



District of Sault Ste. Marie

Social Services Administration Board

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

Minutes

DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, January 21, 2016 @ 4:30 p.m.

Russ Ramsay Room (Civic Centre)

PRESENT:	J. Gawne J. Krmpotich M. Bruni	D. Edgar K. Lamming	S. Myers (left at 5:35pm) L. Turco
STAFF:	M. Nadeau D. Petersson	G. Grandinetti E. Caicco	M. Figliola A. Nanne
GUESTS:	M. Marinovich		

1. CALL TO ORDER

J. Gawne called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm

Turned the meeting over to M. Nadeau for Election of Executive.

Election of Executive - Election conducted by the Commissioner of Social Services

Chairperson - **J. Gawne** – (Acclaimed)

Nominated by: S. Myers

Seconded by: D. Edgar

Vice-Chair - **D. Edgar** – (Acclaimed)

Nominated by: S. Myers

Seconded by: J. Gawne

Secretary - **J. Krmpotich** – (Acclaimed)

Nominated by: D. Edgar

Seconded by: S. Myers

Treasurer - **L. Turco** – (Acclaimed)

Nominated by: K. Lamming

Seconded by: D. Edgar

Meeting was turned over to elected Chair, J. Gawne.

Resolution #16-005 (a)

Moved By: J. Krmpotich

Seconded By: S. Myers

“Be it resolved that the slate of officers in the positions of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer for the 2016 executive positions as be accepted as elected

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Vice-Chair - **D. Edgar** – (Acclaimed)

Secretary - **J. Krmpotich** – (Acclaimed)

Treasurer - **L. Turco** – (Acclaimed).”

CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #16-006

Moved By: J. Krmpotich

Seconded By: S. Myers

2.1 “Be it resolved that the Agenda for the January 21st, 2016 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 #16-007

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: D. Edgar

4.1 “Be it resolved that the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meetings dated December 17th, 2015 and the January 05th, 2016 be adopted as recorded.”

CARRIED

5. CAO / COMMISSIONER / MANAGER REPORTS

FINANCE

M. Marinovich was present to discuss the Audit Planning Report. He reviewed his report in detail. He noted that accounting and audit changes will come after the DSSMSSAB transition to a self-employment structure and that the Board will realize an increase in auditing fees as a result. The Board requested a written submission from KPMG with the details to the accounting changes after transition.

Resolution #16-009

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: D. Edgar

- 5.1 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Audit Planning Report For the Year Ending December 31, 2015 as prepared and presented by KPMG LLP."

CARRIED

GOVERNANCE / ADMINISTRATION

Resolution #16-016

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 6.1 "Be it resolved that the membership of the 2016 Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation Board include all members of the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Service Administration Board. They are: Judy Hupponen, Lou Turco, Joe Krmptich, Paul Christian, Marchy Bruni, Susan Myers, Ken Lamming, David Edgar, and Janet Gawne"

CARRIED

Resolution #16-020

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: S. Myers

- 8.1 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn in order to move to SSMHC matter."

The meeting adjourned at 5:06 pm to proceed with SSMHC business.

The DSSMSSAB was called to order by Board Chair J. Gawne and reconvened at 5:35 pm.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

M. Figliola spoke to his EMS report. The next steps to push the funding forward may need to come from political and bureaucracy methods. K. Lamming noted

that the community is experiencing difficult economic times and an increase in the levy and taxes could cause hardship. M. Figliola noted that the service levels previously were inadequate with ambulances being unavailable for calls. The pilot program proves the need for the additional vehicle on the road. K. Lamming will be bringing this matter back to his township council.

Discussion about the financial impact on each of the municipalities should the MOHLTC not provide 50/50 funding was debated. Should the 50% funding not come in 2016 the DSSMSSAB has adequate reserves to cover that cost. Moving forward it will affect the levy however the funding should be approved by that time as well. Historically, without exception, the MOHLTC has assumed the 50/50 cost share for additional vehicles after a 1 year trial period.

Resolution #16-010

Moved By: K. Lamming

Seconded By: D. Edgar

- 5.2 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the EMS Funding Report Update prepared by the Fire Chief as information."

CARRIED

COMMUNITY CHILD CARE

M. Nadeau spoke to the Child Care Report. He discussed the enclosed recommendations in detail. A "subsidy follows the child" method is the proposed new funding practice. At this point we have not reached out to the child care providers on this matter.

Resolution #16-011

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: L. Turco

- 5.3 "Be it resolved that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Child Care Funding Model Update Report as prepared by the Community Child Care Manager and approve the recommendations contained within."

CARRIED

HOUSING PROGRAMS

J. Barban discussed the Building Condition Audits report and resolution.

Resolution #16-012

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: D. Edgar

- 5.4 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board enter into a service agreement with the Housing Services Corporation (HSC) to provide Procurement Services for Building Condition Audits (BCA) for all Housing Service Providers at a cost of \$6,700.00, plus applicable taxes. Funds are available through the Investment in Affordable Housing administration funds."

CARRIED

J. Barban and E. Caicco spoke to the Homelessness Partnering Strategy Coordinated Point-in-Time (PiT) Count. E. Caicco was introduced to the Board. She shared her PowerPoint presentation on this matter with the Board. M. Nadeau commented that J. Barban accessed a \$35,000 grant to do the PiT Count process. A training manual for volunteers was prepared in house for this event. PiT counts have been conducted by other communities previously and their policies and procedures have been reviewed and revised for our use.

A sampling of the questions was shared.

Resolution #16-014

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 5.6 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Homelessness Partnering Strategy Coordinated Point-in-Time (PiT) Count Report prepared by the Housing Programs Manager as information."

CARRIED

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

M. Nadeau spoke to his report. He noted that a press conference will be held on Thursday, January 28th to announce the partnership.

Resolution #16-015

Moved By: L. Turco

Seconded By: K. Lamming

- 5.7 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board accept the Strategic Partnership with Economic Development Corporation (EDC) and the Community Development Corporation (CDC) Report prepared by the Commissioner of Social Services as information."

CARRIED

6. GOVERNANCE / ADMINISTRATION

Resolution #16-017

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: K. Lamming

- 6.2 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board now enter into closed session to discuss contractual and human resource matters."

CARRIED

Resolution #16-018

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 6.3 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board now return to open session."

CARRIED

Resolution #16-013

Moved By: J. Krmpotich

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 5.5 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board approve the provision of Property Management services for a fee to the non-profit and co-operative social housing providers when they are seeking to fill vacant staff positions with external property management firms."

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

- DSSMSSAB Cell Phone Contracts

M. Nadeau spoke to the Cell Phone contracts. He noted that the City of SSM is unable initialize any new agreements for cell phones due to the transition of the entity. J. Gawne will write a letter to confirm the DSSMSSABs commitment to cover all outstanding contract post-transition.

- Transition Planning (Steering) Committee Meeting – Wed. Jan. 27th

3:30PM meeting will be scheduled. J. Krmpotich is unable to attend.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #16-019

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: K. Lamming

8.1 "BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn."

CARRIED

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 4:30pm

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm