

2021

CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT



Board Chair Kurt Wasserberg, Chuck Elliot, Reeve Bill Courtice, Chief Constable Darwin Drader

VISION STATEMENT

“PARTNERS IN OUR COMMUNITY”

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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It is our pleasure to present the Board's 2021 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

Whoever thought that 2021 would bring a reset to normal procedures and health care directives was wrong. On the contrary because of Covid 19 and different strains the Province imposed more stringent restrictions regarding meetings, wearing facemask in public and closing facilities open to the public. Because of those restrictions the Board held only three board meetings in the year 2021.

The Board had to say farewell to longtime board member Chuck Elliot who served on the board from the beginning of establishing Police Boards by the Manitoba Police Commission. He was presented a letter of commendation by Reeve Bill Courtice and we, the Board thank him for his long years of dedication and always good advice. Continuing Chucks work is Derek Gilbert as the Municipal appointee to the Board. Welcome Derek.

Even with all those restrictions Chief Constable Drader continued his exemplary work to the fullest by providing a police presence and enforcing all municipal by-laws and provincial statutes. In the year 2021 he participated again in enforcing Public Health Orders regulation and restrictions.

During the year 2021 Chief Constable Drader participated in the Enhanced Enforcement Campaign supported through Manitoba Public Insurance and he supported MADD by having our public works install their signs in the Municipality. Chief Constable Drader was also successful in applying to the Criminal Property Forfeiture Grant to obtain funding for the purchase of a Night Vision Scope.

In closing I would like thank the Police Board, Chief Constable Drader and CAO Donna Anderson for their ongoing support in 2021 and even with all the difficulties during the year we got the job done.

THANK YOU!



Chief's 2021 Annual Report

OVERVIEW:

The 2021 year was a fairly good year despite the ever continuing changes that came with the COVID 19 pandemic and the subsequent various enacted restrictions. The restrictions still impacted people's lives as well as adversely affected many small businesses. Front-line workers and first responders still had to remain cautious and vigilant when dealing with the public.

For the most part, the year was uneventful as there were no serious incidents such as flooding or uncontrollable fires. The following report will outline some of my work during the 2021 year.

COMPLAINTS:

During the 2021 year I handled 537 complaints. Over the past 21 years of my service to the RM, I continuously receive incoming complaints which occur while on days off, on leave or during the nights. I continue to willingly accept these calls and try to deal with them in a prompt and professional manner.

TICKETS:

Even with the continuing COVID 19 pandemic conditions, I have remained relatively busy dealing 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 and the violations under disobeying the COVID Public Health Orders. I wrote 575 tickets over the 2021 year. In relation to COVID Public Health Order violations, I wrote 11 tickets, 5 written warnings and issued 6 verbal warnings.

POLICE RADIO SYSTEM:

At the beginning of 2021, all the documentation for the conversion over to the new encrypted radio system had been signed and completed by all parties involved. On the 13th of April 2021 the patrol truck was taken into Prairie Mobile and the new radio system was installed. The mobile radio as well as the portable have been working very well.

The radio system has two zones, Zone One which is labeled Cornwallis and has one channel - Rivers/Cornwallis. This channel allows me to communicate directly with Rivers Police on their channel 2. I do not have access to their channel 1 which is their dispatch channel with Brandon Police Service.

Zone Two is the Provincial Ops zone. This zone has sixteen channels. These channels will have access to other approved users for the use during inter-agency operations. The channels allow for agencies to work projects together without having to lend or borrow radios. The radio zones and channels are as follows:

Zone 1 CORNWALLIS

Channel	Front Display	TG Type	Security Group	Sequence
1	RIVERS CORN	Digital - Secure	MUN POL	A1

Zone 2 PROV OPS

Channel	Front Display	TG Type	Security Group	Sequence
1	POLICE	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B1
2	IAGE 1	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B2
3	IAGE 2	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B3
4	IAGE 3	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B4
5	IAGE 4	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B5
6	IAGE 5	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B6
7	IAGE 6	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B7
8	IAGE 7	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B8
9	IAGE 8	Digital - Clear	PUB IAGE	B9
10	EMO OPS1	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B10
11	EMO OPS2	Digital - Secure	PUB IAGE	B11
12	EMO OPS3	Digital - Clear	PUB IAGE	B12
13	EMO SPX	Simplex - Digital	N/A	B13
14	EMO SPX	Simplex - Digital	N/A	B14
15	EMO SPX	Simplex - Digital	N/A	B15
16	EMO SPX	Simplex - Digital	N/A	B16

** IAGE - Inter Agency Group

I have had the opportunity to utilize the Zone 2 Prov OPS channels over the past year. I communicated with Manitoba Conservation on one occasion and then I assisted Rivers

Police with the execution of a search warrant and arrest of a child sex offender and utilized one of the IAGE channels which worked very 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 2021, 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 still proven 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 vehicle liability insurance, driving while suspended/disqualified and driving without a valid driver's licence as well as other associated violations. In the 2021 year, I have laid: (1) 123 uninsured vehicle charges; (2) 45 suspended driver charges; and (3) 41 unlicensed driver charges. 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:

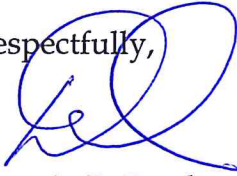
The RM's Speed trailer has continued to be an asset for the RM as well as for the neighboring municipality of the RM of Elton. The speed trailer has had a continued use in the Sprucewoods community as a result of the many complaints about speeding vehicles on Shilo Road. The RM of Elton made a formal request to have the trailer set up in Douglas to monitor a section of road where they were having complaints. The trailer was set up for few weeks and a report submitted to the CAO and Council. The CAO was quite appreciative for the use of the trailer.

RADAR SPEED SIGN:

Over the past year, I have approached MPI on numerous occasions to see if they would donate a stationary radar speed sign to the RM. These 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 requesting the acquisition of one of the Radar Speed Signs for the Sprucewoods area as the speed of vehicles in this community seems to be an issue. I feel that a permanently mounted signs will have a positive effect without having to take the speed trailer out and keep putting it up and taking it down. A permanently mounted sign can be used year-round without damage from snow clearing equipment. I have been advised that MPI is still working on my application and will be advised when it has been approved.

This concludes the 2021 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

1 POLICE BOARD

The Cornwallis Police Board remained the same for the year 2021.

Chair – Kurt Wasserberg

Member – Derek Gilbert

Member – Reg Atkinson

2 STRATEGIC PLAN & BOARD ACTIVITIES

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
Derek Gilbert	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reg Atkinson	0.00	0.00	0.00

4 MEETINGS

The board held three meetings in 2021; March 8, August 9 and November 11, 2021.

The meeting minutes are attached “Appendix B”.

APPENDIX "A"

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS
POLICE DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Police Expenses		Annual Budget	YTD Actual
Staff			
	Salary / Benefits	\$86,038.00	\$94,176.14
	Training & Education	\$500.00	\$654.88
Automotive / Equipment			
	Insurance	\$1,400.00	\$1,354.76
	R&M / Equipment	\$4,000.00	\$9,369.93
	Fuel	\$7,000.00	\$9,112.12
	Equipment	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
	Equipment – CPF Grant	\$0.00	\$7,490.00
Office			
	Telephone	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.47
	Office	\$1,000.00	\$1,281.13
	Software Support	\$600.00	\$640.93
Total		\$104,938.00	\$126,980.36
Police Board Expenditures			
	Police Board Honorariums ¹	\$500.00	\$0.00
	Meals	\$200.00	\$0.00
	Mileage & Travel	\$300.00	\$0.00
Total		\$1,000.00	\$0.00

1. All Council Member expenses are budgeted and accounted for under the General Budget of the Municipality.

“APPENDIX B”

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

Minutes of a Cornwallis Police Board Meeting held in the Cornwallis Council Chambers on Monday, March 8, 2021.

PRESENT: Chair – Kurt Wasserberg
Vice Chair – Reg Atkinson
Member – Derek Gilbert
Administration – Bev Storozinski
Chief Constable – Darwin Drader

CALL TO ORDER – CHAIR WASSERBERG

The meeting was called to Order at 6:00 P.M., followed by an introduction of the new Council appointed board member Derek Gilbert.

Chair Wasserberg also reported to the board that he and Reeve Courtice had presented a letter of commendation and thanked former board member Chuck Elliot for his long service to the board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the October 5, 2020 meeting of the board were approved as circulated.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The agenda was adopted as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE – The board was provided with a copy of a letter received from Cliff Cullen, Attorney General/Minister of Justice.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- **Strategic Plan** – Community Engagement – deferred until such time as the Province comes forward with some implementation of recommendations following the review of policing in Manitoba.
- **Police Chief Guidelines** – Same as above.
- **Monthly Statistics** – June to September, 2020 – The board reviewed and received the statistical information as prepared by Constable Drader.

NEW BUSINESS -

- Board Member Derek Gilbert was provided a copy of the 2018 Manitoba Police Boards: Policy and Procedure Manual.
- **Monthly Statistics – October to December 2021** – The board reviewed and received the statistical information as prepared by Constable Drader.
- **Financial Review to December 31, 2020** – The board reviewed the department financials for the year ended December 31, 2020. The financials were adopted as presented.
- **2021 Budget** – The board reviewed and approved the proposed 2021 Budget. The board will forward to Cornwallis Council for inclusion in the 2021 Municipal Budget.
- **Speed Reader Sprucewoods** – Once the threat of additional snow and plowing has passed the reader will be moved to Sprucewoods.
- **Review and approval of the 2020 Annual Report** – The board reviewed the 2020 annual report and approved the report.
- **Next Meeting Date -** The next meeting will be held on May 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Cornwallis meeting room.

ADJOURN -

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Original Signed Kurt Wasserberg

Chair

2021 Meeting Schedule

May 3, 2021 August 2, 2021 November 1, 2021

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

Minutes of a Cornwallis Police Board Meeting held in the Cornwallis Council Chambers on Monday, August 9, 2021.

PRESENT: Chair – Kurt Wasserberg
 Vice Chair – Reg Atkinson
 Member – Derek Gilbert
 Administration – Donna Anderson
 Chief Constable – Darwin Drader

CALL TO ORDER – CHAIR WASSERBERG

The meeting was called to Order at 6:00 P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the March 8, 2021 meeting of the board were approved as circulated.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The agenda was adopted with the addition of the RM of Whitehead.

CORRESPONDENCE – RM of Whitehead inquiry re: By-Law Enforcement.

Motion: That we seek clarification on what types of by-laws would they want enforced and do they have a pre-set fine by-law? Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

NEW BUSINESS -

- **Chief Constable Drader** – The board received Chief Constable Drader’s report.
 - **Criminal Property Forfeiture Grant** – Approved in the amount of \$7500.00 for the purchase of Night Vision Scope
 - **Manitoba Public Insurance** – Enhanced Enforcement Campaign. Approval for \$10,000

- **Qualifications** – Last week Darwin went to the RM of Springfield and Use of Force recertification and Firearms recertification. They also took part in high risk vehicle takedowns.
- **Speed Sign** – Our speed sign trailer is currently set up in Sprucewoods. Darwin is awaiting approval on a permanent sign that will be provided by MPI.
- **Crosswalk on Shilo Road** – Concerns regarding this crosswalk. Perhaps MPI will assist in upgrades ie, signage and lights?
- **MADD Canada** – Darwin received four signs and our Public Works Department has installed them in Chater/Sprucewoods.
- **CP/CN** – National Safety Week – Cornwallis has approved that our public works department install four signs, provided by CP/CN, these signs will be installed at the two crossings on Curries Landing Road.
- **Monthly Statistics – January to June 2021** – The board reviewed and received the statistical information as prepared by Constable Drader.
- **Financial Review to June 30, 2021** – The board reviewed the department financials for the six months ended June 30, 2021. The financials were adopted as presented.
- **2021 Budget** – The board reviewed and approved the proposed 2021 Budget. The board will forward to Cornwallis Council for inclusion in the 2021 Municipal Budget.
- **Next Meeting Date** - The next meeting will be held on November 15th at 5:00 p.m. in the Cornwallis meeting room.

ADJOURN -

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

Original Signed Kurt Wasserberg

Chair

2021 Meeting Schedule

November 15, 2021

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CORNWALLIS POLICE BOARD

Minutes of a Cornwallis Police Board Meeting held in the Cornwallis Council Chambers on Monday, November 15, 2021.

PRESENT: Chair – Kurt Wasserberg
Vice Chair – Reg Atkinson
Member – Derek Gilbert
Administration – Donna Anderson
Chief Constable – Darwin Drader

CALL TO ORDER – CHAIR WASSERBERG

The meeting was called to Order at 5:01 P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the August 9, 2021 meeting of the board were approved as circulated.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The agenda was adopted as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE –

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- RM of Whitehead inquiry re: By-Law Enforcement.

Motion: That we work toward an MOU / Agreement with Whitehead. Carried

- Must have pre-set fine bylaw.
- Presence
- Set up a meeting with Whitehead

*This will require Cornwallis Council approval.

NEW BUSINESS -

- **Monthly Statistics – July to October 31, 2021** – The board reviewed and received the statistical information as prepared by Constable Drader.
- **Financial Review to October 31, 2021** – The board reviewed the department financials for the ten months ended October 31, 2021. The financials were adopted as presented.
- **2022 Budget** – The board will review the draft 2022 Budget at the February meeting.
- **Public Input – Strategic Plan** – The Board will come up with the questions, it would preferable to have 5 questions. This will be discussed at the February meeting. The Commission Report has still not been released.
- **Next Meeting Date** - The next meeting will be held on February 7, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the Cornwallis meeting room.

ADJOURN -

The meeting was adjourned at 5:37 P.M.

Original Signed Kurt Wasserberg

Chair

2022 Meeting Schedule

February 7, 2022, May 2, 2022, August 8, 2022 and December 5, 2022