the Minutes of September 21, 2023 as circulated.

Carried

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved: Board Member Kooistra, Seconded: Chair Drohan

Be it resolved that the Police Board adopt the agenda for October 12, 2023 as presented.

Carried

4. New Business

4.1 Review of Monthly Police Statistics and Report (January – September 2023)

Chief Constable Drader presented and explained the monthly Police Statistic and Report for the months of January to September 2023.

Moved: Board Member Kooistra, Seconded: Chair Drohan

Be it resolved that the Police Board accept the following Monthly Police Statistics and Reports:

January 2023, February 2023, March 2023, April 2023, May 2023, June 2023, July 2023, August 2023, and September 2023.

Carried

4.2 Community Policing Priorities and Strategic Plan for 2024 - 2026

Moved: Board Member Kooistra, Seconded: Chair Drohan

Be it resolved that the Police Board adopt the Community Policing Priorities and Strategic Plan for 2024-2026 as presented with the request it be placed on the RM of Cornwallis website.

Carried

4.3 Financial Review to September 2023 and 2023 Operating Budget

Moved: Chair Drohan, Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

Be it resolved the Police Board adopt the 2023 Operating Budget and accept the Financial Statement to September 30, 2023.

Carried

4.4 Operating and Capital Needs for 2024

The Police Board discussed 2024 capital and operational needs with an importance placed on regionalization and the budgetary implications.

4.5 Manitoba Association of Chief of Police Convention

The Chief Constable explained the Convention and the Police Board provided their expectations for a follow up report from the October 24, 2023 Convention.

4.6 Regionalization of Police Boards

The Police Board's plan is to continue discussions on regionalized that was started earlier in 2023.

4.7 Community Survey

The Police Board's intention is to develop one over 23/24 for the survey to be mailed out with the RM of Cornwallis's 2024 Combined Education and Property Tax Bills.

4.8 Correspondence – Canadian Forces Base Shilo – Letter of Appreciation

The Police Board were presented a letter of appreciation shown to Chief Constable Drader.

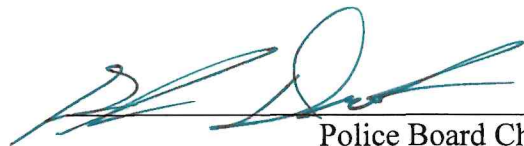
4.9 Human Resources

The Police Board held confidential personnel discussions.

5. Adjournment

The Police Board meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM by Board Member Kooistra.

Next Meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2023.


Police Board Chair

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

November 9, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chair Shane Drohan, Police Board Member Reg Atkinson; Police Board Member Kim Kooistra; Chief Constable Darwin Drader; Administration (Interim) Marlene Biles. Recording Secretary: Sabrina Slack

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Drohan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 12, 2023

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Chair Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board approve the minutes of October 12, 2023 as circulated.

CARRIED 2-0

Police Board Member Atkinson abstained due to not being present at the last meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Chair Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board adopt the Agenda for November 9, 2023 as circulated.

CARRIED 3-0

4. NEW BUSINESS

Review of Community Policing Priorities and Strategic Plan tabled to the December 2023 Board meeting.

4.1 Monthly Review of Police Statistics and Report

Chief Constable Drader presented and explained the monthly Police Statistics and Report for October, 2023.

Moved: Board Member Atkinson; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Police Board accept the October Monthly Police Statistics and Report as presented. CARRIED 3-0

4.2 Financial Review to October 2023

Tabled to the December 2023 Board Meeting

4.3 Police Board Meeting Broadcasts

The Board discussed having the minutes and agenda placed on the Municipal website.

4.4 Municipal By-law Fees and Charges

Moved: Board Member Atkinson; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal By-law Fees and Charges be tabled to the January 2024 Board Meeting. CARRIED 3-0

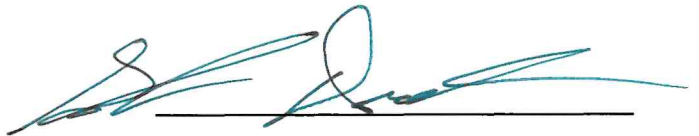
4.5 Human Resources

No decision was recorded.

ADJOURN

The Police Board meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM by Board Member Kooistra.

Next scheduled meeting: December 14, 2023 at 5:00 PM



Police Board Chair

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

December 14, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chair Shane Drohan, Police Board Member Reg Atkinson, Police Board Member Kim Kooistra; Chief Constable Darwin Drader; Administration (Interim) Marlene Biles.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Drohan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 9, 2023

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Board member Atkinson

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board approve the minutes of November 9, 2023 as prepared by M. Biles, Interim CAO, as amended.

CARRIED 3-0

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved: Board Member Atkinson; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board adopt the Agenda for December 14, 2023 as circulated with the addition of the request from Chief Constable D. Drader to review correspondence from Chief Schwartz; and that 2024 police budget discussion be added.

CARRIED 3-0

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Justice Minister Wiebe

Chair Drohan had received confirmation of the scheduling of a TEAMS meeting with the Justice Minister on December 21, 2023 at 10:20AM, and requested the Board to put forward any questions that they would like to ask. The Board discussed capital expenses and the Provincial changes to summary convictions and impacts to bylaws. Chair Drohan will send links to the Board Members to attend if they can.

4.2 Review of Community Policing Priorities and Strategic Plan for 2024 – 2026 (Working Document)

4.3 Review of Monthly Police Statistics and Report

There was no report for the month of November, 2023.

4.4 Financial Review to November 2023

Board Member Atkinson mentioned that the Municipality's CAO used to prepare the police budgets for the Police Board and the 2023 budget appears like it will balance out.

Moved: Board Member Atkinson; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED that the financial review to November 30, 2023 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED 3-0

4.5 Police Board Meeting Broadcasts

The Board discussed having the minutes and agenda placed on the Municipal website.

4.6 Municipal By-law Fees and Charges

Moved: Board Member Atkinson; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chief Constable D. Drader prioritize three by-laws to be brought forward for review by the Board.

CARRIED 3-0

4.7 Human Resources

A copy of the job description for the Chief Constable is needed for evaluation purposes.

2024 Meeting Dates

The Board discussed the first two dates for Police Board meetings in 2024 as being:

January 18, 2024 at 5:00 PM

February 15, 2024 at 5:00 PM

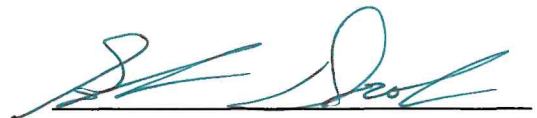
and that the remainder of 2024 meeting dates would be reviewed at the January 2024 Board meeting.

ADJOURN

The Police Board meeting was adjourned at 6:53 PM by Board Member Atkinson.

Boad Member Kooistra seconded.

Next scheduled meeting: January 18, 2024 at 5:00 PM



Police Board Chair



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Chief's 2023 Annual Report

OVERVIEW:

Overall, 2023 was a good year with minor changes. On 15th of April 2023, our part-time officer, Cst Thiessen resigned from the position as he had been hired by the Estevan City Police Service. His assistance was greatly appreciated and we thank him for his service to the RM of Cornwallis.

For the most part, the year was quite uneventful as there were no serious incidents such as flooding, uncontrollable fires or major COVID situations. The following report will outline some of my work during the 2023 year.

COMPLAINTS:

During the 2023 year, the service handled 463 complaints. The highest percentage of calls (complaints and inquiries) were taken by myself. Cst Thiessen assisted with call and traffic duties until his departure in April.

Over the past 23 years of my service to the RM, I continuously receive incoming complaints which occur while on days off, in the middle of the night and while on leave. I continue to willingly accept these calls and try to deal with them in a prompt and professional manner as I feel that the residents of the RM of Cornwallis deserve to have their complaints/inquiries answered in a timely manner. These phone calls were all dealt with on my own personal time.

A breakdown of the monthly complaints are as follows:

MONTH	# COMPLAINTS
January	31
February	21
March	43
April	42
May	49
June	41

MONTH	# COMPLAINTS
July	31
August	36
September	40
October	56
November	52
December	21

TICKETS:

The 2023 year was still productive in the case of traffic enforcement and ticket issuance consisted of 696 tickets. The service still continued to deal with driving complaints as well as violations under the various provincial statutes such as ORV Act, Trespass Act, Wildlife Act, Liquor, Gaming and Cannabis Control Act. A monthly breakdown of the tickets are as follows:

MONTH	TICKETS		
	Total	HTA	Other
January	80	80	
February	31	27	4
March	61	61	
April	55	55	
May	34	34	
June	71	71	

MONTH	TICKETS		
	Total	HTA	Other
July	69	65	4
August	29	28	1
September	84	84	
October	61	60	1
November	86	79	7
December	35	32	3

POLICE RADIO SYSTEM (Dispatch):

Commencing at the later part of 2021 into 2022, I had discussions with Chief Lon Schwartz in relation to me getting access to the Rivers Police Dispatch radio channel with respect to "status keeping" and "officer safety." This meant having contact with BPS Communications and each time I would be off with a violator or off at a call, Dispatch would set a timer and then check on my welfare as the timer would time out. Further, if a major incident were to occur, then I would have radio access that would reduce or eliminate issues during such an incident.

Once an agreement had been reached between, Brandon Communications Center, Rivers Police Service and myself, Bell Mobility Radio was finally able to have the radios programmed to complete the process. In the later part of 2023, I finally had radio communications with Brandon 911 Dispatch. The partnership worked quite well.

As a recap, a majority of police agencies in Manitoba have converted over to the new encrypted radio system. My radio has a Zone 1 which currently has a Rivers Police-

Cornwallis talk channel. There is also a Zone 2 which is the Provincial Ops zone. This zone has sixteen Inter-Agency (IAGE) channels. These channels will have access to other approved users for the use during inter-agency operations as well as EMO channels. The channels allow for agencies to work projects together without having to lend or borrow radios.

I have had the opportunity to utilize the Zone 2 Prov OPS channels over the past couple of years. I communicated with Manitoba Conservation on occasion as well as assisted Rivers Police with the execution of a search warrant and arrest of a child sex offender. I was able to utilize one of the IAGE channels which worked very well. Recently I assisted with the Law Enforcement Torch Run Truck Convoy. All the agencies (six different agencies) involved used the IAGE channel which worked extremely well. The change over to the new system has proven to be a beneficial endeavor.

Also, initially when setting up the radio system, I approached the Military Police to attempt to get a channel with their dispatcher. The Military COMMS Squadron denied the request so I proceeded with the present channels. In the later part of 2022, I had a member of the COMMS Squadron approach me and inquire about having the RM put onto the Military Police Dispatch channel. I have agreed and the one aspect of the new system is that the radios can be programmed remotely. I am currently waiting for the actual connections to occur.

AUTOMATED LICENCE PLATE READER (ALPR):

The Automated Licence Plate Reader (ALPR) has continued to be a valuable tool in trying to keep the RM's roads safe for the motoring public by taking problematic drivers and uninsured vehicles off the road. Since the ALPR was made operational, I have stopped and charged violators for charges such as driving without valid vehicle liability insurance, driving while suspended/disqualified and driving without a valid driver's licence as well as other associated violations such as displaying the incorrect plates.

I attempted to acquire the statistics from Genetec Security Systems who owns the operating program for the ALPR. I was initially looking for the total number of "reads" for the 2023 year as well as the total number of "hits" for the year. When the ALPR

registers a "hit" it is usually for one or a combination of three reasons. The "hits" are usually for: (1) "unregistered" meaning that the vehicle is unregistered and uninsured; (2) "inactive" meaning that the registered owner has an inactive or expired driver's licence; and (3) "suspended" meaning that the registered owner is a suspended driver. In the case of a suspended driver, normally the ALPR will register a double "hit" for both suspended and inactive.

Once a "hit" has been registered, the hit has to be cleared by either accepting the read by checking "enforcement" which means ticket(s) were issued. The other option is by "rejecting" the read and then a reason has to be indicated. The options for rejection are; (1) misread; (2) duplicate read; (3) already processed; and (4) other meaning that in the case of an unregistered vehicle, the insurance has been very recently renewed and not on the system at the time of the stop or in the case of a suspended driver, someone other than the suspended person is driving.

As I was unable to acquire the total number of reads in the year, I can state with confidence that I obtain anywhere from 350 to 1600 reads in a shift. During the 2023 year, I stopped vehicles for 155 "hits" which included: (1) 82 uninsured vehicle; (2) 21 suspended drivers; and (3) 52 unlicensed drivers. The ALPR unit has been functioning extremely well and has continued to be a very valuable tool that MPI was very kind to provide for the RM.

SPEED TRAILER WITH VARIABLE MESSAGE BOARD:

The RM's Speed trailer was used for approximately six months of the year. At the request from the RM of Elton, the trailer was set up on Road 65N at the RM office to monitor vehicles entering and leaving the community of Forrest. Then the trailer was set up on Shilo Road at Philip Street in the community of Sprucewoods. The results of the operations were as follows (*see attached copies of reports for details*):

(1)	Dates: 2023 April 27 to 2023 July 11		Location: Road 65N @ 109000 Block - E/B	
Total Vehicle Count		Number of Speed Limit Violations	Number of Vehicles Respecting Limit	Number of Vehicles Inside Tolerated Range
17,741		7,426	10,315	3,879

(2)	Dates: 2023 July 11 to 2023 Sept 24		Location: Road 65N @ 109000 Block - W/B	
Total Vehicle Count		Number of Speed Limit Violations	Number of Vehicles Respecting Limit	Number of Vehicles Inside Tolerated Range
10,098		2,991	7,107	1,683

(3)	Dates: 2023 Oct 09 to 2023 Oct 27		Location: Road Shilo Road @ Philip St. – E/B	
Total Vehicle Count		Number of Speed Limit Violations	Number of Vehicles Respecting Limit	Number of Vehicles Inside Tolerated Range
20,984		7,670	13,314	6,746

First, the trailer monitored vehicles for a three month period monitoring vehicles traveling east off of Highway 10. There were a total of 17,741 reads with 7,426 violators that exceeded the posted 50 km/h speed zone. The trailer was then set up facing the opposite direction checking westbound vehicles coming into the community from the east. There were 10, 098 vehicles clocked with 2,991 vehicles exceeding the posted 50 km/h speed zone. Finally. The trailer was set up in the Sprucewoods community for 20 days and monitored vehicles traveling east on Shilo Road heading into CFB Shilo. There were 20,984 reads with 7,670 vehicles exceeding the posted 50 km/h speed zone. Overall, the speed trailer has been put to good use and is operating quite well.

RADAR SPEED SIGN:

Over the past several of years, I had been liaising with MPI in an attempt to see if they would donate a stationary radar speed sign to the RM. These speed signs are identical to the signs posted on each side of the community of Forrest on Highway 10 in the RM of Elton, the Town of Souris and in the City of Brandon. I have been advised that there is a new application process that I am attempting to complete to acquire one or two signs for Sprucewoods.

CRIMINAL PROPERTY FORFEITURE:

Over the past several years I have applied to the Criminal Property Forfeiture branch for funding for equipment that I felt was required. Ove the years I have been successful at acquiring funding for various equipment. In 2023, I applied for funding to purchase a new hand-held radar unit, however once it had been approved, purchasing the unit was impractical. Around the same time, the current Laser unit malfunctioned. As it

was around the same cost quoted for the radar unit, a new Laser instrument was purchased.

MANITOBA PUBLIC INSURANCE ENHANCED ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM FUNDING:

Another initiative that I have applied for on a regular basis is the MPI Enhanced Enforcement Program. Over the past few years, I have applied to MPI for funding for this important initiative that works for keeping Manitoba roads safe by targeting erratic and poor driving habits. The program pays for police officers to work overtime with the overtime funding being provided by MPI. In essence, the RM has an officer on duty and paid for by MPI.

In 2021 I applied for \$10,000 which was approved and I used it to the full. In 2022, I applied for \$15,000. My request was accepted and I was approved for \$17,000 which was used again to the full. In 2023 I applied for \$20,000 which was approved and again, I was able to use up all the funding approved by MPI.

REGIONALIZATION OF POLICE SERVICES:

A few years ago the Province conducted a review of the Police Service Act and some of the recommendations made involved in the dissolving of smaller agencies which includes the RM of Cornwallis Police. As mentioned in last year's report, I had been liaising with Chief Schwartz and discussing the possibility of forming a regional police force. I am sad to report that the negotiations seem to have come to an impasse, therefore the possibility of a regionalized police service for the Westman area has come to an end.

This concludes the 2023 Annual Report. I hope that it meets your approval. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,



Darwin P. Drader
Chief Constable