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SMITHS FALLS POLICE

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

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March 2021

Karen Hallinan, Chairperson, and Members, Smiths Falls Police Services Board

Dear Chair Hallinan and Board Members:

I am pleased to share with you and the community the 2020 Annual Report. The contents of the report comes from the hard work of staff. Our members continue to provide excellence in policing, keeping our community safe and aware.

We always say the last year was challenging for various reasons. 2020 has certainly been one of those years. Our staff continue to serve the community under the pandemic of Covid-19. The challenges of staying safe while keeping others safe.

In this new world we have become more virtual with learning, networking and engaging, meeting the needs of the community.

We brought our three year Business Plan to a close and developed a road map for the next three years, keeping community engagement, crime prevention and collaboration with other service partners a priority. We completed a new radio system for our communications, staying compliant with the next generation 9-1-1 roll out. We have expanded our Mobile Crisis Response Team with the County to two mental health nurses and one Mental Health Counsellor working with our officers responding to persons in crisis.

I am always pleased to report that given the difficult year we remained under budget continuing our trend of surplus. In 2020 the surplus came in at -4.9%, \$ 237,628. We were successful with grant funding for technology and training and continue to find those opportunities to keep costs down.

I wish to thank the Board for their continued support and confidence in your police service.

Respectfully,

Mark MacGillivray Chief of Police



SMITHS FALLS POLICE SERVICES BOARD

MRS. KAREN HALLINAN COMMUNITY MEMBER CHAIRPERSON (January – December)

MR. SHAWN PANKOW
MAYOR
(January - December)

MR. CHRISTOPHER MCGUIRE COUNCIL MEMBER (January - December)

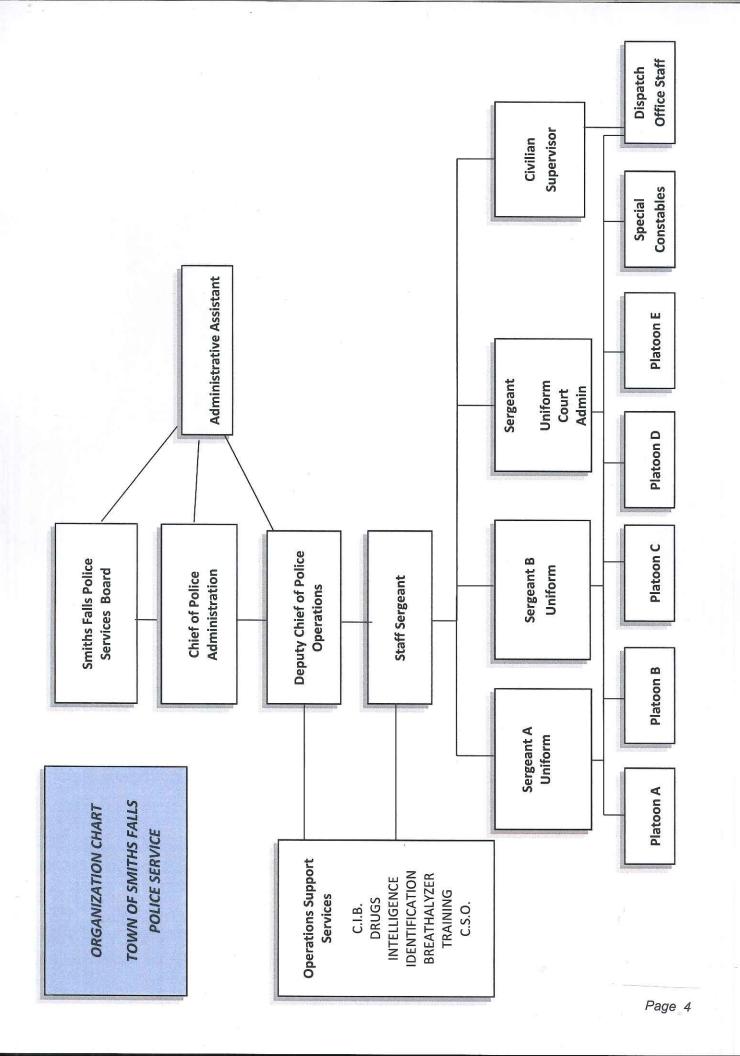
MR. ROB DOPSON
PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENT
(January – December)

MR. CHRISTOPHER BABCOCK PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENT (August - December)

MRS. MANON VAILLANCOURT-SMOLLETT PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENT (January – February)

MS. JANICE TOMLINSON SECRETARY (January – December)





UNIFORM PERSONNEL

Mark MacGillivray	Chief of Police	Joined 09NOV87
Rick Labelle	Deputy Chief	Joined 20JUN94
Jodi Empey	Staff Sergeant	Joined 11JUL94
Paul Klassen	Sergeant	Joined 29APR96 Retired 13NOV20
Thomas Blanchard	Sergeant	Joined 23AUG98
Nadine Wilson	Sergeant	Hired 10JUN94
		Joined 01JUL01
Derek Klawitter	Constable	Joined 16MAY99
David Murphy	Constable	Joined 14JUN99
Chris Coon	Constable	Joined 02JUL01
David Rakobowchuk	Detective Constable	Joined 16JUN02
Aaron Tompkins	Constable /	Joined 26APR04
a a	Community Services	
Daniel King	Constable	Joined 22NOV04
Glenn Smith	Constable	Joined 16MAY05
Michael Gallagher	Constable	Resigned 31DEC20
Brent Pellett	Constable	Joined 04SEP07
David Morris	Constable	Joined 18AUG08
Ashley Ricci	Constable	Joined 08DEC08
Bradley Walker	Detective Constable	Joined 06DEC10
Brock Woods	Constable	Joined 29JUL13
Jason Droeske	Constable	Hired 02MAR07
		Joined 22APR14
Tyler Brett	Constable	Joined 08SEP14
Sean Keogan	Constable	Joined 20NOV17
Karine Gauthier	Constable	Joined 22JUL19
Lindsay Lemay	Constable	Hired 14MAR11
		Joined 06AUG19
Derek Dewey	Cadet/Constable	Hired 25MAY20



CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Janice Tomlinson	Administrative Assistant	Hired 13JUN94
Lenore Willows	Clerk/Dispatcher	Hired 04SEP01
Micheila Blackburn	Clerk/Dispatcher	Hired 03FEB03
Katheryn Commodore	Clerk/Dispatcher	Hired 26AUG05
Kaitlynn Beath	Clerk/Dispatcher	Hired 16JUL12
Ronda Seed	Clerk/Dispatcher	Hired 26JAN15

PART-TIME CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Sean O'Meara	Clerk/Dispatcher	Resigned 31AUG20
Olivia Watts	Clerk/Dispatcher	Hired 21OCT19
Betty Anne Small Jodi Stevenson	Clerk/Dispatcher Clerk/Dispatcher	Resigned 06JUL20 Hired 13OCT20

SPECIAL CONSTABLES

Mark Bell	Special Constable	Hired 09JAN12
Kourtney Droeske	Special Constable	Hired 01NOV17
Chase Mason	Special Constable	Hired 10OCT19

IT SERVICES

Bryce Mackenzie IT Specialist Hired 04MAY15



BACKGROUND - SMITHS FALLS, ONTARIO

8,780
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67.99 km
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POLICE EXPENDITURES

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
TOTAL POLICE CAPITAL BUDGET	\$ 229,576	\$ 228,120
TOTAL POLICE OPERATIONAL BUDGET	\$ 4,855,745	\$ 4,618,117
NET OPERATIONAL SURPLUS	\$ 237,628	
TOTAL POLICE COMMISSION	\$ 30,107	\$ 25,536



TRAINING COURSES

The following courses were completed by staff in 2020

Basic Constable Training
CPIC Query Training
Facilitating and Assessing Police Learning
Annual Intoxilyzer Refresher Training
Breathalizer Technician Training
Health and Safety Certification Part 1 and Part 2
Health and Safety Awareness for Supervisors
Collection of identifying Information in Certain Circumstances
CFS Field Coordinator Training
Recertification Drug Evaluation and Classification Program
Firearms Identification for Public Agents
Bill C-75 Court Release Training
Violent Link and Recognizing Human Violence
Human Trafficking for Law Enforcement
Mental Health Self Awareness Training

In 2020, due to COVID-19, the Ministry extended the certification for all officers and Special Constables in the following training:

Annual Use of Force and Firearms Training
Combat Application Tourniquet
Academic, Practical Theory and Operation X26 Taser
Refresher – Stop Stick Tire Deflation Device
Officer Authorities and the New Cannabis Legislation
Standard First Aid - CPR - AED



SMITHS FALLS & DISTRICT CRIME STOPPERS

The Smiths Falls & District Crime Stoppers celebrated its 28th year serving the Smiths Falls and District Community. Crime Stoppers rallies the community, news media and the police in a collaborative campaign against fighting crime. All "Tipsters" who report crimes or suspected crimes are offered cash rewards upon an arrest and are always kept anonymous.

The program is a not for profit, charity status, managed by a local board of volunteer directors and assisted by a Smiths Falls Police Service liaison officer, referred to as the Crime Stoppers Police Coordinator.

SMITHS FALLS & DISTRICT CRIME STOPPERS - 2020 BOARD MEMBERS

President: Adam Gariepy

Past President: N/A

Vice President: Amber MacDonald

Secretary: Travis Barber
Treasurer: Jackie Coldrey

Police Coordinator: Constable Aaron Tompkins

(Smiths Falls Police Service)

Directors: Sheldon Giff, Chuck Hudson, John

Putnam and Rick Kirkwood.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The month of January each year is the National Crime Stoppers awareness month. Members of the Executive, Board of Directors and Police Coordinator, promoted awareness to our community about their local Crime Stopper program by way of television, radio interviews and by social media information sharing. Our program can be found on Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat and Twitter. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic restrictions in 2020, we were not able to participate in many community events. Members did however conduct a mobile presence for Halloween and were invited to attend the Remembrance Day ceremony and provided use of our mobile sound system.



FUNDRAISING EVENTS

In January, as part of the National Crime Stoppers awareness month, a fundraising dance was held at the Smiths Falls Legion. Activities included a live band, silent and live auctions and 50/50 ticket sales.

AWARDS

Each year, the Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers recognizes their programs with awards for excellence. For the first time in over 26 years, our program was awarded with 5 awards, the most awarded to any Crime Stopper program in the province! Pictured below is Constable Aaron Tompkins receiving the Award of Excellence for Police Coordinator of the year.



*Photo credit Evelyn Hartford

The continued success of Smiths Falls & District Crime Stoppers can be attributed mainly to the members of the Board of Directors who dedicate their time and effort to the program. These members volunteer countless hours promoting the program, fundraising and attending community events. The Smiths Falls Police Service who are dedicated to working with the Police Coordinator in following up on the tips provided and finally, the residents of the community of Smiths Falls who continue to provide tips and information.

Sincerely,

Constable Aaron Tompkins, Police Coordinator Smiths Falls & District Crime Stoppers



FIREARMS TRAINING

The Smiths Falls Police Service is currently utilizing the Glock Model 17 - 9mm semi-automatic pistol along with the Colt C8 Carbine Rifle.

Constables Lemay and Dewey received C8 Carbine Operator training with the Brockville Police Service during 2020.

The firearms training is consistent with the Provincial Policing Standards and the Ontario Use of Force Model. The training is conducted in concert with our Use of Force training and other mandated training requirements.

All firearms In-Service training was deferred in 2020 by Provincial Order due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. It is hoped conditions will be favourable for training to resume in 2021.

Respectfully,

Paul Klassen
Use of Force / Firearms / CEW Instructor



USE OF FORCE TRAINING

The purpose of the annual Use of Force refresher training is to ensure that all members of the Service have maintained proficiency in all levels of Police Use of Force. In concert with the Firearms training, officers are subjected to individual drills used to show competency in de-escalation of conflicts, judgment, discretion and use of all Use of Force options, including reality based scenarios to assist in evaluating officer's ability to correctly assess and respond to a wide ranging cross section of events.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the 2020 Use of Force refresher training was deferred by way of a provincial emergency order for a period of 12 months.

It is hoped that in 2021 restrictions will allow for training to resume.

Respectfully,

Sergeant Paul Klassen Use of Force Instructor



USE OF FORCE STATISTICS

OVERVIEW

Officers are required to successfully complete mandatory firearms and use of force training on an annual basis. This is to ensure the officer is able to quickly assess a situation to determine whether or not a physical method is required to subdue a subject to prevent injury to the individual, the officer or a member of the public. Use of Force reports are completed whenever an officer needs to employ a physical method to ensure the safety of all involved.

The following information was gathered through the reports submitted by the involved officers.

USE OF FORCE REPORTS BY TYPE

When an officer is required to use force the officer must submit a report. This may result in more than one report for the occurrence based on the number of officers who attended the call for service and their involvement as each individual officer is required to submit a report. The total number of occurrences requiring a Use of Force Report in 2020 was 13 which resulted in the submission of 17 individual reports.

REPORT TYPE	2020
Reports involving firearms	9 (Firearm pointed, handgun drawn, C8 deployed but not pointed at an individual)
Reports involving Capsicum Spray	0
Reports involving Asp	0
Reports Involving Empty Hand Technique	1 report *
Reports Involving Taser X26	8 reports *
TOTAL REPORTS	17
TOTAL OCCURRENCES	13

The types of calls for service when use of force was applied included calls involving weapons, disturbances, domestic incidents, break and enters, drugs, suspicious persons and warrant execute incidents.

^{*} One call for service resulted in an officer displaying the Taser and using the empty hand technique to gain compliance. This report was counted as Empty Hand Technique and Taser X26.



BREATHALYZER / INTOXILYZER PROGRAM

The prevention and apprehension of Impaired Drivers is a primary function for officers on patrol of the Smiths Falls Police. The Smiths Falls Police has provided its staff with modern Breath Testing Equipment consisting of an Intoxilyzer 8000C approved breath testing instrument and two Drager Alcotest 6810 approved screening devices are available for patrol officers to conduct roadside alcohol screening tests. The Breath Testing room is equipped with digital video/audio recording equipment to ensure that the best evidence possible is presented to the courts.

2020 saw the continued use of the Drager Drug Test 5000, equipment for use in the field to identify persons impaired by drugs. Most of the officers have been trained in the use of this equipment. The Smiths Falls Police Service has four constables and one sergeant trained in the operation of the Intoxilyzer 8000C. All front line officers are trained in the use of the Drager Alcotest 6810 approved screening devices. Starting in 2016, the Smiths Falls Police Service began training officers in Standardized Field Sobriety Testing. By the end of 2019 most of the front line staff had received this training.

Sgt. Klassen is trained and certified as an Intoxilyzer 8000C Field Coordinator which qualifies him to conduct Annual Refresher training for Qualified Technicians. 2020 saw challenges with the COVID-19 Pandemic requiring increased maintenance of the units, more rigid decontamination and the use of N-95 masks as Personal Protective Equipment while in the breath room conducting breath testing procedures.

For 2020, the Breath Testing Program reports the following statistics: Number of individual tests – SFPS -

Number of individual tests – of 1 6 - 10 Number of individual tests – for outside agencies - 10 Total Individual tests performed - 19

Charges Laid As a Result of Tests Conducted

Impaired Driving/Care/Control - 7

Drive Over 80 mg - 13 Refuse Breath Sample - 3

Impaired By Drug - 3

Respectfully,

Paul Klassen Sergeant/Impaired Driving Abatement Program Coordinator



COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE

The Smiths Falls Police Service operates its own Communications Centre. With the facility open to the public 24/7, Civilian Clerk Dispatchers are able to deal with people who walk in to make a report, looking for general assistance, criminal records checks and other types of inquiries. Dispatchers receive all 911 emergency calls as well as calls that come in on our non-emergency lines.

Our Communications Centre dealt with just over 8097 calls for service in 2020. This includes answering the calls, gathering all of the pertinent information and dispatching the officers when required. Providing accurate and relevant information is crucial to officer and public safety. Our Dispatchers provide a great deal of clerical support to the officers after the calls are completed. Completing paper work and court related documents assists in ensuring the officers are able to return to their proactive patrols. Our staff assist in processing requests under the Freedom of Information for reports. These have to follow strict guidelines before being released.

TECHNOLOGY

Information Technology Services is a very important part of policing. Ensuring the police services computers, servers, software and security systems are all managed properly and kept current to the latest viruses and system attacks.

IT is also responsible for all of our radio systems, communications equipment, backup systems, phones and police vehicle systems including in car computer terminals, camera recording equipment and emergency equipment.

In 2020 the Service purchased and implemented a complete new radio communication system including dispatch communication consoles, backup systems, vehicle radios as well as portable radio.

Through a provincial grant, the Service purchased and equipped one marked police vehicle with an Automated Licence Plate Reader (ALPR) able to scan hundreds of licence plates per hour while on regular patrol.



RIDE ANNUAL REPORT

The Smiths Falls Police Service continued its ongoing efforts to combat driving while impaired by alcohol or drugs during 2020. One element the police service promotes is the use of RIDE (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) spot checks.

Provincial grant funding for RIDE for the 2019-2020 program totaled \$8715.00. As a result the police service was able to conduct a total of 8 dedicated RIDE spot checks. The scheduling and staffing of the RIDE dates was supervised by Staff Sergeant Empey and occurred during the approach to the traditional Christmas holiday season.

In all, 2850 vehicles were checked. During the program one Standard Field Sobriety Test was conducted as well as one Roadside Alcohol Screening test. One impaired driving related charge was laid as well as 6 Highway Traffic Act charges during the spot checks.

Richard Labelle, Deputy Chief RIDE Program Coordinator



VEHICLE FLEET

There are currently 8 vehicles in the fleet of the Smiths Falls Police Service. Four of these vehicles are fully marked general patrol vehicles, one is an unmarked clean roof traffic enforcement vehicle, one is a criminal investigation vehicle and one is a criminal investigation/administration vehicle. The majority of the fleet is a mixture of Ford Police Utilities with two Ford Taurus and a Dodge Durango. The Service, as outlined in previous reports, had used studies conducted across Canada to make the Ford Police Utility its vehicle of choice for front line policing. Now that the Service has a police pursuit rated Dodge Durango in its fleet we will continue looking at and comparing the maintenance costs of both SUV's.

The Service constantly reviews and monitors the fleet status, repair costs and the types of repairs needed. This ongoing process allows the Service to best determine what vehicle needs to be replaced next. When a police vehicle is removed from service, it is sold at police public auction and the money received goes back to the Town's Capital Budget Reserves. Maintaining the fleet of vehicles is crucial to public safety and emergency response to calls. The Smiths Falls Police will be ordering a Dodge Charger in the coming months to replace the aging 107. The Charger is the only police sedan currently available. The vehicles are listed as follows as of January 2021:

Vehicle 101 - Vehicle 102 - Vehicle 103 -	2020 Durango 2017 Police Utility 2017 Police Utility		Admin/CIB General Patrol General Patrol
Vehicle 104 -	2012 Ford Taurus	116,000 KM	CIB
Vehicle 105 -	2015 Ford Taurus	26,000 KM	Traffic (previously Adm/CIB)
Vehicle 106 -	2018 Police Utility	48,000 KM	Patrol/ALPR
Vehicle 107 - Vehicle 110 -	2013 Ford Taurus 2010 Dodge Caravan	(5)	General Patrol Community Service

Thomas Blanchard Sergeant



PROPERTY

The Smiths Falls Police Service has dedicated property officers to oversee and manage property items. The items are retained in a dedicated, secure and on site property vault.

These property items include but are not limited to exhibits that have been seized for evidence purposes, found or surrendered. The property officers ensure all property items are managed in a way to provide continuity for court purposes and any items that can be returned to their rightful owners are.

In 2020, the following activities were overseen by the officers who manage the property and evidence of the Smiths Falls Police Service:

POLICE AUCTION

In November 2020, we held a public auction to sell a decommissioned, 2015 Ford Taurus Police Interceptor cruiser from our fleet. The auction was conducted by the Joynt Auction Company LTD. The total proceeds from the auction was \$1,807.00.

CONTROLLED DRUGS AND SUBSTANCES

All Controlled Drugs and Substances that have come into the possession of the Police Service have been properly tracked and accounted for. Any of these exhibits that require analysis for court purposes are completed by Health Canada.

FIREARMS LOG

All firearms that were seized, surrendered or stored for public safety in 2020, have been tracked and accounted for. An annual report is submitted to the appropriate Ministry for all firearms received at the Smiths Falls Police Service.

There were **676** items logged into property exhibits in 2020. At this time, all Property, Drugs and Firearms in the possession of the Smiths Falls Police Service are up to current standards.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron Tompkins Constable #38



COMMUNITY SERVICE

The year 2020 marked the 10th year that the Smiths Falls Police Service has employed an officer in the vital role of Community Service Officer! The Community Service Officer position within the Police Service has proven to be effective, wanted and warranted in our community.

This year looked much different than previous years due to the global Pandemic COVID-19 and its restrictions. When COVID-19 entered into our community, the Community Service Officer was responsible for providing up to date and correct safety protocols to our community. This was done by way of reviewing all information being sent out by the provincial government officials and our local public health officials. This information was conveyed by way of social media posts, fielding telephone calls, virtual television and radio interviews done weekly with local media outlets. This was a vital responsibility in our community as we have never experienced anything like this before. Like everyone in our community, the Community Services Officer had to adapt to a primarily online delivery system.

MOBILE CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM (MCRT): In partnership with Lanark County Mental Health and the Lanark County O.P.P., this program has expanded from its inception in 2019. MCRT now consists of two nurses and one social worker and serves the Smiths Falls and surrounding communities in Lanark County. The Community Services Officer acts as a liaison officer to MCRT and provides the opportunity to close the gaps between policing and mental health services. MCRT has the ability to attend a scene once deemed safe and can assess the person in their own living environment, come up with and make a game plan to ensure the proper follow up is done based on that patient's individual needs and circumstances.



The Community Policing Model identifies a need to involve Community Partners with a common goal to assist in making the Community Safer and to target specific areas where there is an identifiable problem. The Community Service Officer does this by:



Being a member of various boards and groups including:

The Intersections Program, Smiths Falls Municipal Drug Strategy Committee, Lanark County Municipal Drug Strategy Steering Committee, Police Coordinator for the Smiths Falls & District Crime Stoppers, Harm Reduction Committee, Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (Lanark County Mental Health), Youth at Risk (Lanark County Mental Health), Hoarding Coalition (Lanark County Mental Health), School Travel Planning Committee, Lanark County Situation Table, Emergency Crisis Response for School Bus drivers, Big Brothers Big Sisters After School Program (WAK "We are Kids"), Child Youth Advocacy Center Steering Committee and the Mobile Crisis Response Team and advisory committee.

Community presentations/engagements:

The ability to deliver presentations and engagements virtually became the new norm in 2020. The Community Service Officer was able to laisse with all of the school officials, provide presentations on bullying and online safety in the school setting. One event that the Community Services Officer was able to participate in was the annual "Turkey Trot" conducted by the staff and students at St. Francis School to raise money and food donations for our local food bank.

As part of our annual "Railway Safety Week" campaign, the Community Services Officer arranged and collaborated with Operation Lifesaver Canada, CP Rail Police and the Town of Smiths Falls Public Works Department to have bright yellow "Look Listen Live" decals installed at several of our railway crossings to promote pedestrian, cyclist and driver awareness of railway crossing safety.



Thank you,

Constable Aaron Tompkins
Community Services Officer/Media Relations



CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE

In 2020, the Smiths Falls Police Crime Unit was staffed by Detective Constable Brad Walker and Detective Constable Dave Rakobowchuk.

The Crime Unit is tasked with all major crime investigations and is also responsible for drug investigations and intelligence gathering. During the course of 2020, the Crime Unit investigated an array of criminal offences including serious assaults, large scale frauds, and drug and weapons offences.

The Smiths Falls Police Service is also a contributing member of the Criminal Intelligence Service of Ontario (CISO). As a member of this organization, the Smiths Falls Police Service assigns a member of the Crime Unit to attend regularly scheduled conferences and training held by CISO. The Smiths Falls Police Service understands the importance of intelligence sharing amongst police agencies and CISO offers valuable forum for these dialogues to take place.

Brad Walker Detective Constable #49



CALLS FOR SERVICE COMPARISONS

MONTH	2019	2020
January	624	640
February	585	542
March	694	572
April	699	551
May	681	708
June	707	1008
July	719	705
August	812	777
September	684	655
October	631	629
November	592	613
December	585	695
TOTALS	8,013	8,095



CRIME STATISTICS

	2019	2020	% CHANGE
Murder	0	0	0.0
Assault	113	118	4.4
Sexual Assault	23	18	- 21.7
Robbery	2	2	0.0
Break & Enter	54	50	- 7.4
Theft	203	185	- 8.8
Frauds	59	57	- 3.3
Bail Violation	78	118	51.2
Arson	1	2	100.0
Mischief to Property	99	94	- 5.0
Drugs	6	11	83.3
Impaired Driving - Alcohol	19	11	- 42.1
Impaired Driving – Drugs *	2	3	50.0
Domestic Disturbance (Non-Criminal)	156	139	- 10.8
Mental Health Act	350	427	22.0

^{*} New Classification in 2018

CLEARANCE RATES

Offence Type	Actual	2019 Cleared	%	Actual	2020 Cleared	%
Crimes of Violence	196	141	71.9	232	165	71.1
Property Crimes	409	97	23.7	392	85	21.7
Other Criminal Code	181	145	80.1	224	142	63.4
Drugs	6	6	100.0	11	10	90.9



MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT STATISTICS

TYPE	2018 (Final)	2019 (Final)	2020 (to Dec 31st)
FATAL INJURY	0	0	1
NON-FATAL INJURY	19	21	17
PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY	196	222	163
NON-REPORTABLE	3	3	3
OTHER	0	0	1
TOTAL SUBMITTED TO ACCIDENT SUPPORT SERVICES	218	246	185

TRAFFIC OFFENCES

TYPE	2019	2020
TRAFFIC RELATED OFFENCES	1,322	1,300/854 Vehicle stops/charges
OTHER PROVINCIAL STATUTES	50	62



MISSING PERSONS ACT

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In 2019, the Ministry of the Solicitor General introduced the Missing Persons Act. Within the act, there are guidelines on the use of "Urgent Demands" also more commonly known as Amber Alerts. Within those guidelines are reporting requirements annually on the use of Urgent Demands. It provides the Ministry statistical data as well as governing proper use of the protocol.

The Chief of Police reports annually to the Police Service Board and this information is to be made available to the public.

In 2020, the Smiths Falls Police Service did not have occasion to use the Urgent Demands protocol under the Missing Person Act.



COLLECTION OF IDENTIFYING INFORMATION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES

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In 2017, the Ministry brought in provincial regulation regarding the collection of identifying information of individuals. The legislation guides police officers as to when they ask individuals for identifying information ONLY in certain circumstances, it needs to be documented as to the circumstance (or reason), the age of the individual and the perceived race of the individual. These are classified as "attempted collections" or "identifying information collected".

The Regulation does not apply with respect to a police officer attempting to collect identifying information from an individual if there are other legislated requirements for the individual to identify themselves, the individual is under arrest or being lawfully detained, the officer is engaged in a covert operation or the officer is executing a warrant pursuant to a court order. There are specific instances when a police officer shall not attempt to collect identifying information about individuals. The Regulation also provides that police officers in certain circumstances must inform the individual of certain rights when attempting to collect identifying information.

In 2020, the Smiths Falls Police Service did not collect any identifying information in circumstances other than ones established by law.



PUBLIC COMPLAINTS

During 2020 there were 18 OIPRD complaints (Office of the Independent Police Review Director).

Jan 24 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of unnamed officers. The complaint related to an allegation of neglect of duty.

The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined to not be in the public interest to do so. (a)

Jan 24 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of unnamed officers. The complaint related to an allegation of neglect of duty.

The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined to not be in the public interest to do so. (a)

Feb 12 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of unnamed officers. The complaint related to an allegation of neglect of duty.

The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined to be frivolous. (a)

Feb 18 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of a named officer. The complaint related to an allegation of unlawful exercise of authority.

The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined to not be in the public interest to do so.

Feb 19 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of unnamed officers. The complaint related to an allegation of neglect of duty.



The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined that the precipitating incident pre-dated the creation of the OIPRD and its mandate.

Mar 3 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of unnamed officers. The complaint related to an allegation of neglect of duty.

The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined to not to be in the public interest. (a)

Mar 6 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of a named officer. The complaint related to an allegation of unlawful exercise of authority.

The Director referred the matter to the police service to investigate. (b)

This matter has yet to be concluded and an extension has been granted by the OIPRD.

Mar 20 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of a named officer. The complaint related to an allegation of unlawful exercise of authority.

The Director referred the matter to the police service to investigate. The investigation was conducted and the complainant's allegations were found to be unsubstantiated.

Apr 7 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of unnamed officers. The complaint related to an allegation of neglect of duty.

The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined to be frivolous. (a)

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Apr 28 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD with regard to police service policy. The complaint related to the release names to the press of persons accused of criminal offences.

The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined to not be in the public interest to do so.

May 13 The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of unnamed officers. The complaint related to an allegation of neglect of duty.

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Nov 6

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The Director referred the matter to the police service to investigate. (b)

The matter was ultimately resolved by means of a Customer Service Resolution to the satisfaction of the complainant.

Nov 13

The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD with regard to police service policy. The complaint related to the release names to the press of persons accused of criminal offences.

The Director of the OIPRD opted not to proceed with the complaint as it was determined to not be in the public interest to do so. (b)

Dec 14

The complainant filed a complaint with the OIPRD alleging misconduct on the part of a named officer. The complaint related to an allegation of unlawful exercise of authority.

The Director referred the matter to the police service to investigate. The matter is currently in the preliminary stages of investigation.

Notes:

- (a) One individual filed ten separate complaints which the OIPRD declined to proceed with.
- (b) One individual filed three separate complaints.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

During 2020 there were no SIU related investigations involving members of the Smiths Falls Police Service.

Richard Labelle Deputy Chief of Police

