# MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS

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## **BY-LAW #82**

## POLICE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- 1. This By-law shall be known as the Police Services Advisory Committee By-law.
- 2. The Council of the Municipality of the County of Kings hereby establishes a committee known as the Police Services Advisory Committee which shall advise Council on all policing matters within and affecting the Municipality of the County of Kings.
- 3. The Committee shall be comprised of eight (8) members, who shall be appointed by the Council as follows:
  - (a) five (5) Councillors, three (3) representing the area served by the New Minas Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachment and two (2) representing the area served by the Kingston Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachment.
  - (b) three non-councillors who are residents of the Municipality and who shall be appointed on the following basis: one member from each of the Western, Central, and Eastern areas of the Municipality, as shown on Schedule "A". Should Council not receive any applications for citizen members from a designated geographic area, Council may appoint an applicant from another part of the Municipality to represent that area.
- 4. The Councillors who are appointed to the Committee shall hold office for one year from the date of their appointments.
- 5. The duties of the Police Services Advisory Committee will be as follows:
  - (1) Act in an advisory capacity to Municipal Council in matters pertaining to the provision of policing services.
  - (2) Provide a forum for regular liaison and discussion between Municipal Council and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police concerning policing service within the Municipality, including deployment and number of personnel.
  - (3) To discuss community concerns relative to policing service and, in cooperation with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, establish enforcement priorities.

- (4) To advise Council concerning all financial and budgetary matters related to the provision of policing service.
- (5) To support the current community policing philosophy through assistance in coordinating policing services with the programs of other local agencies and community groups to ensure the most effective use of policing resources in the community.
- (6) To provide a forum for residents, taxpayers, business people, concerned citizens or groups to present, either in camera or in an open meeting, their complaints, concerns, or requests to both Municipal Council and to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
- 6. The Committee shall meet at least four (4) times each year. Additional meetings may be called at the request of the Chair with at least one week's prior notice. Emergency meetings to deal with critical issues may be called on 24 hours notice.
- 7. All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public unless related to a legal opinion, personnel issue, or confidential police information.
- 8. The Committee shall be responsible to Council and shall report to it at its regular meetings through the members of Council on the Committee.
- 9. The Committee shall keep full minutes of all its proceedings, and report such minutes together with an account of its proceedings.

## History of this By-law

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