

Two Board Approach

History

On January 27, 2020, the Lakeshore Police Services Board passed the following resolution:

That the Board supports a two board system approximately divided between the north and south Municipalities of the County for the region with billing apportioned by municipality.

On January 28, 2020, Lakeshore Council also provided its support for a Board comprised of the northern Essex County local municipalities passing the following resolution:

Support the January 27, 2020 motion of the Lakeshore Police Services Board regarding a proposed two board system approximately divided between the north and south municipalities of the County for the region with billing apportioned by municipality.

Rationale

- **Reflects Current Reality**
- Essex Detachment operations are currently divided by North and South (Essex Detachment is divided operationally)
- **Community Attributes**
- Communities north of County Road 8 are similarly aligned in terms of demographic and industry clusters (bedroom communities to the North; tourism/greenhouse industry to the South)
- **Board Size**
- Reduces size of Board meetings to allow for more efficient decision-making process while maximizing opportunities for input from communities
- Reduces size of Board while ensuring the Provincial minimum Board size of 5 members

Options

- 3 options proposed below that contemplate 2 Boards

1) Two Board Option – Essex with South

- Reflects principle of more representation over population 10,000 (Foresight Report)
- Municipal appointee can be chosen from municipal council or community (Foresight Report)
- Achieves 20% community and 20% provincial appointee membership (Provincial requirement)
- Achieves requirement of minimum of 5 Board members (Provincial requirement)

*Community Member numbers can be increased by an additional member to provide an odd number for Board composition. Also, for North Board without formal First Nations Membership an at large member could be selected

**Community representatives selected by Municipal Council that the Community Member represents

North Board

Municipality	Community Members** (20% required)	Municipal Appointee	Provincial Appointee (20% required)	Total
	Elected	Appointed		
Tecumseh	1	1		2
Lakeshore	1	1		2
Province			2	2
Total	2 (33.33%)	2 (33.33%)	2 (33.33%)	6
Total with at large member*	3 (42.9%)	2 (28.57%)	2 (28.57%)	7

*Could add general community member with First Nations background to be added as an at large member which would increase Board composition to a total of 7 members

South Board

Municipality	Community Members** (20% required)	Municipal Appointee	Provincial Appointee (20% required)	Total
	Elected	Appointed		
Essex	1	1		2
Kingsville	1	1		2
Pelee Island		1		1
Caldwell FN		1		1
Province			2	2
Total	2 (25%)	4 (50%)	2 (25%)	8
Total with Leamington	3 (30%)	5 (50%)	2 (20%)	10
Total with at large member*	3 (33.33%)	4 (44.44%)	2 (22.22%)	9

*Could add general community member to be added as an at large member which would increase Board composition to a total of 9 members

2) Two Board Option – Essex with South

- Reflects principle of more representation over population 10,000 (Foresight Report)
- Municipal appointee can be chosen from municipal council or community (Foresight Report)
- Achieves 20% community and 20% provincial appointee membership (Provincial requirement)
- Achieves requirement of minimum of 5 Board members (Provincial requirement)

*Community Member numbers can be increased by an additional member to provide an odd number for Board composition. Also, for North Board without formal First Nations Membership an at large member could be selected

**Community representatives selected by Municipal Council that the Community Member represents

North Board

Municipality	Community Members** (20% required)	Municipal Appointee	Provincial Appointee (20% required)	Total
	Elected	Appointed		
Essex	1	1		2
Tecumseh	1	1		2
Lakeshore	1	1		2
Province			2	2
Total	3 (37.5%)	3 (37.5%)	2 (25%)	8
Total at large member*	4 (44.44%)	3 (33.33%)	2 (22.22%)	9

*Could add general community member with First Nations background to be added as an at large member which would increase Board composition to a total of 9 members

South Board

Municipality	Community Members** (20% required)	Municipal Appointee	Provincial Appointee (20% required)	Total
	Elected	Appointed		
Kingsville	1	1		2
Pelee Island		1		1
Caldwell FN		1		1
Province			2	2
Total ***	1 (16.67%)	3 (50%)	2 (33.33%)	6
Total with at large member*	2* (28.57%)	3 (42.86%)	2* (28.57%)	7
Total with Leamington	2 (25%)	4 (50%)	2 (25%)	8

***Not in keeping with legislative requirements: Require community member to ensure 20% representation of community members.

3) Two Board Option – Essex split

- Reflects principle of more representation over population 10,000 (Foresight Report)
- Municipal appointee can be chosen from municipal council or community (Foresight Report)
- Achieves 20% community and 20% provincial appointee membership (Provincial requirement)
- Achieves requirement of minimum of 5 Board members (Provincial requirement)

*Community Member numbers can be increased by an additional member to provide an odd number for Board composition. Also, for North Board without formal First Nations Membership an at large member could be selected

**Community representatives selected by Municipal Council that the Community Member represents

North Board

Municipality	Community Members** (20% required)	Municipal Appointee	Provincial Appointee (20% required)	Total
	Elected	Appointed		
Essex		1		1
Tecumseh	1	1		2
Lakeshore	1	1		2
Province			2	2
Total	2 (28.57%)	3 (42.86%)	2 (28.57%)	7

South Board

Municipality	Community Members** (20% required)	Municipal Appointee	Provincial Appointee (20% required)	Total
	Elected	Appointed		
Kingsville	1	1		2
Essex	1			1
Pelee Island		1		1
Caldwell		1		1
Province			2	2
Total	2 (28.57%)	3 (42.86%)	2 (28.57%)	7