

AGENDA

Bridgewater Board of Police Commissioners
October 1, 2026 @ 5:30 PM
Community Room – Bridgewater Police Service

26-033

Order

Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Land Acknowledgement

Acknowledged that the Town of Bridgewater is in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Minutes

26-034 September 3, 2026 Minutes

Correspondence & Information

26-034 BPS Monthly Report

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26-037 NS Chief of Police - Fall Conference Agenda

26-038 CAPG Portal

Unfinished/Old Business

Building Roof/AC

Operational Review

CCTV Cameras

New Business

Webpage – Update/Clean UP

By-Law Enforcement – Parking/Weekend



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Monthly Report

September 2026

Chief's Update

As we transition into fall, it has been a busy few weeks for the Bridgewater Police Service. With students returning to school, our members have been focused on increased traffic awareness and safety throughout the community, while continuing to respond to the day-to-day needs of residents.

Alongside our regular operational responsibilities, members have also been engaged in ongoing training and professional development.

Fall is a time that Patrol Officers complete all their court packages that have occurred over the summer, prior to focusing on inhouse training and community projects.

Training

D/Cst. Kosiba – Surveillance Techniques Course

C8 & Firearms recertification for members

Sgt. Wareham - Conflict Resolution

Update on Capital Purchases

CCTV Expansion has been awarded

Operation Review has been awarded



Calls for Service

Aug 26th – Sept 20th, 2026

Total calls: 421

Call Type	Total
Other Criminal Code	
Failure to comply with undertaking	2
Failure to comply with order	5
Failure to comply with appearance notice or summons	1
Disturbing the peace/Causing a disturbance	1
Crimes Against the Person – Robbery/Extortion/Harassment/Threats	
Criminal Harassment	2
Uttering threats against a person	2
Crimes Against the Person – Assaults (excluding sexual assaults)	
Assault with Weapon or Causing Bodily Harm	2
Assault	2
Crimes Against the Person – Sexual Offences	
Sexual Assault	1
Drug Enforcement – Trafficking	
Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking – Schedule 1: Cocaine	1
Drug Enforcement – Possession	
Possession – Schedule 1: Cocaine	1
Crimes Against Property – Theft Under \$5000	
Other theft under \$5,000	6
Theft of bicycle under or equal to \$5000	2
Theft under or equal to \$5,000 from a motor vehicle	1
Theft under or equal to \$5,000 – Shoplifting	18
Crimes Against Property – Other theft over \$5000	
Theft of car	1
Crimes Against Property - Mischief	
Mischief – damage to property (except motor vehicle)	2
Mischief to motor vehicle	2
Crimes Against Property - Fraud	
Fraud (money/property/security) greater than \$5000	1
Fraud (money/property/security) less than or equal to \$5,000	1
Crimes Against Property – Break and Enter	
Break and Enter – Residence	1
Common Police Activities – Related Police Activities	
Offender Management	1



Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property	15
False Alarms	15
Items Lost/Found – Except Passports	23
Person Reported Missing	4
Peace Bond	1
Breach of Peace	12
Common Police Activities	
Information File	1
Common Police Activities – Assistance to General Public	
Assist General Public	31
Wellbeing Check	19
Common Police Activities – Assistance Files	
Assistance to Canadian Provincial/Territorial Dept/Agency	4
Traffic Offences – Impaired Operation Related Offences	
Operation while impaired (alcohol)/equal to or exceeds 80mg%	2
Traffic Offences – Dangerous Operation of Motor	
No Pursuit Involved – Flight from Peace Officer	1
Provincial Statutes (except traffic)	
Liquor Act (Provincial/Territorial) Offences Only	3
Liquor Act (Provincial/Territorial) Other Activities	7
Child, Youth and Family Services Act – Offences Only	1
Child Youth and Family Services Act – Other Activities	1
Dog Act – Other Activities	5
Family Law Act – Other Activities	4
Fire Prevention Act – Offences Only	1
Litter Act – Other Activities	1
Mental Health Act – Other Activities	9
911 Act – Other Activities	25
Off-Road Vehicle Act – Other Activities	1
Off-Road Vehicle Act – Offences Only	1
Trespass Act – Provincial/Territorial – Other Activities	5
Other Provincial / Territorial Statutes – Other Activities	25
Provincial Statutes – Municipal By-Laws	
Municipal Bylaws – Other	6
Traffic Offences – Traffic Accidents	
Traffic Collision – Property Damage – Reportable	4
Traffic Collision – Property Damage – Non Reportable	5
Traffic Offences – Provincial Traffic Offences	
Occupant Restraint/Seatbelt Violation	4



Moving Traffic – Intersection Related Violations	16
Moving Traffic – Speeding Violations	43
Other Moving Traffic Violations	15
Motor Vehicle Insurance Coverage Violations	3
Parking Offence	7
Other Non-Moving Traffic	33
Fail to Stop or Remain at Accident Scene	5
Driving while disqualified or license suspension	2
Use of Electronic Handheld Device/Distracting Behaviour	1
Traffic Offences – Other Traffic Related Duties	
Motor Vehicle Act – Other Activities (except traffic warnings)	3
Traffic Offences – Federal	
Other traffic – Federal (except parking)	1

Major Crime

Execution of a Search Warrant in relation to Cocaine Trafficking

Currently working on a Interprovincial Fraud File with other Police Agencies

Traffic Report

Report is from August 26th – Sept 18th, 2026 submitted by Cst. Charles Bruce

SSRO

Report for the first few weeks of September submitted by Cst. Frank Girhiny



Senior Safety Coordinator

Attached, please find the monthly report submitted by Ms. Lisa Bennett.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Scott Feener



BPS Monthly Traffic Report

Prepared by Cst. Charles Bruce, August 26 – September 18, 2026

Motor Vehicle Infraction	SOT's
26(2)(b) Vehicle Inspection Regulations - Expired Safety Sticker	19
37(1)(a) Motor Vehicle Act - Expired Registration	3
175(2) Motor Vehicle Act - Seat Belt Infractions	4
100D(1) Motor Vehicle Act - Cell Phone Infractions	2
230(1) Motor Vehicle Act - Insurance Violations	1
83(2) Motor Vehicle Act – Fail to obey traffic signs/signals	1
260(2) Motor Vehicle Act - Vehicles Unfit for Road - 3 Vehicle Seizures	1
64 Motor Vehicle Act – Driving with no License	2
163(1) Motor Vehicle Act - STUNTING (103km/h in 50km/h zone)	1
133(1) Motor Vehicle Act – Stop sign	10
106A(a) Motor Vehicle Act – Speed 1-15 Km/h	26
106A(b) Motor Vehicle Act – Speed 16-30 Km/h	5
106A(c) Motor Vehicle Act – Speed 31 Km/h or more (84Km/h)	1
70A(8) Motor vehicle Act – Newly licensed driver out past midnite	1
103(2A) Motor Vehicle Act – Exceeding posted speed in School Zone	1
122(3) Motor vehicle Act – Fail to yield to vehicle already in intersection	1
Total Summary Offense Tickets Issued	79
Total Warnings Issued	9

Motor Vehicle Accident

3 - Single Motor Vehicle Accidents - No Injuries

1 - Impaired Driving files. 7-day suspensions handed out. 26-1255756***

File # 26-1331165, STUNTING File. Soc going 103 in 50 zone. Vehicle and license seized at roadside and issued \$ 2,500.00 fine/sot

SSRO- September Report

School Matters:

PVEC

- Patrol school zone during opening
- Foot patrols at identified locations at PVEC continue.
- Took part in Fire Drill, Hold and Secure as well as Lockdown situation.
- Sat in with Alternate Class multiple times to build bond with students
- On-going driving complaints with certain student that was dealt with internally, but relayed to Cst BRUCE.
- School Board meeting for reintegration of [REDACTED]
- Driving infraction for repeat complaint on student. Education piece to student and school internally took away driving privileges to school
- Vaping in school and around court yard. 10 students disciplined from school with in school suspensions. Education piece to follow

BJHS

- Patrol School zone during morning drop offs
- Disussion with Principal of Missing Person that occurred over a weekend. School Counseling will have own internal meeting with student

Police Occurrences:

PVEC

- PPA served to student that graduated 2 years ago. Riding dirt bike on school grounds disturbing students.
- PPA former student causing disturbance
- Missing Person Report for a student from Hope Landing. Assist RCMP in gathering details

BJHS

- Suspicious person driving around school asking student to run away from home and come with individual and cousin. Police spoke with students mother and warned all parties involved.

Submitted by **Cst F GIRHINY**

Lunenburg County Seniors' Safety Program Monthly Report – August 2026

Prepared September 1, 2026

The LCSSP is a free confidential community-based non-profit service that works collaboratively with BPS, RCMP, and many community partners to help address the safety concerns of older adults (55 years of age+), residing in Lunenburg County. Service is provided through awareness campaigns, advocacy, community outreach projects, educational programs, community presentations and one to one support.

"Lunenburg County is stronger when our seniors feel safe, valued, and supported—their experiences and wisdom enrich our communities."

LCSSP August highlights:

- An application for the **New Horizon Grant** has been submitted. The proposed project is in collaboration with LISNS (Legal Information Society of NS) and senior volunteers. More details to come. The New Horizon Grant decisions will be released in January 2027.
- As you're aware - **LCSSP** is a successful recipient of the **RCMP FVIF Grant** for our proposed **Silver Guardian Project** in collaboration with our local **Lunenburg County RCMP Detachments**. This initiative addresses partner/caregiver/dementia violence in our county. Look for some great things to come 😊
- September is **Suicide Prevention Month**. This year's theme, Changing the narrative, is a call to transform how we understand and respond to suicide. Open, compassionate conversations can help reduce stigma and let people know they're not alone. **Orange** and **yellow** are the recognized promotional colours. Engagement and Social Connections can make a difference.



The Suicide Helpline is here to support 24/7.

- Planning has begun for a fall **Seniors' Safety Academy** to be held at the Bridgewater Fire Hall on Thursday afternoons from September 24th to October 29th. More details to follow. Poster is attached with the email. Presenters include Caregiver's NS, Alzheimer's Society of NS, REMO, BPS, and more. Registration is required for this event. Call 902-543-3567 to register.
- An updated version of **LCSSP Helping Tree** has been completed. It is a living entity, so changes are expected. Circulation of this document has begun and will be uploaded to the website and linked on the LCSSP Facebook page soon. The Helping Tree has also been attached to the email.
- On August 24th LCSSP Executive Board Members and Coordinator met with Minister Susan Corkum-Greek on current community needs as felt by Lunenburg County older adults and collaborative efforts to meet those needs.
- The LCSSP Fall Newsletter is in its final edits. 😊 🌱



Lunenburg County Seniors' Safety Program Monthly Report – August 2026

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Please follow the link for important information on intimate partner violence.

<https://www.bridgewaterpolice.ca/services/intimate-partner-violence>

- Collaborative client specific meetings with Provincial Housing Authority, RCMP, CCC, Adult Protection, South Shore Health, South Shore Open Doors, SCHAT and BPS.
- Collaborations for clients also include PHA, RCMP, SSRH, MLA offices, BPS, Continuing Care, St Vincent de Paul, United Way, MP's Office, The Landing.
- Collaborative visits with SSODA, The Landing and Continuing Care.

Referrals:

{New Referrals: 21 + Re Referrals: 2} Home/site Visits: 23 Active clients: 96 Closed files: 16

New Referrals Service Area in Municipal Units (#'s have been rounded either up/down)	%
MOC	27%
MODL	31%
Mahone Bay	6.5%
Lunenburg	7.5%
Bridgewater	28%

Referral Source:

Community Partner 30% Self/Family 22% RCMP 19% BSP 24% AP 5%

Areas of concern remain unchanged: Safe/affordable/accessible Housing, Seniors' Mental Health/Addictions, Adult Protection, Hoarding, Scams/Fraud, Cost of living, Community resources/connections, Health Care (no primary care physician). LCSSP is seeing a continued increase of complex issues and concerns at the time of referrals/intakes. This translates into clients being active clients longer and collaboration with multiple disciplines. The complexity and volume of referrals reflect in having the ability/time to review files for possible and appropriate closing.

LCSSP Client Emergency Contingency Fund (CECF):

The CECF continues to serve the community in partnership with other organizations to help mitigate risk for seniors experiencing financial hardship. **The end of August balance \$273.55.**

'Thank you to all Lunenburg County Seniors' Safety Program supporters. We couldn't do what we do without you.'





THE HELPING TREE

Community Support & Services.....	211
Emergency.....	911
Suicide Help	
Line.....	988
Non-Urgent Health concerns.....	811
Hearing & Speech Impairment Relay.....	711
Directory	
Assistance.....	411

NS Road	
Conditions.....	511

Senior's Safety Program Coordinator
Lisa Bennett.....902-543-3567

Lisa.Bennett@bridgewaterpolice.ca

MENTAL HEALTH

24/7 MH Crisis line.....	1-888-429-8167
27/7 Domestic Violence.....	1-855-225-0220
Crisis Text – Text 'Talk' to:.....	686868

CDN Suicide Prevention.....	988
Mental Health/Addictions.....	902-543-5400
Geriatric Psychiatry.....	902-473-7733

ADDICTIONS

Smoking Help Line.....	1-877-513-5333
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Gambling Help Line.....1-888-347-8888
Opioid Treatment Program.....1-855-273-7110

SUPPORT GROUPS

Self-Help Connection.....1-844-466-2011
Alcoholics Anonymous..... 902-466-7077
Narcotics Anonymous.....902-789-8323
Lunenburg County YMCA..... 902-543-9622

LOCAL LIONS CLUBS

Bridgewater.....902-543-7415
Mahone Bay.....902-624-0904
New Germany.....902-298-9765
Chester.....902-275-1422

LOCAL LEGIONS

Bridgewater.....902 543-3203
Mahone Bay.....902-624-8449
Lunenburg.....902-634-4215
Chester.....902-275-3315

New Germany.....902-644-2320

OTHER

Access Nova Scotia.....1-800-670-4357
Motor Vehicle.....1-800-670-4357
Service Canada.....1-800-622-6232
Natural Resources Lunenburg....902-634-7555

POLICE NON-EMERGENCY

Bridgewater Town902-543-2464
Chester RCMP.....902-275-3583
Lunenburg RCMP.....902-634-8674
Bridgewater RCMP.....902-527-5555

SCAMS / FRAUDS

Canadian Anti Fraud Center....1-888-495-8501

POWER OUTAGES/DOWNED LINES

Bridgewater.....1-844-428-6004
Lunenburg..... 902-634-4410
 • After hours..... 902 527-0150
Mahone Bay..... 902-624-8327
 • After hours.....902-543-3251
Riverport 902-766-4890
 • After hours.....902-543-2502

TAX INFORMATION

TTY (Hearing/speech)1-800-387-1193
CRA Individual Tax.....1-800-959-8281
Free Tax Prep Clinics.....1-855-516-4405
Tax Info Phone Service.....1-800-267-6999

LEGAL AID & INFORMATION

NS Legal Aid.....902-543-4658

Dalhousie Legal Aid Services.....902-423-8105
Legal Information Society of NS...1-800-655-9779
Free Legal Clinic (HFX).....902-424-3690

SS Community Justice..... 902-543-1841

Mikmaq Legal Support..... ...1-877-379-2042

Public Trustee's Office.....902-424-7760

Bridgewater Justice Ctr.....902-543-4679

SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTER

Sexual Assault Center.....902-527-2868

SUPPORT & SERVICES

Caregivers NS.....1-877-488-7690

DATES & TOPICS

THURSDAY

AFTERNOONS

1 PM – 3:30 PM

SEPT. 24, OCT. 1, 8,
15, 22 & 29.

BRIDGEWATER FIRE HALL

81 DOMINION ST.
BRIDGEWATER

- SEPT 24 - SCAMS & FRAUD INFO
- OCT 1 - SAFE INVESTING
- OCT 8 - LEGAL INFO/ POA'S, PERSONAL DIRECTIVES, ETC.
- OCT 15 - DEMENTIA & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
- OCT 22 - ALZHEIMERS & CAREGIVERS
- OCT 29 - AGING WELL NS & SOCIAL CONNECTIONS
- FREE Event!
- Registration is Required
- Refreshments
- Chance to win a gift basket



To register in advance:

902-543-3567

or

The Seniors Care Grant provides financial support to low-income seniors to help them live well in their homes.

The Seniors Care Grant helps low-income seniors by providing a Grant of \$750 for each household, to assist with the cost of:

- Household services (like lawn care, snow removal, grocery delivery, transportation, small home repairs, phone service and more)
- Healthcare services (like physiotherapy, mental health support, and more)
- Home heating costs (like furnace oil, natural gas, propane, firewood, wood pellets, electricity and repairs and regular maintenance for home heating systems) – **for more help with heating costs, you can also apply to the Heating Assistance Rebate Program (HARP) when the program starts accepting applications in October 2026.**

Important: An application can only be made once per program year (**September 1, 2026, to December 1, 2026**).

To be eligible for the Seniors Care Grant:

- You still reside in your home.
- Your name is on the property title, band administration letter (on reserve), residential lease agreement, or Certificate of Claim
- You are 65 years of age or will be 65 years of age by March 31, 2027
- You have an annual household net income of **\$45,100** or less.

HOW TO APPLY

Consider applying online if you can—
you could save on mailing time and get your grant(s) faster.
APPLY ONLINE at: www.novascotia.ca/seniorscaregrant 

If you are not applying online, submit your signed and completed application form by mail by **December 1, 2026**

☒ **Send by mail to:** Seniors Care Grant, PO Box 160, STN Central, Halifax, NS B3J 2M4

AFTER YOU APPLY

Wait to receive your grant(s).

- If you currently receive your personal income tax refund from the Canada Revenue Agency by direct deposit, your rebate will be deposited into the same bank account you have registered with CRA once it's approved.
- If you do not receive your income tax refund by direct deposit, your cheque will be mailed within 8 weeks.
- Keep a copy of your household and health services receipts, and if applicable, a copy of your heating bill/receipt until May 1, 2028.
- If you provide your email address, we may email you if we require any additional information. Keep an eye out for email notifications from seniorsgrant@novascotia.ca.
- If denied, a written letter will be mailed to you.
- You may be required to provide a copy of supporting documentation as part of an audit.

For more information call: 902-424-5200 or 1-800-670-4357 toll free in Nova Scotia.

APPLICANT INFORMATION AND SIGNATURE(S) REQUIRED ON REVERSE ➡



SENIORS CARE GRANT

Application Form

1 GIVE YOUR DETAILS

Submit only one application per household. Please print clearly.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Civic Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Do you? ☐ OWN YOUR HOME ☐ RENT YOUR HOME ☐ PARTICIPATE IN LAND TITLES INITIATIVE
☐ HAVE BAND LETTER (reside on reserve)

Mailing Address (if different than Civic): _____

Social Insurance Number (SIN): _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Email: _____

Cell #: () - Home #: () -

Provide details if you have a spouse/partner or other adult living in the home with you

Other Adult First Name: _____ Other Adult Last Name: _____

Social Insurance Number (SIN): _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

2 SENIORS CARE GRANT: The rebate is in the amount of \$750 for expenses related to service costs incurred between April 1, 2026, and March 31, 2027. It's important to keep track of all eligible expenses. You may be asked to provide receipts for the full amount at a later date.

Important: An application can only be made once per program year (September 1, 2026 to December 1, 2026).

3 PROVIDE YOUR SIGNATURE(S) BELOW

I/We declare that the information provided on this application form is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge. I/We attest that I/We have read and understand the requirements of the program.

I/We understand that Service Nova Scotia will collect, use, and disclose my/our personal information only for the purpose of determining, verifying my/our eligibility and for the administration of Seniors Care Grant Program, and/or as authorized by the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and will collect statistical information for program review purposes.

I/We understand that Service Nova Scotia may contact me/us at a later time to request proof of address, proof of income and/or proof of services paid.

Consent for Service Nova Scotia and Canada Revenue Agency to share my personal information.

To establish eligibility for the program, I/we authorize Service Nova Scotia to share my/our given name(s), surname(s), SIN, and date of birth and to obtain and verify the following information from CRA: given name(s), surname(s), SIN(s), date of birth, marital status, and income as reported on eligible years taxes. If available, the primary applicants' banking information can be obtained from CRA to deposit to the grant electronically.

I/We have read the section on the collection, use and disclosure of personal information and by signing below consent to sharing of my/our personal information between Service Nova Scotia and Canada Revenue Agency. **Note: without consent your application cannot be accepted.**

If you filed your income tax return as married or common-law, you must supply BOTH signatures for processing.

Signature of applicant: X  Date: _____

Signature of spouse/partner/other adult: X  Date: _____

☐ (Optional) The Department of Cyber Security and Digital Solutions can contact me by email about future research studies. **If you wish to withdraw your optional consent later (to remove your email from the list), please call 902-424-5200 (HRM) or 1-800-670-4357 toll free in Nova Scotia.**

Scott Feener

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: September 2, 2026 4:03 PM
To: Scott Feener
Subject: TD visits today

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CAUTION: This email originated from an external sender.

Hi Scott

Apologies for the capacity from your officers down here today, I am hoping things don't come in 3s!

First call was client reporting and then staff member walking around client vehicle, no movement, vehicle running and client reporting said he was in another vehicle and was 15+ plus with no movement. I was in a meeting so didn't witness but made the call.

This afternoon I was calling adult protection about a client and my phone was tripping, delaying (often needs to be reset) and in settings I must have triggered it to dial last number, I didn't think it connected and then got through to adult protection and was talking to them when I heard mainline ringing and signaled to staff to answer but no one grabbed it in time.

The quick response from your team in ensuring we were safe was amazing! Now I'm just ready to go home, how embarrassing lol

Thanks Scott!

[REDACTED] **TD Canada Trust**
Transit 5350 | 1 Old Bridge Street, Bridgewater NS B4V 3T6
T: 902.543.7777 ext 250 | F: 902.543.1331

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