



District of Sault Ste. Marie

Social Services Administration Board

- Ontario Works
- Child Care
- Social Housing
- Land Ambulance

Minutes

DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, April 24th, 2014 @ 5:00 p.m.

Russ Ramsay Room – Civic Centre

PRESENT:	D. Edgar M. Bruni	P. Mick R. Amadio	J. Gawne L. Turco
STAFF:	M. Nadeau G. Grandinetti	D. Petersson P. Lebel	J. Barban A. Nanne
GUESTS:	M. Marinovich	C. Pomeroy	
REGRETS:	B. Watkins	J. Krmpotich	R. Niro

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair D. Edgar at 4:58 pm

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #14-036

Moved By: R. Amadio

Seconded By: P. Mick

- 2.1 “Be it resolved that the Agenda for the April 24, 2014 District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

4. FINANCE

PRESENTATION:

KPMG LLP Chartered Accountants - 2013 Audited Financial Statements
M. Marinovich and C. Pomeroy reviewed the Financial Statements and documents provided to Board Members.

All documents are in draft format pending approval by the DSSMSSAB. Questions were posed as the documents were discussed.

The SSMHC Financial Statements were reviewed first. C. Pomeroy took the Board through the details of the finances.

M. Marinovich then discussed the DSSMSSAB consolidated Financial Statements. The DSSMSSAB and SSMHC statements must be combined due to the sharing of assets and accountability.

Board members thanked KPMG for their hard work and agreed that the statements were well presented and clear.

Resolution #14-037

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: J. Gawne

- 4.1 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Audit Findings Report, DSSMSSAB Audited Financial Statements and SSMHC Audited Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2013 as prepared and presented by KPMG LLP Chartered Accountants."

CARRIED

5. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES / ACCOUNTS

Resolution #14-038

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: P. Mick

- 5.1 "Be it resolved that the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated March 20, 2014 be adopted as recorded."

CARRIED

6. CAO / COMMISSIONER / MANAGER REPORTS

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES / LAND AMBULANCE

R. Rushworth discussed his report and gave an update regarding Emergency Medical Services.

Our newly purchased ambulance arrived last week well ahead of schedule. It is in the process of being commissioned into service. The soon-to-be decommissioned vehicle will remain an asset until decisions are made regarding its best use or resale.

The first quarter report for EMS was discussed. The 3-year ambulance review was completed earlier today and the results are very positive. The draft report will be brought forward in the next 60 days.

Resolution #14-039

Moved By: P. Mick

Seconded By: R. Amadio

- 6.1 “Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the April 24, 2014 EMS Report and Statistical Update as information.”

CARRIED

HOUSING PROGRAMS

J. Barban spoke to the recommendation to hire a consultant to update and improve the 10-year housing and homelessness plan. It was noted that the current plan is acceptable but needs to be worked on to become more comprehensive, extensive and to become a more viable resource.

Resolution #14-040

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 6.2 “Whereas the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board is responsible for administering a range of provincially legislated affordable housing, social housing and homelessness programs and services;

AND Whereas the DSSMSSAB was given the responsibility of developing a 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan for the community;

THEREFORE Be It Resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board award the contract for consulting services to update and improve the 10 Year Affordable Housing & Homelessness Plan to the lowest bidder OrgCode Consulting in the amount of \$13,650.00 plus applicable taxes as recommended by the Housing Programs review committee;

AND THAT the funds for this purpose be accessed from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board reserve account (HST).”

CARRIED

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

M. Nadeau spoke to his 1st Quarter Report provided for Board members.

Resolution #14-041

Moved By: J. Gawne

Seconded By: M. Bruni

6.3 “Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the 2014 Social Services First Quarter Report prepared by the Commissioner of Social Services as information.”

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATION

Resolution #14-042

Moved By: P. Mick

Seconded By: L. Turco

7.1 “Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board congratulate Janet Gawne on her election to the position of NOSDA Vice-Chair and appointment as the newest member of the NOSDA Executive Committee.”

CARRIED

8. OUTSTANDING / ACTION ITEMS / DISCUSSION

- Contracts with City of Sault Ste. Marie

D. Edgar spoke to the City agreements and the progress made in regards to the agreements. Committee members will meet with the DSSMSSAB

legal representative early next week and are hopeful that things are now moving forward in a positive way.

- Goulais River Emergency Medical Services Station

Decisions and recommendations need to be made regarding the suggested Goulais River EMS Station. EMS staff will have opportunity to look at some new data regarding the service in the Soo North and our service response times and needs.

- NOSDA AGM update

M. Nadeau gave an update regarding the recent NOSDA AGM held in Sault Ste. Marie. Representatives are feeling positive that the conference went well.

- Prince Township Council Meeting – May 6, 2014

Staff and Board members will be attending the Prince Township Council meeting in May. The Commissioner of Social Services will take the lead on behalf of the DSSMSSAB congregation.

9. NEW BUSINESS

AMO conference will be held on May 7, 8 & 9 in Sault Ste. Marie. DSSMSSAB representatives are invited to attend.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #14-043

Moved By: R. Amadio

Seconded By: J. Krmpotich

10.1 "Be it resolved that we do now adjourn."

CARRIED

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Thurs., May 15, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. (Biggings Room - Civic Centre)

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.