



**MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE, MERRICKVILLE-
WOLFORD VILLAGE OPP DETACHMENT BOARD
DÉTACHEMENT DE LA OPP MUNICIPALITÉ DE GRENVILLE
NORD, MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD VILLAGE CONSEIL
GRENVILLE OPP DETACHMENT
DÉTACHEMENT DE LA OPP GRENVILLE**



Overview

This is the Board's annual report to Council and is brought in conjunction with the Annual Report of the Ontario Provincial Police on the delivery of police services in North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford.

A Municipality is required to provide adequate and effective police services, including:

- » Crime prevention
- » Law enforcement
- » Assistance to victims of crime
- » Maintenance of public order
- » Emergency response

To discharge this duty, both Councils of North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford entered into agreements with the Solicitor General to have police services provided by the Ontario Provincial Police, Grenville Detachment, at a cost to the Municipalities.

The Board is vested with the responsibility of monitoring the satisfactory delivery of police services in North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford, including:

- » Ensuring that the overall objectives and priorities of police services in the Municipalities are met; and
- » Managing the contract for police services, including monitoring the performance of the Detachment Commander.

The Community Safety and Policing Act came into effect April 1, 2024, effectively dissolving the North Grenville Police Services Board and terminating the existing contract for Police Services. A new contract for police services is now required the new OPP Detachment Board which will be amalgamated with the contract for the Village of Merrickville-Wolford.

Governance

Protocols And Procedures

Currently, the Grenville OPP Detachment Board does not have Protocols and Procedures governing the effective delivery of Police Services for both communities. New Policies and Procedures must be developed given the new structure of the board and it's scope in covering two separate municipalities.

In the past, the following Protocols and Procedures have governed the effective delivery of police services in North Grenville:

- » Protocol for the Handling of Resident Traffic Complaints
- » Protocol for the Review of the Detachment Commander's Administration of the Complaints System Under Part V of the Police Services Act
- » Protocol for the Sharing of Information Between the North Grenville Police Services Board and Council of the Municipality of North Grenville
- » Protocol for the Monitoring of the Performance of the Detachment Commander Between the North Grenville Police Services Board and the Ontario Provincial Police Regional Commander
- » North Grenville Police Services Board Rules and Procedures
- » North Grenville Police Services Board – Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services Provincial Counter-Terrorism Plan

Protocols and Procedures to govern the Board will be developed by North Grenville staff, in consultation with Merrickville-Wolford, in the coming months.

To assist the Board in the discharge of its duties, the Board receives monthly reports from the Detachment Commander, including performance statistics, crime statistics, and updates on prevention initiatives undertaken by the Board or the O.P.P.



Notable Achievements In 2024

The following initiatives were continued in North Grenville in 2024 while implementing the new OPP Detachment board structure:

- » Continued funding of the Award-Winning North Grenville Road Safety Campaign.
- » Arrangements for the production and installation of two (2) billboards for the “Remember Adam Campaign” Installation to take place in 2025 in partnership with the O.P.P. and Lockwood Brothers Construction. Funds allotted at part of previous year’s budget and will be carried forward to complete the project.
- » Continued support for Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Canada, Courageous K9s and RNJ Youth Services
- » Collaboration with four (4) local schools, including North Grenville District High School, to provide bursaries to students pursuing post-secondary education with demonstrated leaderships skills in school and the community.
- » Appointments to the OPP Detachment Board which is now joint with the Village of Merrickville-Wolford completed. Awaiting two provincially appointed member positions which will also apply.
- » Proceeds of Crime – Front Line Policing (POC-FLP) Grant was successfully secured in partnership with the Grenville O.P.P. detachment located in Kemptville. A maximum amount of \$600,000 has been granted over a period of three years. The agreement was executed in 2024.

Ontario Association of Police Services Board (OAPSB) – Zone 2 Membership



OAPSB membership offers many benefits, including the opportunity for members of the Board to meet public safety policy makers, program evaluators, and key stakeholders. Moreover, the Board has the opportunity to advocate for public safety costs and concerns. The Board also has the benefit of attending events, such as the annual OAPSB conference. Other benefits include self-study guides regarding police governance, networking, and more. Membership was not maintained during 2024 given the launch of the new Board. Staff will budget for this membership in 2025.

Conclusion

The Grenville OPP Detachment Board was enacted under new legislation in 2024. The new Board is committed to overseeing the delivery of police services in the North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford municipalities. The Board is committed to maintaining transparency and accountability between the public and the police and engaging in crime prevention related measures.

Membership & Contact Information

North Grenville

- » Mayor Nancy Peckford (Co-Chair)
- » Gregory Brown
- » Jim Goodman
- » Tim Wasylo

Merrickville-Wolford

- » Mayor Michael Cameron (Co-Chair)
- » Jacques Pelletier
- » Christopher Scott

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