



**Social Services | Services Sociaux
Zhawenimi-Anokiitaagewin**

Sault Ste. Marie District

District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services
Administration Board
Conseil d'Administration des Services du District
Sault Ste. Marie Zhawenimi-Anokiitaagewin

DSSMSSAB REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 2:15 PM

548 Albert Street East, Sault Ste. Marie, ON

Present: **Stephanie Hopkin**
Lisa Vezeau-Allen
Sonny Spina
Angela Caputo
Lisa Case
Ron Zagordo

Mike Nadeau
Jordan Couturier
Louie Bruni
David Peterson
Kim Mitchell

Katie Kirkham
Jeff Barban
Pam Patteri
Tanya Ritter

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I acknowledge, with respect, that we are in Robinson-Huron Treaty territory, that the land on which we are gathered is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe and known as Bawating. Bawating is the home of Garden River First Nation, Batchewana First Nation, and the Historic Sault Ste. Marie Metis Council.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #24-101

Moved By: E. Palumbo

Seconded By: S. Spina

- 3.1 **“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the **Agenda for November 14, 2024**, District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board meeting be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

5. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Resolution #24-102

Moved By: L. Vezeau- Allen

Seconded By: E. Palumbo

- 5.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the **Minutes** from the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board Meeting dated **October 17, 2024**, be adopted as recorded”.

CARRIED

6. MANAGER’S REPORTS

PARAMEDIC SERVICES

Resolution #24-103

Moved By: R. Zagordo

Seconded By: S. Spina

- 6.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the Paramedic Services Monthly Offload Delay Report as information.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-104

Moved By: E. Palumbo

Seconded By: L. Vezeau Allen

- 6.2 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) approve using up to \$495,000 from the Levy Stabilization Reserves for the purpose of purchasing the following capital items for Paramedic Services:

1. 1 Ambulance
2. 1 PowerLoad System
3. 1 Stair Chair
4. 1 Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV)
5. 2 Defibrillators.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-105

Moved By: R. Zagordo

Seconded By: L. Case

- 6.3 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) enter into a two (2) year extension of the Land Ambulance Maintenance Agreement with the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie. This extension will ensure the continued maintenance of all land ambulance vehicles owned by the DSSMSSAB.”

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES/FINANCE

Resolution #24-106

Moved By: R. Zagordo
Seconded By: S. Spina

- 6.4 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) review the 2025 DSSMSSAB Operating Budget, as presented, and provide direction based on the options brought forward for consideration.”

CARRIED

OPERATIONS

Resolution #24-107

Moved By: E. Palumbo
Seconded By: A. Caputo

- 6.5 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the Point-in-Time (PiT) Count on Homelessness as information.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-108

Moved By: E. Palumbo
Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 6.6 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) approve an allocation of up to \$300,000 from Employment Related Expenses (ERE) to the Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation for the purpose of replenishing the Affordable Home Ownership budget.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-109

Moved By: S. Spina
Seconded By: A. Caputo

- 6.7 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) approve the Canada – Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) funding reallocation as outlined within the report.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-110

Moved By: E. Palumbo
Seconded By: R. Zagordo

- 6.8 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) provide up to \$313,569.91; inclusive of HST to Columbus Club of Sault Ste. Marie Housing Corporation for the purpose of roof replacement to 277A Northern Avenue East –seniors building from 2024/25 COCHI funding.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-111

Moved By: L. Vezeau-Allen
Seconded By: M. Bruni

- 6.9 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) provide up to \$103,540 to Pawating Co-Operative Homes Inc. for the purpose of roof replacement from 2024/25 COCHI funding.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-112

Moved By: S. Spina
Seconded By: A. Caputo

- 6.10 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) approve the sale of 60 London Street to Habitat for Humanity for \$2.00, to be used for future Habitat home development.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-113

Moved By: R. Zagordo
Seconded By: L. Case

- 6.11 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) accept the 2024 Licensed Child Care Spaces and Directed Growth report as Information.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-114

Moved By: E. Palumbo
Seconded By: A. Caputo

- 6.12 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board (DSSMSSAB) now enters a closed session.”

CARRIED

Resolution #24-115

Moved By: L. Vezeau-Allen
Seconded By: M. Bruni

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

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #24-116

Moved By: A. Caputo
Seconded By: S. Spina

- 7.1 “**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services

Administration Board (DSSAB) fully supports the application for a HART Hub submitted by CMHA Algoma and requests that the Minister of Health approve the application in order to save lives, better support community members, and reduce the negative impacts of the local opioid crisis currently experienced by all community members;

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that the DSSAB direct the Chair to write to the Minister of Health requesting approval of CMHA Algoma's HART Hub application”.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #24-117

Moved By: E. Palumbo

Seconded By: R. Zagordo

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



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