



Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, March 25, 2026, 3:00 p.m.

McNaughton Room - 3rd Floor, City Hall

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1. **Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee Meeting 01-2026**

Chair: Geoff Abthorpe

2. **Members**

Geoff Abthorpe, Advisor - Mental Health

Eric Bilenki, Advisor - Not for Profit Organization

Paul Capon, Advisor - Indigenous Organization

Jodi Corbett, Educational Services

Andrea Docherty, Services to Improve Physical or Mental Health

Councillor Kasey Etreni

Chief Darcy Fleury - Thunder Bay Police Service (TBPS)

Brice Morriveau, Advisor - Indigenous Community

Jennifer Pasiciel, Advisor - Public Health

Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

Roopa Rakshit, Advisor - Multicultural Community

Crystal Simeoni, Community or Social Services

Yen To, Advisor - Substance MisUse

Diane Walker, Community or Social Services to Children or Youth

3. **Officials**

Cynthia Olsen, Director - Strategy & Engagement

Shane Muir, Chief - Superior North EMS

Louisa Costanzo, Manager - Community Safety & Well-Being

Rachel Globensky, Drug Strategy Specialist

Lori Wiitala, Committee Clerk/Legislative Specialist

4. **Land Acknowledgement**

A Member of the CSWB Advisory Committee will provide a land acknowledgement.

5. **Welcome and Disclosures of Interest**

6. **Agenda Approval**

WITH RESPECT to the March 25, 2026, meeting of the Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

7. Presentations

7.1 Gender Based Violence Framework Presentation

Marianne Stewart, Manager - Children, Youth and Families - Thunder Bay District Health Unit to provide a presentation on gender based violence framework.

7.2 Community Safety & Well-Being Plan Engagement Update

Louisa Costanzo, Manager - Community Safety & Well-Being to provide a presentation on engagement activities, preliminary themes, and next steps in the CSWB planning process.

8. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of Meeting 05-2025 Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee, held on November 26, 2025, to be confirmed.

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THAT the Minutes of Meeting 05-2025 Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee, held on November 26, 2025, be confirmed.

9. Roundtable and Announcements

10. New Business

11. Meeting Schedule

The Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee will meet a minimum of six times annually or at the call of the Chair, with the exception of July and August, in the McNaughton Room, from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

The proposed meeting dates follow:

- Wednesday, May 27, 2026
- Wednesday, June 24, 2026
- Wednesday, September 23, 2026
- Wednesday, October 28, 2026
- Wednesday, November 25, 2026

12. Adjournment



Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 26, 2025, 3:00 p.m.

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1. Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee Meeting 05-2025

Vice-Chair: Geoff Abthorpe

2. Members

Mayor Ken Boshcoff - City Council

Councillor Kasey Etrene - City Council

Chief Darcy Fleury - Thunder Bay Police Service (TBPS)

Geoff Abthorpe, Advisor - Mental Health

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Shane Muir, Chief - Superior North EMS

Louisa Costanzo, Manager - Community Safety & Well-Being

Rilee Willianen, Drug Strategy Specialist

Kelly Hell, Committee Clerk

4. Welcome and Disclosures of Interest

None.

5. Land Acknowledgement

Geoff Abthorpe provided the Land Acknowledgement.

6. Election of Chair

Committee Clerk Kelly Hell administered nominations for the position of Chair of the Community Safety & Well-Being Advisory Committee for 2026.

MOVED BY: Paul Capon
SECONDED BY: Shane Muir

WITH RESECT to the position of Chair of the Community Safety & Well-Being Advisory Committee, we recommend that Geoff Abthorpe be appointed Chair of the Committee for the remainder of the 2026 calendar year, and until a replacement has been appointed, as required annually.

CARRIED

Committee Clerk Kelly Hell administered nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Community Safety & Well-Being Advisory Committee for 2026.

MOVED BY: Paul Capon
SECONDED BY: Shane Muir

WITH RESPECT to the position of Vice-Chair of the Community Safety & Well-Being Advisory Committee, we recommend that Diane Walker be appointed Vice-Chair of the Committee for the remainder of the 2026 calendar year, and until a replacement has been appointed, as required annually.

CARRIED

The committee will review the Terms of Reference as required annually and will consider replacing the titles Chair and Vice-Chair with Co-Chair.

7. Agenda Approval

MOVED BY: Chief Fleury
SECONDED BY: Paul Capon

WITH RESPECT to the November 26, 2025, meeting of the Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

8. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of Meeting 05-2025 Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee, held on November 26, 2025, to be confirmed.

MOVED BY: Diane Walker
SECONDED BY: Andrea Docherty

THAT the Minutes of Meeting 05-2025 Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee, held on November 26, 2025, be confirmed.

CARRIED

Information session notes from October 22, 2025, provided, for information.

9. Community Safety & Well-Being Forum

Louisa Costanzo, Manager - Community Safety & Well-Being provided a detailed report on the success of the event for information.

An opportunity was provided to the committee to provide their feedback and the following points were discussed:

- The panel discussion did not address senior care and support
- There is a need for shared responsibility across community organizations
- Work to shift narrative from “unsafe” to a “safer city” needs to take place

10. Data Points Review and Discussion

Louisa Costanzo, Manager – Community Safety & Well-Being provided proposed data points for the committee to review and provide input on at the next Community Safety & Well-Being meeting in 2026. The committee can then

review and compare the data points from the last plan.

11. Next Steps for CSWB Planning

A discussion was held regarding where the Community Safety & Well-Being Committee is going. A review of the existing plan is required to move forward and includes looking at the accomplishments, gaps and what has been completed to date to be carried over.

A discussion was held regarding putting a working group together to review the existing plan to assist with formulating and implementing the latest data.

Louisa Costanzo, Manager – Community Safety & Well-Being recommended that an internal audit of accomplishments, projects and initiatives be completed which will assist the committee in next steps.

The survey is open until January 15, 2026. A 'What We Heard Report' will be available based on the findings from the survey. An engagement plan is required to build community awareness of Community Safety and Well-Being and the collective action required to do this work.

12. Roundtable Updates

Saturday 11am – 4pm. At the Youth Wellness Hub, you can take things at your own pace and get the support you need to feel better and stay on track.

Providing support such as:

- Sexual Health Services
- Gender Affirming Care
- Connection to 2SLGBTQIA+ Supports.
- Primary Health Care Services: Meet with a registered nurse to discuss all primary care needs.
- Employment, Education & Training Supports
- Housing Supports

Manager Costanzo was formally acknowledged for the amazing job organizing the Community Safety & Well-Being Forum.

Director Olsen updated the Committee that the Drug Strategy Specialist is being seconded to Supervisor, Encampment Response and that the Specialist role will be backfilled for five years. The position will be posted in the near future.

Director Olsen also shared that the city will be hosting a drop-in session to discuss and provide feedback on the Temporary Shelter Village project. Saturday, November 29, 2025, from 2:30pm to 4:30pm at the Canada Games Complex.

13. New Business

Mobile Safety & Security Response Pilot

Director Olsen and Manager Costanzo shared a pilot project being introduced to respond to City transit incidents in a timelier fashion. The model is based on one out of Sudbury. The pilot project has received approval, and funding will be included in the 2026 operating budget. Corporate Services will be the lead and prepare the framework.

14. Meeting Schedule

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The Chair and Committee Clerk to discuss the potential meeting dates for 2026.

15. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:22pm.