

2023 Annual Report

North Kawartha Police Services Board

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Purpose of the Annual Report

After the end of each year, by March 31st of the following year, the Board will compile an annual report. The Annual Report will be provided to Council at a regular meeting of Council. Upon receipt by Council, the report will be made available to the public no later than April 30th.

The Annual Report may include, but is not limited to, the status of strategic initiatives identified in the corresponding Business Plan, OPP statistical data and analysis, OPP incidents of note, the status of OPP special programs such as RIDE etc., as well as the financial results for both OPP and Board operations.

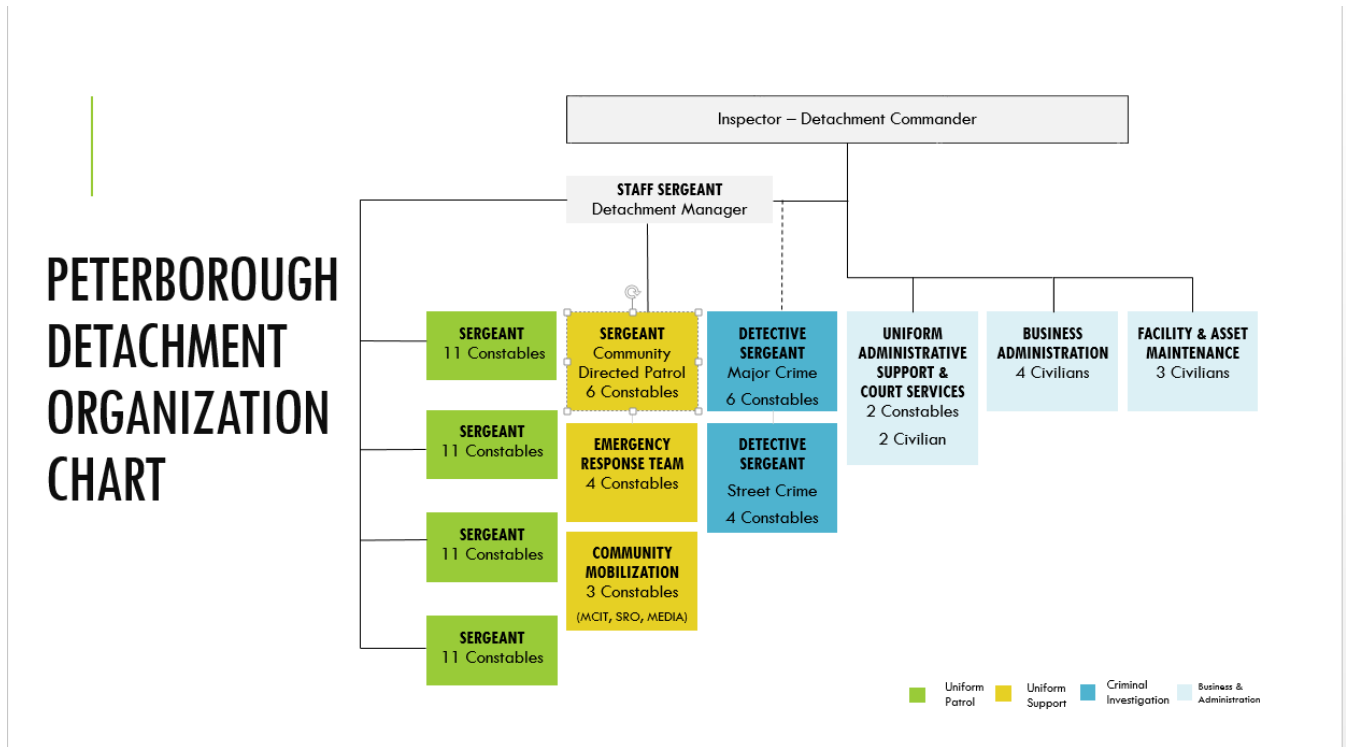
In 2023, the elected Chair and Council appointed member was Mayor Carolyn Amyotte. Shane Paquette was the Council appointed Community Member. On July 25, 2019, Bob Burns was appointed as our provincially appointed member. Pursuant to subsection 27(10) of the Police Services Act, the Appointments Officer from the Ministry of Community Safety & Correctional Services co-ordinates this appointment which requires an Order in Council from the province.

There were four regular meetings held in 2023: January 27, April 25, July 28 and October 27, 2023 and one special meeting for the purpose of the budget on December 4, 2023.

With the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA) coming into force and effect on April 1, 2024, this report will be the final annual report of the North Kawartha Police Services Board (NKPSB). A new Detachment Police Services Board will be established for Peterborough County and North Kawartha Council has appointed Mayor Carolyn Amyotte to be our municipal representative on that board. We want thank all past Board Chairs, Community Representatives and Provincial Appointees for their service on the NKPSB.

OPP – Peterborough Detachment

In 2023, for the first six months of the year, Detachment Commander Chris Galeazza oversaw the operations and the administration of the detachment. In the remaining half of the year, he was supported by the newly promoted Staff Sergeant – Operations Manager, Mike Cavanagh.



The Detachment’s authorized complement of uniform members and civilian support staff provide an array of policing services to the township of North Kawartha and six other municipalities within Peterborough County.

Uniform Patrol

- This section has the largest complement of officers assigned at the detachment.
- These members are tasked with responding to calls for service, criminal investigations and traffic enforcement.
- These members are also regularly observed with interacting with the public at schools, in the area community centers and business areas. In 2023, foot patrol hours exceeded 192 hours, while participating in 97 community service events.

Community Directed Patrol Unit (CDPU)

- The officers in the CDPU are often tasked with carrying out the detachment’s specialty patrols. These patrols are on equipment that include all-terrain vehicles, motorized snow vehicles and

vessels. These patrols always require a minimum of two officers. In 2023, North Kawartha received 68 hours of these specialty patrols.

- Officers are tasked with assessing and preparing operational plans for community events, and attending these events to ensure police presence.
- The detachment's traffic data and analysis and the Black Cat Program is housed in the CDPU.

Community Mobilization and Safety Officers

- The Detachment Community Safety Officers are assigned to School Resources, Media and Mental Health Liaison
- In addition to assisting educators, parents, and students through a wide variety of issues and concerns, our School Resource Officer is tasked with delivering the OPP KIDS (Knowledge, Issues, Decisions and Supports) Programming at Apsley Public School.
- Our Mental Health Liaison Officer is partnered with a clinician from the Canadian Mental Health Association – Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge. Together they form the detachment's Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT). The team is tasked with reviewing all mental health calls for service, and providing follow-up with individuals and families to ensure supports are offered and established, with the hopes of preventing future crises. In November 2023, the Team added a second officer and second clinician, creating an enhanced availability. The Team was able to respond to and support over 30 calls for service.

Emergency Response Team Personnel

- These uniform patrol officers received enhanced training in tactics and incident management.
- When not engaged in ERT duties, these members assist uniform patrol officers with general law enforcement duties.
- In 2023, there were 3 hours of tactical and incident management provided by ERT. The community would have observed ERT personnel during most of their service hours dedicated to general patrol. This includes traffic enforcement, community service events, and general assistance.

Criminal Investigations & Street Crime

- Unlike our Uniform Patrol section, the members assigned to Criminal Investigations – Major Crime & Street Crime Teams are often not in uniform. While they are all sworn officers, they wear a variety of dress that allow them to complete their duties.
- As their unit titles indicate, the Street Crime Unit is tasked with property and street level drug offences. Property offences include break and enter investigations, complex and patterned thefts investigations. The Street Crime Unit led 3 investigations in the township and provided oversight and investigative assistance to many others in 2023.
- Much in the same respect, the Major Crime Section investigates serious criminal offences. These include, but are not limited to, death and significant injury investigations, violent offences including sexual assaults, and significant value financial crimes. The Major Crime Unit was involved in 10 investigations in the township of North Kawartha in 2023.

Administration and Support Services

- The team of administration and support services is essential to all of the above mentioned duties. While their duties cannot be captured in their entirety, this section of detachment personnel keeps our buildings clean and operational. They keep the fleet of vehicles utilized serviced, maintained and at the ready.
- The administrative team ensures business reporting is submitted in a timely manner, budgets are forecasted and adhered to and calls from the public are answered and properly routed. They provide relief to frontline service delivery by completing property damage collisions at the collision reporting center and assist with the administrative processes involved with investigative report submissions.

2023 Strategic Accomplishments

The strategic accomplishments are based on an evaluation of those initiatives identified in the North Kawartha Police Services Board's (NK PSB) 2020-2022 Business Plan. It is important to note the impact of the COVID-19 global pandemic on the 'regular' activities and planned initiatives of the both the OPP and the NK PSB. Things like the annual Pedal for Hope Cancer fundraiser, the OPP Kids Program and joint PSB meetings, either did not happen, were modified according to public health guidelines and/or were conducted virtually.

Training, Education and Presentations received

- **OAPSB Zone 3 Meeting (Baltimore), February 24, 2023** Attended by Shane Paquette and Carolyn Amyotte
- **Peterborough County Joint PSB Meeting held in North Kawartha, April 3, 2023**
Attended by Shane Paquette, Bob Burns, Carolyn Amyotte and Kelly Picken
- **Transitioning to CSPA for OPP Detachment Boards November 2, 2023**
Attended by Shane Paquette, Alana Solman and Kelly Picken
- **Preparing OPP Detachment Board Budgets November 16, 2023**
Attended by Shane Paquette, Alana Solman and Kelly Picken
- **OAPSB Zone 3 Meeting (Peterborough and virtually), November 27, 2023**
Attended by Bob Burns, Shane Paquette, Carolyn Amyotte and Kelly Picken

Improve Traffic Safety within North Kawartha

The NK PSB continues to work with the OPP, Peterborough Division by implementing traffic monitoring technology to identify areas in need of targeting traffic enforcement, traffic calming initiatives, additional signage or reconstruction. This includes township, county, and provincial roads with the goal of reducing vehicle speeds, collisions, aggressive, and distracted driving.

- Deployments of Black Cat technology on various township, county, and provincial roads to gather traffic statistics for targeted enforcement

Work with Community Partners toward Community Safety

The NK PSB heard from several residents regarding traffic and safety concerns in their neighborhoods. The OPP, Peterborough County, Ministry of Transportation, and North Kawartha Township were consulted on responses and actions as appropriate. The North Kawartha Police Services Board partnered with Peterborough County in regards to County Road 6 concerns.

Financial Results

	2023 Budget	2023 Actuals (Unaudited)
Total Net PSB Budget	929,413.00	916,8002.53
OPP Contract	907,346.00	907,344.00
Heat (ESO & NKCP office)	1150.00	1,150.00
Hydro (ESO & NKCP office)	1050.00	1,050.00
Revenue	17216.00	9059.64
Other Expenses	8925.00	2372.96
Honorariums	1442.00	582.40
Travel & Training	2800.00	13.01
Contracted Services	6700.00	4290.16

Figures as of December 31, 2023 Financial Statement

*Any adjustments as a result of the 2022 reconciliation of Annual Costs will be included on the 2022 Billing Statement. Therefore, reconciliation statements for the previous year (2022) will no longer be issued in April 2022.

ESO = OPP extended service office. NKCP = North Kawartha Community Policing

	2022 Budget	2022 Actuals (Unaudited)
Total Net PSB Budget	<u>936,997.00</u>	<u>937,394.89</u>
OPP Contract	934,572.00	934,572.00

Figures as of December 31, 2022 Financial Statement

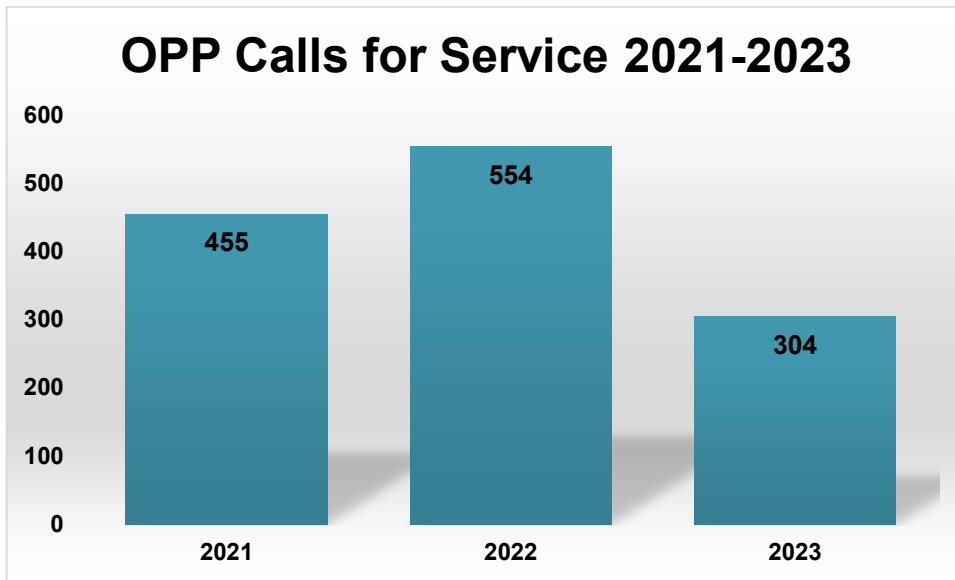
Statistics

Overall, trends in 2023 included:

- There was an overall decrease in property crime related offences, including frauds and thefts. There was a slight increase in reported break & enter.

Calls for service form part of the basis for our contract with the OPP. The trend over the last few years continues in that calls for service are reducing.

	2021	2022	2023	3 Yr. Avg.
Total	455	554	304	438



Starting in 2021, the following breakdown of calls for service is available (included are reported occurrences for billable occurrences only).

Category of Call	2021	2022	2023	3 Year Avg.	2022-2023 +/-
Violent Criminal Code	20	23	7	16	-16
Property Crime Violations	47	31	30	36	-1
Other Criminal Code Violations (excl. traffic)	6	13	36	18	-23
Drug Possession	n/a	0	1	0	+1
Drugs	n/a	0	1	0	+1
Statutes & Acts	36	96	17	49	-79
Operational	176	193	105	158	-88
Operational2	109	115	69	97	-46
Traffic	61	85	38	61	-47
Total	455	554	304	437	-250

See below for explanations of these Categories.

Drugs

Includes trafficking, production, and importation of drugs including marihuana, cocaine, heroin, crystal meth or other controlled substances. It also includes occurrences related to indoor/outdoor grow labs.

Drug Possession

Includes all occurrences where the most serious violation is possession of marihuana, cocaine, heroin, crystal meth or other controlled substance. It also includes other minor drug related offences.

Operational

Operational calls for service are non-criminal events that police attend to. These include animal complaints, noncriminal domestic disturbances, missing persons, noise complaints, property - lost or found, sudden deaths, and assist public calls.

Operational 2

Includes false alarms, keep the peace and 911 calls/911 hang-ups. Due to the higher frequency of these calls, they have been separated out from the 'Operational' category and allocated a lower time standard. Traffic incidents are excluded.

Other Criminal Code Violations

The majority of offences counted in the Other Criminal Code Offences group are criminal offences that are not directed to people or related to property. It is similar to the group that Statistics Canada uses when reporting 'Other Criminal Code', These include prostitution, offensive weapons, bail violations, counterfeiting, disturb the peace, indecent acts, breach of probation, and bribery.

Property Crime Violations

This category is similar to the group that Statistics Canada uses when reporting 'Property Crimes'. These include arson, break and enter, theft, possession of stolen goods, mischief, identity theft, and some frauds.

Statutes & Acts

Includes provincial statutes, primarily the Mental Health Act, Landlord Tenant Act and Trespass to property offences. It also includes custody dispute calls.

Traffic

Includes motor vehicle collisions of all severities (property damage, personal injury and fatalities) and road rage incidents reported to police.

Violent Crimes

The majority of offences counted in the Violent Crimes group are crimes against persons. This category is similar to the group that Statistics Canada uses when reporting 'Violent Crimes'. These include homicides, attempted murders, assaults, threats and robberies.