

2024

CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT



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It is our pleasure to present the Board's 2024 annual report for the Rural Municipality of 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 2024 brought little change for the Police Board and status quo for the Rural Municipality of Cornwallis in general as far as crime and traffic violations are concerned. No large increases of either to be noted.

We hoped for the Province to appoint the required Provincial Board Member to our Police Board as the position was vacant for all of 2024 and most of 2023. Despite the challenge of the vacant position, the Board continued to successfully provide the necessary oversight to our Chief Constable.

I would like to thank Chief Constable Drader on behalf of the entire Board and the Municipality for his unwavering dedication to service as our member of the RM of Cornwallis Police Service. We had continued administrative challenges and Chief Constable Drader has continued his impressive record of work by providing police presence and enforcing all municipal bylaws and statutes, maintaining safety on our roadways, and addressing public inquiries and concerns in the RM of Cornwallis.

The Police Board began to address another staff member to begin training for the role of constable and next year this requires additional discussion and funding from the Municipality. 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.

We thank the Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council for their continued support and appropriate funding for the operations of the Cornwallis Police Service. Also, I would like to thank Interim CAO Holly Krysko for her support as she completed the agenda, minutes, annual report, and meeting attendance – we appreciate her good work for the Police Board.

In closing, thank you to everyone for your patience in 2025 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

VISION STATEMENT

“PARTNERS IN OUR COMMUNITY”

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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1 POLICE BOARD

The Cornwallis Police Board remained the same for the year 2024.

Chair – Shane Drohan (Council Member)

Member – Kimberely Kooistra (Community Member)

Member – VACANT (Provincial Member)

2 STRATEGIC PLAN

The Board continued to follow and monitor its strategic plan which was updated last in 2020.

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
Shane Drohan	0.00	0.00	0.00

4 BOARD MEETINGS

The Board held four meetings in 2024; March 26th, September 26th, October 31st, and December 5th, 2024.

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 Income Statement

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End date: 2024-12-31

Account Number		Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues				
Fines Revenue				
10-0820-3212	Policing Fines	50,000.00	38,996.54	-11,003.46
10-0910-3605	MPI Enhanced Enforcement	25,000.00	14,175.00	-10,825.00
Total Revenues:		75,000.00	53,171.54	-21,828.46
Expenditures				
Police Expenditures				
10-2100-4111	Police:Salary / Wages	130,000.00	87,292.50	42,707.50
10-2100-4170	Vacation Pay	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00
10-2100-4181	Police:CPP - Employer	4,800.00	4,055.50	744.50
10-2100-4182	Police:EI - Employer	1,800.00	1,468.77	331.23
10-2100-4183	Police:Pension - Employer	5,911.00	6,650.23	-739.23
10-2100-4184	Police:Group Insurance - Em	150.00	116.00	34.00
10-2100-4185	Police:Disability Insurance -	0.00	5.04	-5.04
10-2100-4186	Police:Retail Sales Tax - Emp	25.00	6.59	18.41
10-2100-4187	Health & Dental	4,827.00	1,993.48	2,833.52
10-2100-4189	Police:Workers' Compensatio	775.00	0.00	775.00
10-2100-4195	Police:Training, Education, S	1,200.00	425.00	775.00
10-2100-4223	Police:Insurance - Automotiv	1,800.00	1,663.00	137.00
10-2100-4270	Police:Repairs & Maint. - Equ	3,000.00	901.35	2,098.65
10-2100-4271	Police:Repairs & Maint. - Veh	5,000.00	15,790.32	-10,790.32
10-2100-4310	Police:Telephone	1,100.00	1,318.77	-218.77
10-2100-4415	Police:Meals	350.00	28.35	321.65
10-2100-4470	Police:Stationery & Supplies	1,200.00	1,986.40	-786.40
10-2100-4485	Police:Equipment	4,000.00	1,467.72	2,532.28
10-2100-4490	Police:Fuel	20,000.00	9,708.37	10,291.63
10-2110-4160	Police Board Honourariums	600.00	0.00	600.00
10-2110-4416	Mileage & Travel	750.00	446.48	303.52
10-2100-4112	Salary/Wages MPIC	0.00	21,356.06	-21,356.06
Total Police Expenditures:		187,288.00	159,679.93	27,608.07
Net Income (Loss)		-112,288.00	-106,508.39	-49,436.53

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

March 26, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chair Shane Drohan (Municipal Member), Police Board Member Kim Kooistra (Public Member); Chief Constable Darwin Drader; Administration (Interim) Cornwallis CAO Holly Krysko.

Absent: Provincial Member

See New Business item 4.6

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Drohan called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 14, 2023

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board minutes of December 14, 2023 as prepared by M. Biles, Interim CAO, be hereby approved.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board adopt the Agenda for March 26, 2024 as presented.

CARRIED

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Budget - budget was reviewed.

Request to place an additional \$10,000 (\$6,000 US cost) to the police vehicle for the in-car camera (view of front and rear of car) and body cam.

Also wages line was reviewed to ensure correct amounts. No other changes requested as compared to Kerry's initial draft.

Should there be an amount for the member's honorarium, at least to cover the meeting mileage reimbursement. There is an amount of \$750 for mileage and travel. Committee recommends 600 be added to the budget - for a minimum of 4 meetings per year X 3 members X \$50/meeting = \$600.00.

4.2 Financial Review to December 2023

Moved: Board Member Kim Kooistra; Seconded: Board Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the financial review to December 31, 2023 be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

4.3 Provincial Board Member Reg Atkinson's Resignation.

As Reg Atkinson sent notice of his resignation in December 2023, and it has been provided to the Province to appoint a new Provincial member to the board. There is currently a vacant seat on the Board.

4.4 Teams Meeting with Justice Minister.

This was attended by Shane, Kim, and Darwin. Meeting was good and informative – information on the Provincial Enforcement Act which the Municipality will need to enact – along with revision of some of the By-Laws.

4.5 Community Policing Priorities and Stat Plan

Manitoba Police Commissioner recommends that every meeting include a review of this to ensure that we are on track and the work is following. These were not available this meeting.

4.6 Review of Monthly Statistics Report for November and December 2023. Next meeting we can review the January and February 2024.

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the November and December 2023 Monthly Statistics and report be accepted as received.

CARRIED.

4.7 Minutes on Municipal Website

Practice is to begin posting approved minutes on the website. Along with meeting dates.

4.8 Police Chief Job Description

This came up to address a performance review – which is difficult without a job description. There is an original job description which has been updated a couple times. Administration (I/CAO) will try to locate this. (Darwin has had previous performance reviews.) Then once located the Board and Darwin can look to see if it requires an update.

4.9 Next Agenda Item: Purchasing of Police Vehicle

The police vehicle purchase price has been quoted and placed in the Municipality's 2024 budget. \$80,000 out of the General Reserve for vehicle equipment such as lights installed plus new truck. Kim will send Administration a quote for the vehicle. Darwin is waiting for approval from the Municipality then he plans to order.

4.10 Personnel – In Camera

4.11 Marked Police Vehicle

Kim requested to bring up an issue from a private “town hall” meeting on municipal issues. Why is our vehicle not marked? The police vehicle does have decals – just not as visible as the RCMP or City Police. Also, this assists with better traffic enforcement.

4.12 Complaints and Concerns

Also, was some meeting discussion on where public complaints/concerns get directed or answered. Do they get sent to the CAO, or Darwin, or a Board Member, or come to a meeting. Process is to send these to Darwin and if necessary can involve the Board. Board member Kim had complaints directed to her, and the proper process is to have these go to the Chief Constable.

4.13 Annual Member Forms

Discussion to ensure that Board members have done their criminal record check, vulnerable sector, and child abuse with RCMP. Kim has completed hers for this year, Shane has yet to do. Along with this each member must sign the Police Board Act Regulation 130/2012 form.

In-Camera:

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Board Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned to go in-camera at 6:52 pm to discuss personnel.

CARRIED

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Board Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the board end the in-camera session to reconvene into the regular meeting at 7:15 pm.

CARRIED

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

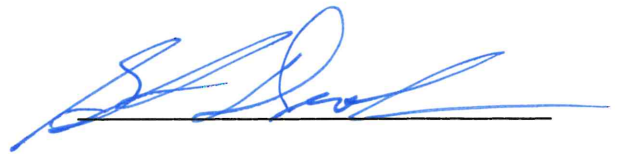
Board recommends that the employee retention incentive agreed upon by the Committee of the Whole be included in the total police expenditure 2024 budget.

CARRIED

ADJOURN

The Police Board meeting was adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Next Meeting Date: (Tentative) Next Scheduled Meeting: Thursday May 16, 2024 at 5:00 pm

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Police Board Chair Shane Drohan

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

September 26, 2024 at 4:45 p.m.

Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chair Shane Drohan (Municipal Member), Police Board Member Kim Kooistra (Public Member); Chief Constable Darwin Drader; Administration (Interim) Cornwallis CAO Holly Krysko.

Absent: Provincial Member

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Drohan called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – March 26, 2024

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board Minutes of March 26, 2024, as amended, as prepared by Holly Krysko, Interim CAO, be hereby approved.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board adopt the Agenda for September 26, 2024 as presented.

CARRIED

4. REVIEW FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Moved: Board Member Kim Kooistra; Seconded: Board Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the financial review to August 2024 with year-end projections be hereby accepted as presented.

CARRIED

5. REVIEW OF CONSTABLE MONTHLY REPORTS

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the January to May 2024 Monthly Statistics and Report, as prepared by Constable Drader, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

Some discussion on report format to compare last year's same month or over several month
- Constable to look into.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Police Vehicle Update: Currently waiting for a production order. The emergency equipment (lights, radio, cage) from the old vehicle will be transferred to the new vehicle. Then the old vehicle will become possibly a PW vehicle or a backup police vehicle.

Constable Job Description: Administration has located and board to review at the next board meeting.

In-Camera:

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Board Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned to go in-camera at 5:40 pm to discuss personnel.

CARRIED

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Board Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the board end the in-camera session to reconvene into the regular meeting at 6:05 pm.

CARRIED

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the complaint received be reviewed in detail with camera and constable response at the next board meeting.

CARRIED.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Constable has requested a quote for radio feature – status keeping, plate running, check-ins which requires City of Brandon approval.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Police Board meeting was adjourned at 6:08 PM.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday October 31, 2024 at 4:45 pm

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Police Board Chair Shane Drohan

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

October 31, 2024 at 4:45 p.m.

Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chair Shane Drohan (Municipal Member), Police Board Member Kim Kooistra (Public Member); Chief Constable Darwin Drader.

Absent: Provincial Member, Cornwallis CAO Holly Krysko

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Drohan called the meeting to order at 4:53 p.m.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – September 2024

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board Minutes of September 26, 2024, as prepared by Holly Krysko, Interim CAO, be hereby approved.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board adopt the Agenda for October 31, 2024 as presented.

CARRIED

4. REVIEW FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - none

5. REVIEW OF CONSTABLE MONTHLY REPORTS

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the June to September 2024 Monthly Statistics and Report, as prepared by Constable Drader, be accepted as presented.

CARRIED.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

None

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Add meeting dates to website
- Review constable job description at a future meeting
- The annual report is being worked on

In-Camera:

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Board Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned to go in-camera to discuss personnel.

CARRIED

Moved: Board Member Kooistra; Seconded: Board Member Drohan

BE IT RESOLVED that the board end the in-camera session to reconvene into the regular meeting.

CARRIED

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: Board Member Kooistra

BE IT RESOLVED THAT again, the complaint received be reviewed in detail with camera and constable response at the next board meeting.

CARRIED.

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Police Board meeting was adjourned at 6:08 PM.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday December 5, 2024 at 4:45 pm



Police Board Chair Shane Drohan

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

December 5, 2024 at 4:45 p.m.

Rural Municipality of Cornwallis Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chair Shane Drohan (Municipal Member), Cornwallis ICAO Holly Krysko*; Chief Constable Darwin Drader.

Absent: Board Member Kim Kooistra (Public Member)

Vacant Appointment: Provincial Board Member

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Drohan called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – October 2024

Moved: Member Drohan; Seconded: ICAO Holly Krysko

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board Minutes of October 31, 2024, as prepared by Holly Krysko, Interim CAO, be hereby approved.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: ICAO Holly Krysko

BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Board adopt the Agenda for December 5, 2024 as presented.

CARRIED

4. REVIEW FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - none

5. REVIEW OF CONSTABLE MONTHLY REPORTS - tabled

The October – November 2024 Monthly Statistics and Report by Constable Drader, were not available and are to be reviewed at the next Board Meeting.

6. COMMUNICATIONS - none

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. In-Camera Personnel – In Camera Discussion
- b. In-Camera Personnel – Complaint Review
- c. In-Camera Personnel – Overpayment Matter from Sept 26th Meeting

2023 Annual Report Update

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: ICAO Holly Krysko

BE IT RESOLVED that the 2023 Cornwallis Police Board Annual report prepared by the ICAO Holly Krysko, be accepted as presented, and submitted to the Manitoba Police Commission.
CARRIED

In-Camera

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: ICAO Holly Krysko

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned to go in-camera to discuss personnel at 5:05 PM.
CARRIED

Moved: Board Member Drohan; Seconded: ICAO Holly Krysko

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board end the in-camera session to reconvene into the regular meeting.
CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

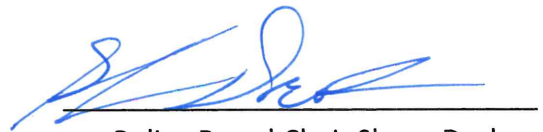
- a) Chief Drader reported that the new police vehicle was shipped November 16, 2024.
- b) Chief Drader reported that an ASD is for sale from Rivers PD and he made an offer of \$250.00.
- c) Chair Drohan reported that the Minister of Justice and the Minister's Aid have been contacted several times regarding our Provincially appointed member vacancy. He is hopeful that after the year's vacancy for 2024 we will have an appointment in 2025.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Police Board meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

*NOTE TO MINUTES

As no Provincial Board Member was appointed in 2024 and Board Member Kim Kooistra was absent for the scheduled Board Meeting, the meeting was held rather than cancelled as it is too late in the year to reschedule, and December is the Holiday Season. Although irregular the Cornwallis ICAO stood in for the absent Board Member so the final 2024 Board Meeting could be completed. Additionally, then in February 2025 Board Member Kim Kooistra resigned.



Police Board Chair Shane Drohan



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Chief's 2024 Annual Report

OVERVIEW:

For the RM of Cornwallis, 2024 was generally a good year with minor issues. I was approached by the Town of Rivers and asked to take on the position of interim Chief of the Rivers Police Service. I did assist and take on the position in addition to my duties with the RM. I acted in the position and did so until the Police Service was decommissioned in July.

For the most part, the year was quite uneventful as there were no serious incidents or other incidents of concern. The following report will outline some of my work during the 2024 year.

COMPLAINTS:

During the 2024 year, the service handled 447 complaints. Over the year, 12 complaints were referred to other people or agencies such as the RCMP, Conservation or Animal Control Officer.

Over the past 24 years of my service with 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.

The breakdown of the monthly complaints are as follows:

MONTH	# COMPLAINTS
January	18
February	27
March	27
April	35
May	43
June	51

MONTH	# COMPLAINTS
July	56
August	44
September	48
October	39
November	32
December	27

TICKETS:

Our mission statement, in part, states that we are “*building a safer community through quality service.*” One way of working towards this goal is ensuring that our roads are safe, not just for our residents, but for every person traveling within the municipality. Of all the complaints received each year, traffic complaints rank among the highest. Speeding, passing stopped school buses and careless driving seem to be among the mostly reported Highway Traffic Act violations. Complaints of heavy trucks off designated truck routes under the Municipal By-Law also rank quite high.

The 2024 year was still productive in the case of traffic enforcement and ticket issuance consisted of 552 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. The monthly breakdown of the tickets are as follows:

MONTH	TICKETS		
	Total	HTA	Other
January	29	29	
February	64	64	
March	29	29	
April	56	54	2
May	28	22	6
June	61	60	1

MONTH	TICKETS		
	Total	HTA	Other
July	76	76	
August	59	56	3
September	51	51	
October	32	32	
November	33	33	
December	34	30	4

Currently a review of the Municipal By-Laws is being considered with an updating of fines and the development of a By-Law ticket. The process is on going.

POLICE RADIO SYSTEM (Dispatch):

As a recap in regard to our radio system, a majority of police agencies in Manitoba had converted over to the new encrypted radio system. My radio has, two “Zones.” On “Zone 1” there is two active channels which have: (1) Channel 1 which is the “Rivers Police-Cornwallis” talk channel and (2) Channel 2 is the “Rivers-Cornwallis Dispatch.” On Zone 2 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

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. In the past, I assisted with the Law Enforcement Torch Run Truck Convoy. All the agencies (six different agencies) involved in the project used the IAGE channel, which worked extremely well. The change over to the new system has proven to be a beneficial endeavor.

In addition, 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.

Commencing in 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 up to the decommissioning of the Rivers Police Service. When Rivers PS ceased to exist, my access to BPS Communications also ended. I have made numerous attempts (emails) to contact the Communication Center head and request a quote to be able continue with radio communications for "status keeping" and "officer safety" purposes. All my attempts have gone unanswered.

Unaware of the reasoning for the non-response, one possible solution to the situation is to actually apply for full dispatch. There are several "pros" and two "cons." The pros and cons are as follows:

PROS:

- Most importantly, Officer Safety: Status keeping ensures that someone is monitoring any situation and ensuring that if something occurs, additional help or support is dispatched. Also when a vehicle/person is checked, that entity can be checked for any cautions.
- Radio Channel: There would have to be no extra costs in programming the radios as they have already been programmed with the dispatch channel.
- Call Sign: With the decommissioning of the Rivers PS, I could take over the '500' series that Rivers once used.
- Dispatch: Calls would be forwarded through dispatch. By doing so, there would now be a record of the calls received by the service.

CONS:

- Phone Number: With dispatch, a land line phone number would have to be set up. Initially when I started my employment, the police had a dedicated land line. Years later, the land line was cancelled. If dispatch was to be commenced, the land line would have to be re-set up.
- Cost: The cost would be the biggest "Con." I know that many years ago when I was exploring BPS Dispatch, we were looking at a cost of \$3.75 per capita. Without knowing what the current cost is, I would estimate that we would be looking at approximately \$20,000 per year for full dispatch.

Further discussion and consideration is most certainly warranted.

AUTOMATED LICENCE PLATE READER (ALPR):

The Automated Licence Plate Reader (ALPR) continues to be a invaluable 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.

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.

During the 2024 year, I stopped vehicles for 144 "hits" which included: (1) 99 uninsured vehicles; (2) 21 suspended drivers; and (3) 24 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.

RADAR SPEED SIGN:

Over the past several 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.

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.

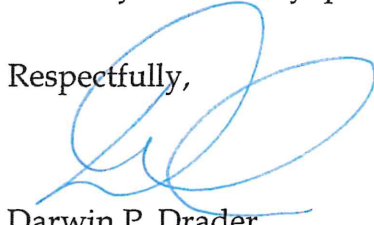
In 2021 I applied for \$10,000 which was approved. In 2022, I applied for \$15,000 but was approved for \$17,000. In 2023 I applied for \$20,000 which was also approved. For the 2024/2025 campaign, I applied for and was approved \$30,000. This MPI initiative is, again, a very important initiative in trying to keep Manitoba roads safe and free from accidents and erratic drivers.

REPLACEMENT POLICE VEHICLE:

In the beginning of 2024, permission was granted for the order and purchase of a new police vehicle. The vehicle chosen, another pickup truck, was a 2025 Chevrolet Silverado Z71 PPV. The vehicle finally arrived at the dealership in mid-December and was not able to be delivered due to the holiday season. The vehicle will be ready for delivery at the beginning of January 2025.

This concludes the 2024 Annual Report. I hope that it meets with your approval. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Darwin P. Drader', is written over the word 'Respectfully,'.

Darwin P. Drader
Chief Constable