

Department 11 – Police Services

Overview

This department includes all policing costs incurred for both Police Services: the Ontario Provincial Police (O.P.P.) and the Peterborough Police Service.

Revenues

The costs of policing are funded through two area rates with the assessment in the Smith, Ennismore and Douro-Dummer wards applied against the annual net costs for O.P.P and the assessment in the Lakefield ward applied against the annual net costs for Peterborough Police Services.

Typically there would be provision for the annual R.I.D.E. initiative for the Smith-Ennismore wards. However, this program has been put on hold by the Ministry until further notice and therefore this program is not provided for in the 2026 budget.

The amount raised through the area rate for O.P.P. service in 2026 will increase to align with the increase in the estimated billing amount (\$235,280). The rate will be adequate to fund the actual costs of the contract. The Township has a reserve in place to offset unexpected fluctuations related to annual reconciliations and to assist with the phase-in of any significant future increases.

The Peterborough Police Service area rate will increase in 2026 to accommodate the increase in the annual contract amount (\$49,037). A 2.5% contingency amount to accommodate any extra charges incurred is provided for and is funded by accumulated revenue. Similar to the O.P.P, a reserve is in place to off-set the cost of any overtime or specialized services which would be billed based on actual cost, should they be required.

Expenditures

O.P.P.

On April 1st, 2024 the Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA) came into force. Under this legislation municipalities no longer have fixed term contracts to obtain for OPP services. However, pursuant to Section 22(2)2 of the CSPA, any municipality that is policed by more than one policing service, such as Selwyn, is required to enter into an agreement with the Commissioner to assume policing responsibility for the area policed by the OPP. The agreement required for Selwyn was entered in 2024 and remains in effect indefinitely unless terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Act. The agreement does not impact the current payment model or policing services provided by the OPP.

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The billing model utilizes a base cost per property (residential, seasonal residential and occupied commercial and industrial property) plus an amount for calls for service which is based upon a four-year rolling average of the Township's actual calls for service.

A reconciliation is completed annually to ensure municipalities pay for the actual overtime hours incurred and actual wage/salary rates paid (collective agreement changes, grid level of constables in the detachment). The impact of the reconciliation is reflected in the following year's billing, i.e. the 2024 reconciliation will be reflected on the 2026 billing. The 2024 reconciliation resulted in an additional cost of \$208,281 to the Township which is included in the 2026 billing and is funded by reserve.

Council may recall that the original estimate and reconciliation amounts received from the Solicitor General for 2025 were much higher than the previous years. The Province provided financial support in 2025 to alleviate the impact of the increase in that year and committed to reviewing the billing model "*to ensure that it meets the needs of communities across the province.*" The result of that review was to provide for a cap of 11% on the increase experienced by the municipalities in 2026.

With the implementation of the CSPA in 2024, the Smith-Ennismore Police Services Board was eliminated and a Peterborough County OPP Detachment Board with representation from all municipalities and First Nations served by the Detachment was created. In accordance with the Regulations under the CSPA, the Township will be required to contribute a 1/7th share of the costs of the Board. As a proposed budget has not yet been received from the Board, the budget includes an allocation of \$ 5,866 to accommodate these costs.

Expenditures relating to the operation of the extended services office for the O.P.P. in Bridgenorth have been included.

The attached spreadsheet outlines the 2026 costs associated with O.P.P. policing in the Smith and Ennismore Wards.

Peterborough Police Service



In 2015 the Township commenced policing of the Lakefield Ward by way of a contract with the new Peterborough Police Service. In 2025, this contract was renewed for a five-year period commencing January 1, 2026.

The service level being provided for in the agreement is the same as that previously provided by the amalgamated police service. The established costs are based upon the actual cost of the services and do not include the cost of any overtime or additional criminal investigation or special services. Any cost incurred in these areas will be in addition to the contract price. The

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Peterborough Police have not yet advised the Township of any additional costs related to any such incidents in 2025. Such costs would be covered via a transfer from the Lakefield Policing Contingency Reserve.

The amount being collected through the area rate in 2026 will cover the costs of the contract. The contract amount increased by \$49,037 for 2026. The contingency amount as well as the operation costs and building-related expenses of the administrative office located in Lakefield are being funded through accumulated revenue.

The attached spreadsheet outlines all of the 2026 costs associated with policing in the Lakefield Ward.

Activity Update – Beyond Budget and Dollars and Cents

The Smith-Ennismore Community Policing Committee has formalized its intention to wrap-up its volunteer services commencing in 2026. The community volunteers were historically very active in delivering speed awareness programs and supporting in-person inquiries at the Community Policing Office. With the introduction of new speed awareness tools (Black Cat and Speed Awareness Board) shifting to Township staff and on-line services offered through the OPP, the needs for the volunteers have diminished. In the past, volunteers also focused their efforts on education initiatives such as Lock It or Lose It and marine safety. These initiatives are now primarily delivered through online platforms, with less emphasis on in-person engagement. There also appears to be a reduced interest among younger individuals, including those enrolled/or interested in the Police Foundations programs, in volunteering with Community initiatives.

The Township greatly appreciates the many years of service provided by Community Policing volunteers in implementing community safety initiatives and recognizes that evolving conditions have impacted the role of the Committee.

The office will remain available as the extended service office for the OPP officers. The Township is currently working through the logistics related to the office space to determine ongoing needs for internet, telephone, and computer services.

Twp. of Selwyn
 Analysis of Police Costs
 Area Rate Calculations - 2026

Summary of All Police Services

Revenues:

Misc receipts - including any OPP reconciliation	20,000	
Police Fines	0	
R.I.D.E. Grant - to match OPP expenses	0	
Provincial Grants	120,817	
Accumulated Revenue - carried forward	296,374	
Transfer from Reserve	<u>208,281</u>	
 Total Revenues		 645,472

Expenses:

Base Contract Amounts	3,233,885	
Add'l Contract Amounts & Contingencies	<u>227,355</u>	
		3,461,240

General Admin. Expenses:

PSB Members	6,740	
Training & Seminars	0	
Meeting Expenses	250	
Memberships	0	
Office Supplies	750	
Insurance	10,390	
Telephone	11,550	
Internet	1,600	
RIDE - OPP	<u>0</u>	
		31,280

Police Buildings:

Bldg. Rents	34,163	
Caretaker/Cleaning	2,858	
Bldg. Maintenance	10,000	
Hydro	4,300	
Water & Sewer	1,100	
Heating Fuel	2,000	
Security Monitoring	<u>375</u>	
		54,796

Transfers:

Transfer to Accumulated Revenues	235,322	
Transfer to Reserve	<u>0</u>	
		235,322

Total Expenses		<u>3,782,639</u>
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Net - to be raised through area rates (to match base contract)		<u>3,137,167</u>
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Net - raised through area rate in prior year		2,852,850
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Decrease over prior year	9.97%	<u><u>284,317</u></u>
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Wards 1, 2 & 4: O.P.P.

Revenues:

R.I.D.E. Grant - to match expenses	????	0	
Provincial Funding (Court Security Grant and 2026 Offset)		112,817	
Reconciliation from OPP - 2024 adjustment (actually a charge - see below)		0	
Misc. Receipts - from detachment office		20,000	
Accumulated Revenue - surplus carried forward from prior years		183,105	
Transfer from OPP reserve		<u>208,281</u>	
 Total Revenues			 524,203

Expenses:

Estimated Costs:

Base Service		1,571,586	
Calls for service		759,438	
Overtime		74,868	
Prisoner Transportation		16,099	
Accommodation and Cleaning Services		48,917	
Total Estimated Contract Amount	2,374,190	<u>2,470,908</u>	

Adjustments:

Contingency for wage adjustments (set for 2026 - not required)	0.00%	0	
Reconciliation from OPP - 2024 adjustment		<u>208,281</u>	
O.P.P. Contract plus wage contingency (if any)			2,679,189

General Admin. Expenses:

PSB Members - payment to County OPP Board		5,866	
Training & Seminars		0	
Meeting Expenses		0	
Memberships		0	
Office Supplies		250	
Insurance		3,245	
Telephone - Bridgenorth Office		3,650	
Internet Access		1,600	
RIDE		<u>0</u>	
			14,611

Police Buildings:

Bldg. Rent - updated for 2026		17,082	
Caretaker/Cleaning		1,892	
Bldg. Maintenance		5,000	
Hydro Charges		2,100	
Water		500	
Heating Fuel		2,000	
Security Monitoring		<u>275</u>	
			28,849

Transfers:

Transfer to Accumulated Revenues		175,744	
Transfer to Reserve		<u>0</u>	
			175,744

Total Expenses 2,898,393

Net - to be raised through area rate 2,374,190 to match OPP contract

Net - raised through area rate in prior year 2,138,910

Increase over prior year 11.00% 235,280

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Ward 3 - Policing for Lakefield

Revenues:

Police Fines	0	
Provincial Funding (court security & related grant)	8,000	
Accumulated Revenue - surplus carried forward from prior years	113,269	
Total Revenues		121,269

Expenses:

Peterborough Police Contract Amount	762,977	
Peterborough Police Contract Contingency - 2.5% of agreement amt.	19,074	
		782,051

General Admin. Expenses:

Advisory Member		874	
Training & Seminars		0	
Meeting Expenses		250	
Memberships		0	
Office Supplies		500	
Insurance - Twp. Policy	2,245		
- City Policy - Agrmt Section 8	4,900		
		7,145	
Telephone		7,900	
Internet Access		0	
			16,669

Police Buildings:

Bldg. Rent - updated for 2026		17,082	
Caretaker/Cleaning		966	
Bldg. Maintenance		5,000	
Hydro		2,200	
Water & Sewer		600	
Heating Fuel - River Den is electric		0	
Security Monitoring		100	
			25,948

Transfers:

Transfer to Accumulated Revenues		59,578	
Transfer to Reserve		0	
			59,578

Total Expenses			884,246
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Net - to be raised through area rate	to match Ptbo. Contract	762,977
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Net - raised through area rate in prior year		713,940
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Decrease over prior year	6.87%	49,037
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