

District of Sault Ste. Marie

Social Services Administration Board

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

Minutes

DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING Thursday, September 19th, 2013 @ 5:00 p.m. Biggings Room (Civic Centre – Foster Drive)

PRESENT: D. Edgar B. Watkins L. Turco

P. Mick J. Gawne M. Bruni R. Amadio J. Krmpotich R. Niro

STAFF: M. Nadeau R. Rushworth J. Bowen

P. Lebel A. Nanne

1. CALL TO ORDER

DSSMSSAB Board Chair D. Edgar called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #13-041

Moved By: J. Gawne Seconded By: M. Bruni

2.1 "Be it resolved that the Agenda for the September 19, 2013 District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting be approved as presented."

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES / ACCOUNTS

Resolution #13-042

Moved By: R. Niro

Seconded By: R. Amadio

4.1 "Be it resolved that the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated June 20, 2013 be adopted as recorded."

5. CAO / COMMISSIONER / MANAGER REPORTS

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)

R. Rushworth spoke to the Board regarding the purchase of the new defibrillator and his EMS report.

Resolution #13-043

Moved By: L. Turco
Seconded By: B. Watkins

5.1 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services
Administration Board approve the purchase of one (1) Zoll X Series
Monitor / Defibrillator included in the 2013 Capital and Equipment Budget
for the quoted price of \$40,612.31."

CARRIED

Resolution #13-044

Moved By: J. Krmpotich Seconded By: M. Bruni

5.2 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services
Administration Board accept the Emergency Medical Services Statistical
Report for the 2013 as information."

CARRIED

HOUSING PROGRAMS

Resolution #13-045

Moved By: P. Mick Seconded By: J. Gawne

- 5.3 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board approve the following Delivering Opportunities for Ontario Renters (DOOR) Funding requests:
 - Cara Community Corporation Cara I
 In the amount of \$2,948.31 to offset the cost of the purchase and
 installation of an automatic door opener on one (1) apartment entry
 door.
 - St. Gregory's Senior Citizen's Non-profit Homes of Sault Ste. Marie Up to a maximum amount of \$17,498.01 to offset the cost of the installation of barrier free door operators, complete with hand held remote controls, to the main entry doors."

Resolution #13-046

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: J. Krmpotich

"Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the good news story regarding / project profile for 433 Franklin St. Senior Centre composed by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)."

CARRIED

ONTARIO WORKS

Board members agreed that they would like more time to review the Ontario Works Plan and deferred Resolution #13-047 until a future meeting where more time and attention could be given to this important document.

Resolution #13-047

Moved By: L. Turco Seconded By: R. Amadio

5.5 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the 2013-14 Ontario Works Two Year Plan and the letter of acceptance from the Ministry of Community and Social Services as information."

DEFFERRED

IN CAMERA SESSION

Resolution #13-048

Moved By: B. Watkins Seconded By: R. Niro

5.6 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board shall now go into a closed session to discuss one (1) item involving staff matters".

CARRIED

Resolution #13-049

Moved By: P. Mick Seconded By: L. Turco

5.7 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board shall now enter back into open session."

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Resolution #13-050

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: J. Krmpotich

5.8 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services
Administration Board accept the September 19th Social Services
Departmental Overview Report prepared by the Commissioner of Social
Services and the 2013 Financial Update (Appendix 1) prepared by the
Financial Manager for Social Services as information."

CARRIED

6. ADMINISTRATION

OUTSTANDING ITEMS

Contracts with City of Sault Ste. Marie

The Executive Assistant spoke with representative from the City of SSM legal department on September 18th. Recent major events including extensive local flooding have created extra work in the City Legal department. As a result progress of the Agreements between the DSSMSSAB and the City of SSM has been delayed. We are looking at a November or December implementation date now.

- Goulais River LSB EMS / First Response
- 211 Service

There was no report on either of these matters at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE

Resolution #13-051

Moved By: J. Gawne Seconded By: P. Mick

6.1 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the following correspondence as information:

- Letter dated July 25, 2013 from Dr. Allan Northan, Medical Officer of Health, Algoma Public Health to Dental Providers regarding the revised Ontario Works Adult Discretionary Dental Plan and the Denture Program fee guide effective August 1, 2013
- 2. Letter from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services
 Administration Board Chair, David Edgar dated July 15, 2013
 addressed to the Hon. Liz Sandals, Minister of Education regarding the
 Impact of the New Child Care Funding Formula in Sault Ste. Marie.
- 3. Letter dated June 28, 2013 from the Hon. Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario to Mr. Gary Scripnick, NOSDA Chair regarding the NOSDA resolution about Child Care in Ontario.
- 4. Letter and attachment dated July 18, 2013 from the Honourable Linda Jeffery, Minister of Community and Social Services regarding responses to questions posed by the DSSMSSAB in our previous meeting."

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #13-052

Moved By: P. Mick

Seconded By: J. Krmpotich

7.1 "WHEREAS on September 9, 2013 vulnerable residents were adversely affected by sudden flooding in the area;

THEREFORE in an effort to assist low income residents with necessary household repairs caused by this event and in order to ensure that adequate housing is maintained;

BE IT RESOLVED that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board support the allocation of up to \$250,000 from the One Time Community Housing Retention Fund (CHRF) for these emergency home repairs;

AND THAT the Commissioner of Social Services be responsible for facilitating these essential emergency repairs of up to \$5,000 per household. Program eligibility will be subject to the Investment in Affordable Housing Emergency Repair policy developed by Housing Programs. Funding will be made available until the allocation has been depleted or until December 31, 2013"

8. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #13-053

Moved By: J. Krmpotich Seconded By: R. Niro

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

CARRIED

NEXT BOARD MEETING - Thursday, October 17, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. Russ Ramsay Room (Civic Centre)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.