Committee: Police Services Board

Organization/Sector represented: N/A

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Occupation: Municipal Chief Administrative Officer

Work experience: I have been a municipal CAO for 22 years working at three different municipal corporations. I been in this position with the Township of Zorra since 1996. In my experience I have gained an understanding of provincial legislation including the Police Services Act.

Education: I attended Wilfrid Laurier University and the University of Windsor. I obtained a diploma from Fanshawe College in Municipal Administration. I am a member in good standing of the Ontario Municipal Administrators' Association and the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators.

Skills: Through my work experience I have gained extensive knowledge of municipal operations, budgeting and finance, municipal by-laws, policing services and a general understating of the Police Services Act. From a pragmatic standpoint, I have sensitivity for balancing the financial pressures of tax payers versus the needs and wants of a municipal corporation.

Interest reason: Policing in Ontario, and in London, is quickly reaching a crisis point of affordability. Given these financial constraints, I feel that my background and expertise can benefit the Board and the London Police Services.

Contributions: I feel that my financial and budgeting expertise, an excellent understanding of the function of policing services would allow me to be a high functioning and contributing member of the Police Services Board.

Past contributions: I am past Chair of the Board of Directors of the Public Services Health and Safety Association of Ontario as well as Part Chair of the Municipal Health and Safety Association of Ontario. I am presently a member of the Board of Directors of the London Junior Knights Minor Hockey Association. I was also a member of the Board of Directors for the Ontario Municipal Administrators' Association.

Interpersonal: My Board experience along with being a CAO have allowed me to gain considerable experience in group dynamics and working collectively with a diverse group of individuals with differing opinions. The Boards I have served on had members from many different occupations and geographic dispersion. This has enhanced my breadth of knowledge beyond the municipal setting and given me a different perspective on how decisions are arrived at in a business setting.

Interview interest: Yes