



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR BOARD MEETING – THURSDAY OCTOBER 24, 2019 3:00 PM –DNSSAB BOARDROOM, 3RD FLOOR, CITY HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor Mac Bain (North Bay)
Councillor Dave Mendicino (North Bay)
Mayor Dan O'Mara (Temagami) via teleconference
Councillor Dan Roveda (West Nipissing)
Councillor Scott Robertson (North Bay)
Mayor Dean Backer (East Nipissing) via teleconference
Councillor Chris Mayne (North Bay) via teleconference
Representative Amanda Smith (Unincorporated)
Councillor Terry Kelly (East Ferris)

REGRETS:

Mayor Jane Dumas (South Algonquin)
Councillor Bill Vrebosch (North Bay)
Councillor Mark King (North Bay)

STAFF ATTENDANCE:

Melanie Shaye, A/Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Corporate Services
Marianne Zadra, Executive Coordinator and Communications
Jason Corbett, Contract & Purchasing Specialist
Justin Avery, Manager of Finance
Pierre Guenette, Manager, Housing Operations
Stacey Cyopeck, Manager, Housing Programs
Lynn Demore-Pitre, Director, Children's Services
Michelle Glabb, Director, Social Services and Employment
Dave Plumstead, Manager Planning, Outcomes & Analytics. EMS Liaison

Guests

Laureen Linklater-Pizzale – Executive Director, North Bay Indigenous Hub

Brandy Fong, - Manager of Children's Services, North Bay Indigenous Hub

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 3:04 PM by Acting Chair Mac Bain.

Adoption of the Roll Call Resolution No. 2019-140

Moved by: Councillor Dan Roveda

Seconded by: Mayor Dean Backer

That the Board of Directors accepts the Roll Call as read for the Regular Board meeting of October 24, 2019. Motion carried.

Adoption of the Agenda Resolution No. 2019-141

Moved by: Mayor Dean Backer

Seconded by: Councillor Terry Kelly

That the Board accepts the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of October 24, 2019. Motion carried.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts were declared. The chair invited anyone to declare if they found themselves in conflict as the meeting progressed.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

Acting Chair Mac Bain indicated he will Chair the meeting as Councillor Mark King is still busy post-election campaign. He talked about the meeting yesterday with Ministers Yakabuski and Fedeli in Toronto. They discussed the challenges DNSSAB is facing, indicating the Ontario Works base amount is \$980,000 less than we had anticipated. The Minister Fedeli indicated they will meet with the Minister of MCCSS directly. Minister Yakabuski suggested we provide a five-year average of base amounts provided to DNSSAB. The numbers we will look at are the total net costs. Manager of Finance Justin Avery will look at the numbers first and then incorporate the information into the letter that will be sent to the ministers as a follow up to the meeting. The Acting Chair also indicated to the ministers that the Board's stance is not to negotiate in the media but to hear from the DNSSAB directly. Senior staff will be available to speak to any ministers' questions.

The Acting Chair also spoke about a meeting last week with the CAOs and finance people of the DNSSAB's member municipalities about the budget pressures DNSSAB

faces.

The Acting Chair noted that in the Executive meeting minutes there was a discussion about succession planning and indicated that will still be front and centre moving forward.

PRESENTATIONS

Indigenous Hub – Laureen Linklater-Pizzale, Nipissing First Nation Executive Director of the North Bay Indigenous Hub and Brandy Fong the Manager of Children’s Services with the Indigenous Hub.

Brandy Fong provided the background of the Indigenous Hub and the partners that were involved in the project from the perspective of children’s services and early childhood development and learning. The health side was brought into the Hub discussion as well with the primary care team.

Laureen Linklater-Pizzale reviewed the services that will be provided, including primary care that fills gaps in a cultural connection to language, land and community. They will be using both Western and traditional approaches (two-eyed seeing) to care. The Hub is currently recruiting people for the project. They are reaching out to different communities to see what their needs are and how the Hub can support those and services will be customized to that needed support.

There are 87 children in the child care component from infants to school aged children. The outdoor space will be very important and will be used for ceremony as well, i.e. teepee and lodges. The Hub will be offering the EarlyOn program in a culturally safe environment while meeting ministry guidelines for EarlyOn programs. The teaching kitchen will also be used. There will be elders to teach the language.

The hub will support indigenous families in North Bay and partner first nations. Through partnerships, this will increase inclusivity and efforts towards reconciliation in the city. The North Bay Indigenous Hub is now incorporated and has a board of directors. The next steps were reviewed, including establishing policy and a parent advisory council, and obtaining a child care license.

This space will be open to all children. This will not be funded by DNSSAB but by various ministries. The Hub will be hiring about 35 more staff, 42 in total. There will be services for Ojibway and Cree.

The Chair thanked the presenters and added there is excitement in the community about the project.

CAO Report
Resolution #2019-143**Moved by:** Councillor Chris Mayne**Seconded by:** Representative Amanda Smith**Resolved THAT the Board of Directors accepts the Report from the Chief Administrative Officer B07-19, dated October 24, 2019.**

Justin Avery provided an update on the meeting with municipalities about the budget and the impact of the budget on the municipal levy. The figure for the levy would be a number without impact on services. The board is comfortable with Justin informing the municipalities about the estimated increase, ideally one that is lower than 5.5%. Justin should be able to reach a conservative estimated figure in a few weeks and can bring this to the executive committee in two weeks so that the committee can provide direction to Justin. This would be an estimate to help municipalities plan their budgets. During our budget process in November, the board will see the entire proposed budget and will be able to vote on a figure. The Chair advised that any media inquiries will be directed as per our protocol, but that the message remains that we continue to work collaboratively with our partners and the province. Marianne will circulate the budget pressures report once again to municipalities and board members.

Melanie reviewed some of the items in the CAO Report, including the reversal of the Child Benefit Tax and that funding for community support worker position has been secured for another year through Nipissing Mental Health Housing Support Services.

Consent Agenda (These items are subject to change)**Resolution #2019-144****Moved by:** Mayor Dan O'Mara**Seconded by:** Councillor Scott Robertson**Resolved THAT the Board of Directors approves the Consent Agenda of October 24, 2019 which includes the following:****7.1 Executive Audit Committee Minutes – October 9, 2019****7.2 Social Services and Employment Committee Minutes – October 9, 2019****7.3 Children's Services and EMS Committee Minutes – October 9, 2019****7.4 Housing Services Minutes – October 9, 2019****7.5 Correspondence/Media Coverage****7.5.1 Sept 3 Letter from Minister Clark to Chair RE AMO Delegation****7.5.2 Sept 26 Media Release RE Paramedics awards****7.5.3 Sept 27 Bay Today Article RE DNSSAB gives tips on the bed bug problem****7.5.4 Sept 30 MyWestNipissingNow and MyNorthBayNow Article RE Don't let the bedbugs bite**

7.5.5 October 10 Nugget Article RE 'It's a horrible solution, but it's the only solution'

7.5.6 Oct 10 Nugget Article RE Shopping for a job

7.5.7 Oct 10 BayToday Article RE Need a job - North Bay Job fair at the mall Friday Oct 10
BayToday Article RE The Gathering Place is the new Warming Centre but cots may not be permitted

7.5.8 Oct 15 BayToday RE Hundreds turn out for job fair

7.5.9 Oct 16 Nugget Article RE King George sold to film company

7.5.10 Oct 22 Letter to minister Clark from CAO RE CSW funding
Carried.

HS17-19 Reaching Home Community Plan
Resolution #2019-145

Moved by: Councillor Scott Robertson

Seconded by: Councillor Dave Mendicino

Resolved THAT the Board of Directors approve the Reaching Home – Community Plan, attached as Appendix A, for the District of Nipissing as set out in report HS17-19. **Carried.**

HS20-19 Edgewater Collaborative Update
Resolution #2019-146

Moved by: Councillor Dan Roveda

Seconded by: Councillor Chris Mayne

Resolved THAT the Board of Directors receives report HS20-19, Edgewater Collaborative Update, for information purposes.

In - Camera
Resolution #2019-147

Moved by: Representative Amanda Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Chris Mayne

THAT the Board move in-camera at 4:02 under exception #3 of the By-laws, to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, and exception #2 – a matter about an identifiable individual. **Carried.**

[Stacey, Justin, Melanie and Marianne stayed in the room.]

The In-Camera Minutes are filed separately.

Adjourn In-Camera
Resolution #2019-148

Moved by: Representative Amanda Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Terry Kelly

THAT the Board adjourns in-camera at 4:47 PM. Motion carried.

Approve In-Camera
Resolution No. 2019-149

Moved by: Representative Amanda Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Terry Kelly

THAT the Board accepts action(s) discussed in-camera. Motion carried.

New Business

Members were advised of potential changes to committee start times for November and December to allow for extended budget discussions.

Next Meeting Date

Wednesday, November 20, 2019 DNSSAB Boardroom, North Bay City Hall.

Adjournment
Resolution No. 2018-150

Moved by: Mayor Dan O'Mara
Seconded by: Councillor Dan Roveda

***Resolved* That the Board meeting be adjourned at 4:49 p.m.**
Motion carried.

MAC BAIN
ACTING CHAIR OF THE BOARD

MELANIE SHAYE
ACTING SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Minutes of Proceedings Recorder: Marianne Zadra, Executive Coordinator