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## **Belleville Police Service Board Meeting Highlights**

Date: May 19, 2026

### **Commendations & Recognitions**

#### **Chief's Commendation: Matt Sinclair**

Matt Sinclair was commended for his exceptional leadership and dedication during the successful migration to NG911. From the project's inception years ago, Matt has been instrumental, providing continuous feedback and unwavering support to the Director of Emergency Communications and the Dispatch team throughout the entire NG911 timeline. In the final stages, Matt produced a detailed seven-page document outlining roles, timelines, activities, and contingency plans, which was critical to the project's smooth completion. His initiative, attention to detail, and ability to coordinate the team were decisive to the project's success. He is highly deserving of recognition for his outstanding contributions to the NG911 migration and our Service's technological growth.



#### **Chief's Commendation: Ramada Case**

The successful resolution of the 2000 Ramada Inn sexual assault stands as one of the most significant investigative achievements in recent Belleville Police Service history

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and a shining example of teamwork. After more than two decades without answers, the combined efforts of detectives, forensic specialists, sworn officers, civilian personnel, and external partners culminated in a guilty plea and a 13-year sentence delivered in 2025, bringing long-overdue justice to the victim and pride to the Service.

This accomplishment highlights the power of collaboration across divisions, generations, and jurisdictions. It reflects strategic leadership, investigative persistence, forensic innovation, legal coordination, and strong community partnership. Most importantly, it delivered long-awaited accountability for the victim after 25 years.

**This recognition is extended to the entire Belleville Police Service** team involved in this investigation. Every member, past and present, in every role, whether large or small, visible or behind the scenes, contributed through their dedication, expertise, and perseverance to this landmark success. While not every individual can be named, all share in this achievement, and together the team stands as an exemplary model of excellence, resilience, and innovation in policing.



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### **Recognition: OWLE Teamwork Award**

Inspector Jeremy Ashley – Ident  
S/Sgt Mike Kiley – CID  
D/Cst Rachel Sweet – Detective  
D/Cst Andrea Boulay – Detective  
D/Cst Chad Stein – MCM  
Kiera Reid – MCM

Members of the Belleville Police Service received the OWLE Teamwork Award for the collaborative work, dedication, and innovation demonstrated throughout the Ramada case. Over more than two decades, detectives, forensic specialists, sworn officers, civilian personnel, and external partners worked tirelessly to advance the investigation, culminating in a guilty plea and a 13-year sentence in 2025, bringing long-overdue justice to the victim and pride to the Service.

For its collaborative excellence, resilience, innovation, and broad implications for investigative practice, the Belleville Police Service team responsible for resolving the Ramada Inn case stands as an exemplary recipient of the OWLE Teamwork Award.



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### **Recognition: OWLE Nomination – Anne Brennan-Walsh**

Anne Brennan-Walsh was nominated for the OWLE Association Leadership Award in recognition of her longstanding leadership, advocacy, and contributions to the Belleville Police Service and broader policing community. From her early work in the Control Room and Records Management to her roles as Civilian Representative and Vice President of the Police Association, Anne has demonstrated tireless dedication to professional excellence, governance, and service. Her leadership within the Freedom of Information Department since 2014 has had a lasting impact on colleagues and the Service, and her nomination reflects the high regard in which she is held across Ontario policing.

### **Recognition: National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week**

In celebration of National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, the Belleville Police Service is proud to recognize that our 911 communicators have been awarded for their outstanding service with a special award from GM/OnStar. Each year, GM/OnStar selects a public safety service to honour. This year, GM/OnStar recognized the

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Belleville Police Service for the exceptional dedication, professionalism and ongoing commitment to community safety.



## Presentation

### Finance Annual Report

Daniel Ringham, Director of Finance, delivered the 2025 Annual Report. Highlights included:

- In 2025 the Belleville Police Service requested and was approved by the Police Service Board and Belleville City Council for an Operating Budget of **\$28,993,500** aimed at addressing the following:
  - Community Safety
  - Adherence with the Community Safety and Policing Act
  - Asset Management Planning
- 2025 Financial Summary:
  - The 2025 operating budget was a surplus of \$404,585, which was transferred to the BPS Reserve Fund.
- Staffing:

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- Salaries, pensions, and benefits totaled 82% of the 2025 operating expenses (\$25,200,322).
- Sworn staffing levels continued to be a significant pressure in 2025 ending the year with 103 total members, compared to an authorized complement of 115 members.
- The staffing pressure was further amplified from higher service demands including:
  - A 14.2% rise year-over-year in calls for service totaling 32,662 calls in 2025.
  - A 17% increase in reported crimes year-over-year totaling 4,699 in 2025.
- Civilian staffing increased to address additional pressures, including increased demand for video redaction, crown briefs processed, CPIC verifications, bail hearings, courthouse screenings and prisoner transport.

### **Other Discussion Items:**

#### **190th Anniversary Planning:**

- Preparations are well underway and Police Week (May 10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026) served as the official launch. Celebration activities include:
  - Glanmore National Historic Site opened 190 Years of the Belleville Police Service Exhibit
  - Downtown Walking Tour launched highlighting former police headquarters
  - Community Archives of Belleville and Hastings County showcasing archival records and photographs as part of On the Beat in Belleville
  - June 18: BPS Open House – celebrate 190 years! [Time Slots are available and registration is required.](#)
  - The Belleville Police Service will share historical facts and stories on social media celebrating our long history of service.
  - Commemorative items, including challenge coins and die-cast police car will be made available for purchase.
  - A specially commissioned book, published by the Hastings County Historical Society, chronicles 190 years of the Belleville Police Service. At over 200 pages with approximately 100 photos, it features detailed histories, 600 names of policemen, magistrates, mayors, and a few infamous criminals, as well as stories of bravery, daily life, and humorous moments. The book will be available for purchase.

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