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Coming up at 2:30 pm. it's this month's Guelph Police Services Board meeting. Here's what is coming up today:



MEETING PREVIEW: Guelph Police Services Board for July 18, 2024

July's meeting of the Guelph Police Services Board promises to be relatively light compared to the last few months (or for the months to come for that matter). Still, if you're interest...

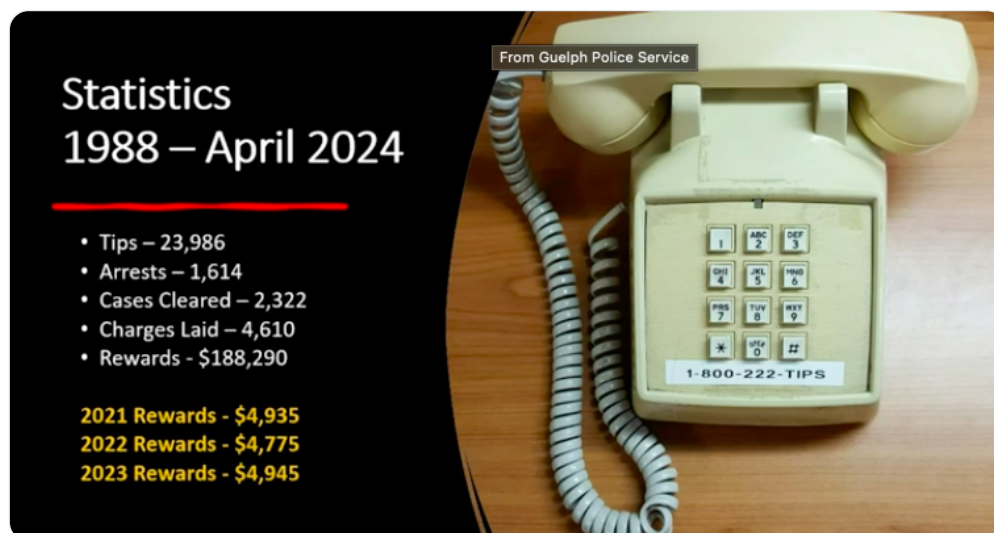
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Chair McSherry has called the meeting to order.

Declarations of Conflict or Pecuniary Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act?
Nope.

First item: Crime Stoppers Guelph Wellington Annual Report. Sarah Bowers-Peter, Program Co-ordinator will present.

Statistics from 1988 to April 2024:



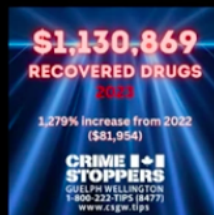
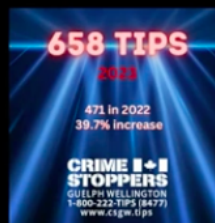
Tips and Results from 2023:

GPS Tips

- Mobile/Web tips increase over phone calls
- January – May 2017 – 114
- January – May 2018 – 184
- January – May 2019 – 219
- January – May 2020 – 189
- January – May 2021 – 185
- January – May 2022 – 92
- January – May 2023 – 143
- January – May 2024 – 126



2023



Biggest boost was in the area of recovered property, 831% increase from 2022, and 1,279% increase in the received value o drugs.



There are currently some openings on the board of directors (if you're interested):

Board Activity

- Zoom meetings & hybrid
- Board member recruitment
- Apply through website
 - Application process
 - Criminal Record Check
 - Accepted by Board
 - 90-day training period



Fundraising activities. Bowers-Peter notes that the shredding event is coming this fall but get their early because last year they fill the truck with all the shredding.

Fundraisers

- Mulch Sales: Guelph – JL's Home Hardware - on site May 4, \$2 per bag purchased to CSGW – remainder of the month \$1 per bag purchased - \$1,776; Mount Forest – Young's Home Hardware – \$3,461
- 2023 Shredding Events: Guelph – shut down early – full truck (\$9,950 raised) & Mount Forest (\$3,170)
- Road Signs being replaced with new partnerships/new look
- Always looking for new fundraising initiatives and partnerships
- Must ensure rewards can be paid to Tipsters



Raising awareness:

Awareness

- 67 (40) presentations
- In person presentations primarily
 - Crime Stoppers 101
 - Student Crime Stoppers
 - Senior Crime Stoppers
 - Human Trafficking
 - EPACT
 - S-S-S (HT training for parents)
 - Fraud Talk
 - No Room For Hate



They've also been working on cyber safety messaging with the school boards, which should be coming out at around Back to School time. They're also doing awareness at the Guelph


United games on Aug 5.

CSGW is active on social media though Facebook, Insta, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube and Twitter. Their engagement is award worthy:

2024 OACS Awards

For work in 2023

- Five awards for CSGW
- Announcement as soon as we receive the awards
- One of which is Marla Moon Memorial Award of Excellence for the 9th consecutive year



The image shows a white award plaque with black and red text. At the top, it says 'OACS winner'. Below that, 'MARLA MOON MEMORIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE'. Underneath, 'Pop. 100,001-299,999'. The bottom section features the 'CRIME STOPPERS' logo with a red Canadian flag, followed by 'GUELPH WELLINGTON', '1-800-222-TIPS (8477)', and 'www.csgw.tips'.

Got some challenges too:



Challenges

- Fundraisers
 - New ideas and keeping traditional events fresh
- Volunteer recruitment
- Radio engagement in Guelph
- Ongoing legal challenges = officer training
- Ensuring policy in place for CS Tip management

Questions? Doesn't appear to be. McSherry thanks Bowers-Peter for the update and the fine work of CSGW.

Consent agenda:

- 7.1 Human Resources Report – Member Appointments
- 7.2 2023 Final Financial Variance Report
- 7.3 Professional Standards Quarterly Report
- 7.4 Board Correspondence Report
- 7.5 Community Account Report

Nothing pulled from the consent agenda so it's approved by the board.

Next, the Chief's report. Cobey says that they've talked a lot about community operations centre and installation cameras downtown, now 18/19 are operational. Not monitored 24/7, footage held for 72hrs, and the areas they're situated are clearly marked.

There's been over 1,000 calls for service in the last few months that have been supported by the use of those cameras, Cobey notes. Allt asks about the invasion of privacy argument. Cobey says they've worked to ensure alignment with privacy commish and public expectations.

Unless there's a reason to hold on to the footage, for investigative reasons, it's overwritten after 72 hours. The cameras are in public areas and clearly marked.

Cobey on improving proactive engagement: Recently launched 2024 Youth in Policing (or Yippy program, his words), which provides summer work experience for youth over 8 weeks. They participate in policing, community and leadership activities while being a Yippy.

Cobey says that they need to be mindful that youth are the future and learn from them.

Vice-chair Armstrong asks if they keep in contact with participants once they're done? Get feedback? Cobey says yes, and every year one participant comes back for another round and offers input, but Cobey says he tries to personally get feedback before the end of the program.

New business? Nope.

That's a wrap for this meeting, no more police board business till September!



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