

## **Police Advisory Board**

### **Meeting Notes:**

- The Police Advisory Board met on December 5, 2022, with Corporal Jeff LeBlanc.
- Sergeant Daniel Gaudet is set to retire on January 3, 2023. A replacement has yet to be named.
- New member – Arnau St. Yves.
- **RCMP Report**
  - Corporal LeBlanc presented a report summarizing occurrence statistics from September 1, 2022, to December 1, 2022 (see attached).
  - 219 violations were reported, including:
    - Crime prevention (i.e., EHS assists, domestic incidents, etc.) – 47
    - False alarms – 16
    - Impaired driving – 14
    - Coroner’s Act (sudden death) – 10
    - Identity theft – 2
  - 165 traffic violations were reported / issued, including:
    - Speeding – 55
    - Check stops - 38
  - 250 other activities, including:
    - Criminal record checks – 170
    - CSO (house arrests) checks – 42
- **EHS Calls**
  - RCMP and Fire Departments are receiving an increasing number of calls from dispatch for EHS assists, with no EHS units assigned.
  - Medical First Responders within the Fire Departments are often called upon to respond to these situations in the absence of EHS, resulting in more calls and increased expenses to the departments themselves.
  - In the case of the RCMP, these additional calls are tying up resources.

- Corporal LeBlanc has raised this concern at the provincial level.
- From a municipal perspective, this may ultimately have funding implications if left unchecked.
  
- **Home Invasion – Concession**
  - The investigation is ongoing.
  - Major Crimes Unit is the lead.
  - New developments expected to be announced in January / February 2023
  - RCMP remains in contact with the victim’s family
  
- **Theft of Road Signs**
  - NS Public Works has confirmed theft of signs
  - Mostly in the Bangor / Maxwelton area
  - Approximately 15 signs to date including some municipal signs (i.e., blue village signs).
  - Media release has been issued.
  - Investigation is open.
  
- **Status of Investigation – Fish Plant, New Edinburgh**
  - The Fire Marshall has deemed the source of the fire to be “undetermined”
  - The RCMP has closed their investigation. Insufficient evidence to prove criminal action. No charges laid.
  - Insurance is proceeding with its own investigation. The process is ongoing.