



# District of Sault Ste. Marie

## Social Services Administration Board

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

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**Minutes**  
**DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Thursday, December 18, 2008 - 5:20 PM**  
**EMS Centre (65 Old Garden River Road)**

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<b>PRESENT:</b>	P. Mick D. Edgar	F. Fata L. Madonna	V. Burns L. Turco	S. Butland
<b>STAFF:</b>	K. Streich-Poser R. Cobean	L. McCoy A. Nanne	J. Barban	
<b>REGRETS:</b>	L. Tridico	B. Hayes		

Board Chair Pat Mick called the meeting to order at 5:29 pm.

### **1. Minutes**

#### **Resolution #08-105**

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 1.1 "Be it resolved that the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated November 20, 2008 be adopted as recorded."

**CARRIED**

### **2. Accounts**

Accounts NOT previously reviewed by the Executive / Finance Committee:

#### **Resolution #08-106**

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 2.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB Accounts Payable dated:

November 08, 2008 in the amount of \$65,512.07

November 15, 2008 in the amount of \$64,627.96

November 22, 2008 in the amount of \$87,038.99

be passed for payment."

**CARRIED**

### **3. Executive / Finance**

#### **Resolution #08-107**

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: L. Turco

3.1 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board endorse the following "Interim Levies" as proposed by the Social Services Financial Manager.

1. That the first Interim Levy equaling 25% of the Year 2008 levy be sent to the contributors with a due date of February 2, 2009.
2. Since our budget is due March 31, 2009, a second Interim Levy equaling 25% of the Year 2008 levy be sent to the contributors with a due date of April 1, 2009."

**CARRIED**

#### **Resolution #08-108**

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: L. Turco

3.2 "**WHEREAS** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board deems it necessary to borrow the sum of \$4,000,000.00 to meet, until current revenue is collected, current expenditures for the year 2009; and

**WHEREAS** the total amount of the estimated revenues of the Board for the year 2009 not including revenue derived or derivable from the sale of assets, borrowing, Provincial subsidy, or from a surplus, including arrears of revenues and proceeds from the sale of assets is estimated to be in the excess of \$16,000,000.00;

**THEREFORE** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board pursuant to Section 9 of the District Social Services Administration Boards Act, RSO 1990, Chapter D.15 and amendments thereto, ENACTS as follows:

1. The Chair and the Treasurer are hereby authorized, on behalf of the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board, to borrow from time to time by way of promissory note from the Royal Bank of Canada or any person, a sum or sums not exceeding \$4,000,000.00 to meet, until the revenues are collected, the current expenditures of the Board for the year, including the amounts required for the purpose mentioned in Section 9(3) of the District of Social Services Administration Boards Act and to give on behalf of the Board to the Bank or lender, a promissory note or notes, sealed with

the corporate seal and duly signed for the moneys so borrowed, with interest, which may be paid in advance or otherwise, with interest at the Bank's prescribed lending rate or another persons' lending rate from time to time.

2. All the sums borrowed pursuant to the authority of this bylaw, as well as all other sums borrowed in this year and in previous years from the said Bank or lender for any or all purposes mentioned in the said Section 9 shall, with interest thereon, be a charge upon the whole of the revenues of the Board for the current year and for all preceding years as when such revenues are received."

**CARRIED**

#### **4. Land Ambulance**

##### **Resolution #08-109**

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 4.1 "Be it resolved that the November 2008 report from the Fire Chief for the Sault Ste. Marie Emergency Medical Services be accepted by the Board as information."

**CARRIED**

Chief McCoy spoke about the purchase of the CPAP equipment.

##### **Resolution #08-110**

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 4.2 "Be it resolved that the Board authorize appropriate staff to proceed immediately with the process for the purchase of the CPAP (Continuous Positive Airway Pressure) equipment to be included in the EMS Capital Account in the 2009 budget at a cost of \$28,024 as recommended by the Fire Chief."

**CARRIED**

L. McCoy commented that Sault Ste. Marie has been successful in lobbying the Provincial Government in regards to more representation with the Regional Base Hospital. Every service provider has now been offered a position at the table. Robert Rushworth will be the local representative.

#### **5. Ontario Works**

K. Streich-Poser updated the Board regarding a story in the local media stating that Ontario Works would subsidize Essar Steel employees and commented that there was no validity to the report.

#### **6. Community Child Care**

**Resolution #08-111**

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: V. Burns

- 6.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB accept the results of the December 3, 2008 email / fax poll to award the contract for the development of the Child Care Wait List Management System to the Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre at the cost of \$97,701 as recommended."

**CARRIED**

**7. Community Coordinator**

**8. Social Housing Programs**

R. Cobean gave the Board with a verbal update regarding the Northern Repair program. The building inspector has visited 176 homes to date. R. Cobean hopes to get to 200 households and will unfortunately reach the cut off point soon.

**Resolution #08-112**

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: L. Madonna

- 8.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB accept the verbal update from the Housing Programs Manager regarding the Northern Repair program as information."

**CARRIED**

It was suggested that the City of Sault Ste. Marie and Prince Township also petition for the continuance of the Northern Repair program. A copy of the resolution will be faxed to Prince Township.

**Resolution #08-113**

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: V. Burns

- 8.2 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB petition the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding future funding for the Northern Repair Program."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #08-114**

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: V. Burns

- 8.3 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB approve the Italian Housing Corporation to access their accumulated operating surplus fund in order to purchase property for additional parking as recommended by the Housing Programs Manager."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #08-115**

Moved By: F.Fata

Seconded By: V. Burns

- 8.4 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB support the recommendation from the Manager of Housing Programs to approve Orion Co-operative Housing Corporation to receive \$25,000 to repair and renovate several bathrooms from the Delivering Opportunities for Ontario Renters (DOORS) funding."

**CARRIED**

**9. Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation**

**Resolution #08-116**

Moved By: F. Fata

Seconded By: V. Burns

- 9.1 "Be it resolved that the Minutes from the Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation Board meeting dated November 20, 2008 be adopted as recorded."

**CARRIED**

**10. Commissioner of Social Services**

K. Streich-Poser spoke to her report and offered to share the information with respective municipalities if requested.

**Resolution #08-117**

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: F. Fata

- 10.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB accept the Report from the Commissioner of Social Services on the DSSMSSAB Municipal Levy process as information."

**11. DSSMSSAB Administration**

**Resolution #08-118**

Moved By: F. Fata

Seconded By: L. Madonna

11.1 "Be it resolved that the DSSMSSAB continue to hold their 2009 monthly Board Meetings on the third Thursday at 5:00 p.m. (with a few exceptions) as listed below:

- Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 19, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, April 23, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, May 21, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, June 18, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. (Sault North or Prince Township)
- Thursday, July 16, 2009 at 12:00 p.m. (Executive Committee only)
- Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 12:00 p.m. (Executive Committee only)
- Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 22, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, December 17, 2009 at 5:00 p.m."

**CARRIED**

**Resolution #08-119**

Moved By: V. Burns

Seconded By: F. Fata

11.2 "Be it hereby resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the renewal of the Commercial Insurance Policy 2009 for the sum of \$12,027.96 (same fee as 2008) as provided by Patrick Policicchio from General Insurance Services Inc."

**CARRIED**

**12. New Business**

P. Mick requested, on behalf of the Board, that a report be composed for City Council regarding the District Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB) Act and the formation of the local DSSAB.

**13. Old Business**

**14. Correspondence/Information**

**15. Adjournment**

**Resolution #08-120**

Moved By: L. Madonna

Seconded By: D. Edgar

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

**CARRIED**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.