

**OLDS & DISTRICT COMMUNITY POLICING ADVISORY SOCIETY
MINUTES – JANUARY 22, 2013 7 pm TOWN OF OLDS BOARD ROOM**

PRESENT: Joan O'Reilly, Wade Bearchell, Jim Finlay, Karen Zaretski, Al Nicholson, Blaine Heather, Bonny Bellamy, Dave Karpyschyn, Leonard Brandson, Judy Schlichenmayer

REGRETS: ; James Trombley, Troy Bryt, Corey Jasper, Wayne Milaney

CALL TO ORDER - WELCOME & INTRODUCTION (Joan O'Reilly)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Wade / Jim CARRIED

MINUTES REVIEW & APPROVAL AS CIRCULATED: (DEC 4, 2012) Al / Karen CARRIED

1. **BUSINESS ARISING:**

2. **BRIEF REPORTS - NEW BUSINESS:**

a. **FINANCIAL REPORT** (Judy)balance @ December 31, 2012 - \$1,984.42
MOTION TO ACCEPT: Judy / Bonny CARRIED

b. **OLDS RCMP REPORT** (Cpl Jay Peden / Cpl Troy Brt) - As previously mentioned, Sgt. Joe Sangster of Three Hills Detachment is the incoming S/Sgt. Although he was hoping to start commuting effective Jan. 2/13, this was not approved by the Southern Alberta District Management Team. Essentially he is waiting to sell his house in Three Hills.

- Effective February, 1st, Cpl. Jay Peden will be assuming command of Olds Detachment as Cpl. Troy Byrt will be retiring from the RCMP after 24 years. Cpl. Byrt's last scheduled shift will be Feb. 15th although will be on strength to the detachment until early June.

- Municipal employee Ron Ross tendered his resignation on Jan. 11th and his last day will be January 25th. In the process of advertising for a replacement

- Effective December 28, 2012, the RCMP post garage in Calgary closed its doors. Now if we are in the queue for a new car or need a loaner vehicle=>required to travel to Edmonton to get vehicles. Not an ideal situation. May lead to detachments "sharing resources" (i.e. vehicles) for short periods of time.

- "K" Division in the process of replacing positions which have been occupied by regular members in the past, with public servants. This is occurring in our Training Branch Section, Career Development Resource Agency (people who deal with the planning of regular member transfers, promotions, etc) plus one or two other departments. It's my understanding that by the end of March 2013, regular RCMP members in these positions will have positions elsewhere.

- Charity Checkstop on December 15th was very successful raising just over \$12,000. Proceeds were split between Mountain View Food Bank, Christmas Angels, Chinook Arch Victim Services and the Woman's Emergency Shelter

- **Bill 26 - Provincial Strategy to Reduce Impaired Driving**

- motorist charged for Impaired Operation, Over 80mg% or Refusal =immediate suspension pending disposition of charges + 3 day vehicle seizure (1st offense)/7 day vehicle seizure (2nd offense) + license is destroyed immediately
- GDL driver with any alcohol but lower than the amount which results in criminal charges=30 day suspension immediately + 7 day vehicle seizure + license destroyed
- Immediate Roadside Suspension (IRS) - Class 5 drivers (Over 50mg% but less than 80mg%)
 - 1st offense - suspended 3 days + 3 day vehicle seizure +license seized
 - 2nd offense - suspended 15 days + 7 day vehicle seizure + license destroyed
 - 3rd offense - suspended 30 days + 7 day vehicle seizure + license destroyed

We've laid approx. 19 impaired driving/over 80 charges since September 1st. Even with the new sanctions, people will continue to drink and drive.

- **distracted driving legislation** - don't have specific numbers relating to the number of charges laid since this offence falls within the same category as most of our "other moving" traffic related offences. Although it appears more people are stopping and pulling over, it continues to be an issue and will always be happening. Observe it occurring more frequently when driving in personal vehicle. In November there were some efforts made to conduct a "distracted driving" blitz in town however due to other activities, it didn't happen. Feel it is something we need to re-visit and will be discussed at the upcoming detachment meeting.

- **Passing Emergency Vehicles & Construction workers** - motorists must reduce to speed to 60 km/hr or the posted speed, whichever is lower, when passing emergency vehicles/tow trucks that are stopped with their lights flashing. This applies to the traffic lane **immediately next** to the stopped vehicle.

c. **TOWN OF OLDS PROTECTIVE SERVICES (Karen Zaretski)** Snow removal complaints, abandoned vehicles, uninsured-unlicensed vehicles, being focused on. Moved into new facility but experiencing growing pains.

d. **OLDS CITIZENS ON PATROL REPORT (Leonard Brandson/Jim Finlay)** Moving into old fire hall. Looking for new members.

e. **OLDS RURAL CRIME WATCH REPORT (Fred B)** Working on final planning stages of 2013 Provincial Conference being hosted in Olds Feb 8 – 10, 2013. Every one is welcome to register and attend. Information and forms are available on the website: oldsruralcrimewatch.ca. Next project will be security at the World Plowing Championships in July 2013. Expecting an additional 3,000 people to attend the community. We will be paying volunteers and seeking help from other groups in the community to help. Anyone interested can contact Judy. Membership Drive continues.

- f. **OLDS FISH & WILDLIFE (Adam Mirus): N/A**
- g. **TOWN OF BOWDEN COUNCILOR'S REPORT (Cory Jasper / Wayne Milaney)**
It has been quiet in our town. We had one natural in home death that the RCMP responded to. The biggest news to hit the town was the passing of Choppy (Don Poynter).
- h. **TOWN OF OLDS COUNCILOR'S REPORT (Larry Wright /Councilor Wade Bearchell)**
The Town hopes to have some of Operations and Community Service groups occupying the old firehall by the end of January. Also plans are to set up a Community Meeting Space there as well as it is well suited for that purpose. Olds Search and Rescue is slated to relocate to the 2 bay garage currently used by the Town at the Old water tower. The Olds Emergency Shelter is working on an agreement to have a facility located next to the new Fire Hall and the Police Station buildings
- i. **MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY POLICING REPORT Kevin / Al Kemere) N/A**
- j. **OLDS SEARCH & RESCUE REPORT (Jack Humphries / Jim Finlay)** Did 1st aid & security for Olds Fashioned Christmas. Couple of new members. 1st Aid and Bear-Cougar awareness courses coming up.

k. **WEBSITE PAGES ON:** <http://www.oldsruralcrimewatch.ca> and page on mountainviewcounty.com/ruralcrimewatch
NEW E-MAIL: ocp@oldsruralcrimewatch.ca

- l. **COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT (James Trombley)**
I won't be able to attend this meeting as I will be away out of town. Nothing to report from our end. If anyone has any questions/concerns re; commercial vehicles please call our office at 403-556-4313. Thank you, J. Trombley, Justice & Solicitor General, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
- m. **OLDS COLLEGE & OCSA (Doug Wagstaff / OCSA REP?) N/A**
- n. **OLDS HIGH SCHOOL (Tom Christensen) N/A**
- o. **OLDS SCOUTS (Michelle Maschke)1st Olds Scouts: N/A**

- p. **SHERIFFS / FREEWAY (Blaine HEATHER / AI NICHOLSON)** Officer's vehicle side-swiped by semi. Incident in Red Deer of shoplifting turned into robbery with knife. Suspect then fled and tried to car jack vehicle but doors were locked. Went to next vehicle and told woman to get out and get her kid out, but she left her cell phone and authorities were able to track vehicle and make an arrest. Big budget cuts – Calgary post garage being closed – everything then transferred to Edmonton.

- q. **SAFE COMMUNITIES – (Leslee Burton / AI Nicholson)** Richard Hornby has resigned as Executive Director and Leslee Burton has just started but unable to come tonight. .

- 3. CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS: - for info only
 - a) Facebook posting of Ronnie Farr, Age 15 – on bullying and standing up for yourself and those being bullied.

- 4. NEW BUSINESS

- 5. ROUND TABLE

Another scam reported – someone posing as Calgary Police Officer phoning for child program donation. In Red Deer someone was going door-to-door asking for donations to Tim Horton's Cancer fund.

- 6. ADJOURNMENT – 8:15 pm

- 7. 2013 MEETING SCHEDULE:

Jan 22	Mar 26	May 28	SEPT 24	Nov 26
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- 8. **NEXT MEETING: 7:00 pm MAR 26, 2013.** OLDS TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PRESENTER – Leslee Burton – Safe Communities TBC
 4TH Tuesday in SEP/NOV/JAN/MARCH/MAY)

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