

Police Advisory Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, July 26, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

MODL Council Chambers – 10 Allée Champlain Drive, Cookville

- 1. **Call to Order**
- 2. **Public Input** (15 minutes)
- 3. **Approval of Agenda** (as circulated)
- 4. **Business Arising from the Notes**
- 5. **New Business**
 - 5.1 Presentation re Police Record Checks, Brandon Guilmette and Jean-Michel Blais, Forest Green Solutions..... 1-6
- 6. **Committee Member Matters**
 - 6.1 Mass Casualty Commission report (D. Kelly) 7-9
- 7. **Added Items**
- 8. **In Camera**
 - 8.1. Public Security under Section 22(2)(h) - RCMP Report January to March 2023
- 9. **Adjournment**



Police Advisory Board

Item #: 5.1

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Online Criminal Record Checks

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- **History**

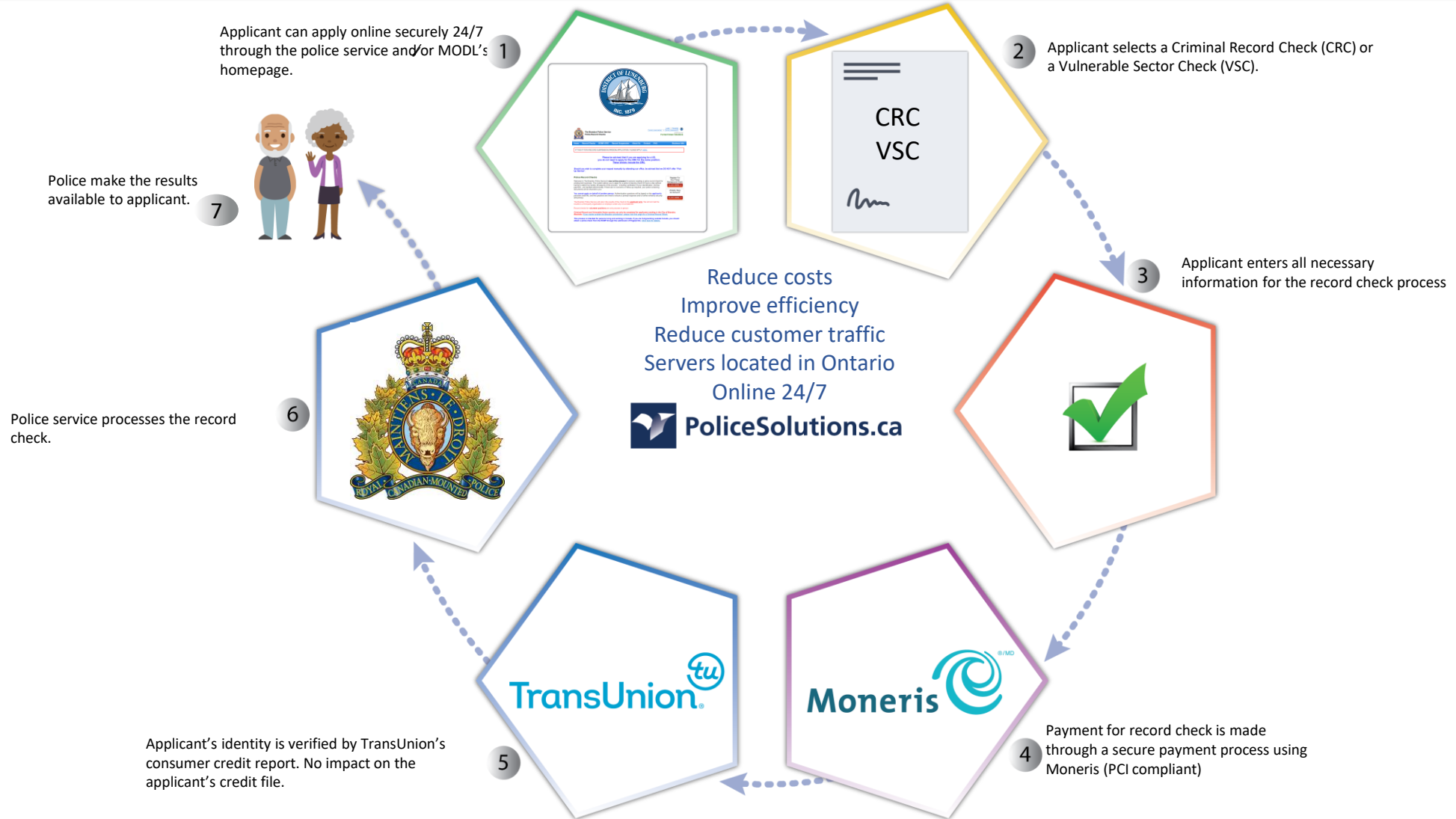
- **Types of checks:**

- 1) Standard Record Check**
- 2) Vulnerable Sector Checks**

- **Types of processes:**

- 1) Police service checks**
- 2) Virtual front counters – CPIC farms**
- 3) Virtual front counters – police-led**

Forrest Green's Online Police Record Check Solution



The Forrest Green Advantage



1. User Convenience



2. No Cost to RCMP or to MODL



3. Significant Operational Efficiencies = Cost Savings



4. Free Training / Support



5. Enhanced Information Security



6. Free Open-Source Data Dashboards for RCMP and PAB



7. Canadian Servers & Canadian Development



8. Developed “By Police for Police”



9. Ease of implementation: Off-the-shelf product



10. Sole Source



Some of Our Customers Across Canada



New-Brunswick

- Saint John Police Force
- Kennebecasis Regional Police Force*
- Fredericton Police Force*
- Woodstock Police Force
- Edmundston Police Force*
- Bathurst Police Force*
- BNPP Regional Police Force*
- Grand Falls Police Force*
- Miramichi Police Force*

Ontario

- Toronto Police Service
- Chatham-Kent Police Service
- London Police Service
- Hamilton Police Service
- Halton Regional Police Service
- Cornwall Police Service*
- Woodstock Police Service
- Niagara Regional Police Service
- Barrie Police Service

Manitoba

- Winnipeg Police Service
- Brandon Police Service
- Rivers Police Service
- Sainte-Anne Police Service
- Winkler Police Service

British Columbia

- Abbotsford Police Department
- Delta Police Department
- West Vancouver Police Department

First Nations

- Anishinabek Police Service (ON)
- UCCM Anishnaabe Police (ON)
- Manitoba First Nations Police Service (MB)

Saskatchewan

- Regina Police Service
- Saskatoon Police Service
- Prince Albert Police Service
- Moose Jaw Police Service
- Estevan Police Service
- Weyburn Police Service

Alberta

- Calgary Police Service
- Medicine Hat Police Service
- Edmonton Police Service

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On CBC radio this spring there was a program on the role of Police Advisory Boards. The topic was raised as PAB's received a number of recommendations within the Mass Casualty Commission Report, "Turning the Tide Together."

I would assume, at some point, the Province of NS government (Department of Justice) will review and/or implement some of these recommendations. I believe our group should at least know what these recommendations state and how we can prepare for those that are most likely to be adopted.

110: Recommendation P.61

POLICE GOVERNANCE IN NOVA SCOTIA

The Commission recommends that

(a) The provincial Department of Justice design and provide mandatory standard training in police governance.

IMPLEMENTATION POINTS

This training should be mandatory for:

- every municipal police chief, H Division RCMP commanding officer, and detachment commander;
- provincial and municipal civil servants whose work includes the administration of police; and
- police board members and police advisory board members.

This training should:

- address the governance, oversight, and democratic accountability functions of police boards and police advisory boards;
- incorporate the eight principles of policing;
- address findings, lessons learned, and recommendations set out in this report, the Marshall Report, the Ipperwash Report, the Morden Report, the Thunder Bay Police Services Report, the Epstein Report, the Wortley Report, and the Public Order Emergency Commission Report; and
- explain the respective roles and responsibilities of board members, police leaders, and civil servants.

(b) The Nova Scotia Department of Justice should prepare a police board manual and police advisory board manual.

IMPLEMENTATION POINTS

This manual should:

- be published on the Nova Scotia Department of Justice website;
- address the governance, oversight, and democratic accountability functions of police boards and police advisory boards; and
- set out the roles and responsibilities of board members, police leaders, and civil servants.

[MassCasualtyCommission.ca](https://www.masscasualtycommission.ca) | [CommissionDesPertesMassives.ca](https://www.commissiondespertesmassives.ca)

(c) Municipalities should provide adequate funding to police boards to permit them to conduct independent research, seek legal advice, maintain records, and otherwise discharge their governance role.

(d) Municipalities and the Province of Nova Scotia should ensure that police boards and police advisory boards are fully staffed and performing their governance function.

IMPLEMENTATION POINTS

- All seats on police boards and police advisory boards should be filled through robust recruitment initiatives for qualified and diverse candidates able to make the necessary time commitment;
- municipalities and the province should ensure that boards are meeting at least every three months, in accordance with the Police Act; and
- where a board is not meeting, or a board member is not attending meetings, that failure must be addressed in no more than the span of two meetings.

(e) The Province of Nova Scotia should support police boards and police advisory boards to establish an independent website and public contact information to facilitate direct communication with the communities they represent and to facilitate sharing best practices with other police boards.

IMPLEMENTATION POINTS

- This website should host board governance policies, procedures, written directions to chief officers, and records of key decisions taken by the board; and
- where written directions or records of key decisions cannot be made public due to operational relevance or for other reasons, a summary of the nature of the direction must be posted as an interim measure, and the direction or decision itself should be posted if and when the reason for withholding that information lapses.

(f) Police boards and police advisory boards should hold their meetings in a place customarily open to the public. Advance notice of the time, place, agenda, and expected speakers should be posted on the board website.

(g) Police board members and police advisory board members should be proactive in establishing relationships with other community safety providers and with members of communities that have historically been underserved and overpoliced.

(h) Municipalities and the Province of Nova Scotia should ensure that police board members and police advisory board members are fairly compensated for their work if they are not serving as part of another paid role (e.g., as a municipal employee). Lack of compensation is a barrier to the participation of many community members whose voices should be represented in police governance.