



Social Services

District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services

Administration Board

Conseil d'Administration des Services du District Sault Ste. Marie

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MINUTES

DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 4:30 PM

90 Chapple Avenue

PRESENT: L. Dufour J. Gawne M. Bruni
K. Lamming D. Edgar L. Vezeau-Allen
D. Hilsinger

STAFF: M. Nadeau S. Ford A. Kohler
D. Petersson D. Langevin J. Barban

GUEST: S. Zuppa, SSMIC

ABSENT: C. Gardi

1. CALL TO ORDER by L. Dufour, Board Chair at 4:33 PM
Lisa Vezeau-Allen was welcomed to the DSSMSSAB

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #22-026

Moved By: K. Lamming

Seconded By: D. Hilsinger

2.1 **“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for April 21, 2022 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

Resolution #22-027

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: J. Gawne

- 4.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting dated **March 17, 2022** be adopted as recorded.”

CARRIED

5. MANAGERS REPORTS

EARLY YEARS

Resolution #22-028

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: L. Vezeau-Allen

- 5.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the April 21 2022, Community Report 2022 – Volume 4, of the Director of Early Years Services as information.”

CARRIED

PARAMEDIC SERVICES

Resolution #22-029

Moved By: D. Hilsinger

Seconded By: J. Gawne

- 5.2 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the April 21, 2022 Fit-2-Sit Program report of the Chief of Paramedic Services as information.”

CARRIED

Resolution #22-030

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: K. Lamming

- 5.3 **“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the April 21, 2022, 72 Tancred Street Temporary Lease Agreement and 65 Old Garden River Road Lease Renewal Report of the Chief of Paramedic Services;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSSMSSAB enter into a temporary lease agreement with the City of Sault Ste. Marie for space at 72 Tancred Street as detailed in the report and renew the lease agreement at 65 Old Garden River Road (OGRR), with the City of Sault Ste. Marie.”

CARRIED

HOUSING SERVICES

Resolution #22-031

Moved By: D. Hilsinger

Seconded By: D. Edgar

- 5.4 **“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the April 21, 2022 Safe Voluntary Isolation Site Program (SVISP) 2022 – 23 Extension report of the Director of Community Housing and Development as information.”

CARRIED

Resolution #22-032

Moved By: K. Lamming

Seconded By: J.Gawne

- 5.5 **“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the April 21, 2022 Reaching Home: Canada’s Homelessness Strategy Incremental funding 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 Investment Plan report of the Director of Community Housing and Development and award the 2022-23 Incremental funding of \$388,089.80, and administration funds of \$30,388.20, to the Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation (SSMHC) for the renovation to the former Sacred Heart building located at 721 Wellington St. E, for a total investment of \$418,478.”

CARRIED

Resolution #22-033

Moved By: M. Bruni

Seconded By: J. Gawne

- 5.6 **“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the April 21, 2022 Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) and Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative (OPHI) Investment Plan Report of the Director of Community Housing and Development;

AND FURTHER THAT the DSSMSSAB award the entire 2022-23 OPHI planned fiscal year allocation of \$431,300 and additional administration funds of \$22,700, to the Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation (SSMHC) by means of an executed Contribution Agreement for the renovation of the former Sacred Heart School located at 721 Wellington St. E.;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSSMSSAB award the planned COCHI 2022-23 fiscal year allocation of \$1,024,843, and additional administration funds of \$53,939, to the SSMHC by the means of an executed Contribution Agreement for various energy retrofits as detailed in the report.”

CARRIED

ADMINISTRATION

Resolution #22-034

Moved By: K. Lamming

Seconded By: J. Gawne

- 5.7 **“WHEREAS** Algoma Public Health has advised that the mental health and addictions rates within the region exceed provincial averages;

AND WHEREAS Opioid-Related deaths and hospital usage exceed provincial averages;

AND WHEREAS addictions and substance use has been reported as the single biggest reason for people becoming and/or remaining chronically homeless within the community;

AND WHEREAS, the local chronic homeless population has increased exponentially since the onset of the pandemic;

AND WHEREAS the public has no local treatment options or services available to community members requiring such services and supports;

AND WHEREAS provincial addiction treatment services and supports that exist outside the community have wait times for service;

AND WHEREAS, the provincial government and Sault Area Hospital (SAH) has previously announced plans to renovate and open a new detox and addiction's service facility;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board request the provincial government to expedite the plans and required funding to open a local addictions treatment centre to assist community members struggling with addiction.”

CARRIED

Resolution #22-035

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: L. Vezeau-Allen

- 5.8 **“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board now enter into closed session for educational purposes relating to confidential provincial information and advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege.”

CARRIED

Entered into closed session at 5:33 PM

Resolution #22-036

Moved By: D. Edgar

Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 5.9 **“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board now returns to open session.”

CARRIED

Returned to open session at 5:52 PM

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- 6.1 City of Sault Ste. Marie Resolution 7.8.2 dated March 21, 2022 appointing Lisa Vezeau-Allen to the DSSMSSAB Board

7. OTHER BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

8. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #22-037

Moved By: K. Lamming

Seconded By: D. Hilsinger

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

CARRIED

Meeting Adjourned at 5:53 PM

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, May 12, 2022 4:30 PM