



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held Thursday, September 17, 2020
in the Boardroom of the Kenora District Services Board in Dryden
and via Zoom videoconferencing

PRESENT Via Boardroom: Andrew Nisly: Township of Sioux Narrows-Nestor Falls; Andrew Poirier: City of Kenora; Barry Baltessen: Lake of the Woods North; Ed Murray: Oxdrift Unincorporated; Martin MacKinnon: City of Dryden; Mark Sobchuk: Lac Seul Unincorporated; Penny Lucas: Township of Ignace; Ron Kujansuu: Municipality of Machin

PRESENT Via Videoconference: Bob Stewart: Lake of the Woods South; Dan Sutton: Township of Ear Falls; Doug Lawrance: Municipality of Sioux Lookout; Fred Mota: Municipality of Red Lake

REGRETS: Dwight Monck: Township of Pickle Lake

STAFF: Henry Wall: Chief Administrative Officer; Sarah Stevenson: Director of Integrated Social Services; Corrine Owen: Director of Finance; Andrew Tickner: Director/Chief of Emergency Medical Services; Ben Reynolds: Director of Infrastructure; Roberta Lappage: Communications Officer; Bri Pollock: Human Resources Manager (via videoconference); Tyler Johnson: Human Resources Coordinator; Kaitlin Cain: Executive Coordinator

REGRETS: Holly McGogy: Human Resources Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Treaty #3 territory.

Acknowledged Andrew Nisly's appointment to the to the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2.1 Resolution to Approve the Amended Agenda

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 167 Moved by Doug Lawrance
Seconded by Martin MacKinnon

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approves the agenda, as amended, for the regular meeting of the Board to be held on Thursday, September 17, 2020 in the Boardroom of the Kenora District Services Board in Dryden and via video conference.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION:

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

The Chair called for declarations of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to the Agenda for this meeting.

No member declared a pecuniary interest with respect to the agenda.

The Chair called upon members present for declarations of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, for minutes of previous meetings at which a member was not in attendance and which had not previously been declared.

No member declared a pecuniary interest with respect to the previous minutes.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1. Resolution to approve Thursday, July 23, 2020 Minutes

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 168

Moved by Fred Mota
Seconded by Andrew Poirier

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approves the minutes of the Thursday, July 23, 2020, regular meeting of the Board of Directors as presented.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: Executive Coordinator

There were no errors or omissions.

4.2 Resolution to approve Thursday, August 27, 2020 Minutes

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 169

Moved by Bob Stewart
Seconded by Andrew Nisly

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approves the minutes of the Thursday, August 27, 2020, special meeting of the Board of Directors as presented.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: Executive Coordinator

There were no errors or omissions.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (*Business Arising from Minutes*)

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 154

The Bear Clan Program did full launch 24/7 this week. All staff for the program have been hired and are in place. This week there was a celebration in Kenora for it which was well attended, and CAO attended from KDSB. This is a collective that every community has pitched in and the program has the means to roll out across the region.

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 156

KDSB has committed \$200,000 to Sunset Family Health Team. The Sunset Family Health Team has hired for those positions of two nurses in Kenora. We are in process of fine tuning that process by filling in the gaps with shelter and other programs and to have a clear sense of what our expectation is.

6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

6.1 Chief Administrative Officer

6.1.1 Resolution to sign certificates for recognition of years of service

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 170

Moved by Mark Sobchuk

Seconded by Ed Murray

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors receive the Chief Administrative Officer's report BR2020 1151;

And further;

THAT the Board acknowledges the dedication of Kenora District Services Board employees and their years of service to the District communities and authorizes the signatures of the Chair and CAO on the certificates.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: Chair/CAO

6.1.2 Resolution to receive report as information

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 171

Moved by Ron Kujansuu
Seconded by Penny Lucas

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors receive the Chief Administrative Officer's report BR2020-1152 – TWOMO Elections as information.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: CAO

KDSB is tasked to conduct elections in our Territories Without Municipal Organization (TWOMO) areas.

6.2 Director of Finance

6.2.1 Resolution to support and approve Business Case

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 172

Moved by Martin MacKinnon
Seconded by Fred Mota

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors receives and accepts the Director of Finances' report BR2020 1153: Social Services Relief Fund Phase 2 Business Case;

And further;

THAT the Board of Directors support and approve the Business Case as submitted to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on September 11, 2020.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: DOF/CAO

6.2.2 2021 Ontario Rent Increase (Verbal Report)

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 173

Moved by Andrew Poirier
Seconded by Bob Stewart

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors receives and accepts the Director of Finances' report BR2020-1145: 2021 Ontario Rent Increase Guideline;

And further;

THAT the Board of Directors approve freezing current market rent values for all Kenora District Services Board's housing stock at 2020 rates as recommended.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: DOF

The guideline for the 2021 Ontario Rent Increase has recently been released. Social housing providers are not limited in this guideline; however, are listed as excluded projects for rent increase. It is important for social housing providers to consider the providers in our market and consider private before doing something out of the rental recommended amount. From looking at the consumer price index, and the medium, we are at a 1.0% increase. From this, it is not expected that the CPI over the entire average to go much higher. The Director of Finance cautioned if the KDSB goes ahead and creates an increase in rent it would not reflect what is going on with CPI's and what the government is looking at. The Director of Finance recommended to do more research next year with the 2021 rent increase and not to increase rent this year.

6.3 Director of Infrastructure

6.3.1 Resolution to provide direction to Administration staff

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 174

Moved by Andrew Nisly
Seconded by Doug Lawrance

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors accepts the Director of Infrastructure's report BR2020 1150 as information and provides direction to Administration staff on what next steps should be taken with regards to new construction.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: DOI

Action item: Staff will come up with a plan and come back to the Board for better accommodations for staff at the Pickle Lake EMS Base.

6.3.2 Resolution to execute a contract and to submit an application

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 175

Moved by Martin MacKinnon
Seconded by Andrew Poirier

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to execute a contract for the NZER Feasibility Study with Keewatin-Aski Ltd as outlined in the Director of Infrastructure's Report BR2020-1146;

And further;

THAT the Board of Directors authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to submit an application for a Study Grant under the FCM GMF Sustainable Affordable Housing Program, as well as an application for a Capital Project: New Build, should the feasibility study warrant the submission.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: CAO

6.4 Director of Integrated Social Services

6.4.1 Safe Restart Funding (Ministry of Education) Agreement (Verbal Report)

Received notification Ministry of Education for safe start of childcare centers. It did not include indigenous led because the KDSB has been excluded. ISS is working with Finance to determine how to use that funding. KDSB has received Safe Start Funding for Early Years. Allocation did not include indigenous led program because KDSB is not part of the funding model provided.

6.5 Director/Chief of Emergency Medical Services

6.5.1 Alternative Models of Care Proposal (Verbal Report)

Back in mid-August, the Ministry began a conversation originally regarding alternative models of care. Currently the Ministry has proposals for ways of re-routing 911 calls. There have been a few models presented that follow palliative care where you go to somebody's house to treat their pain. Currently, there is not a big update across the Province on these alternative models of care because it needs buy in from the health community. We need to do more consultation, and create a needs analysis, to figure out what is needed for our communities. One area that has been identified is referrals. EMS has identified that having an individual who can keep reviewing referrals to make certain that they're being managed. As a next step, the Director of EMS will bring forward to the Board another proposal so that KDSB can start moving ahead with some of these some of these things as they come up as identified through a needs analysis.

7. IN-CAMERA

7.1 Resolution to convene to In-Camera meeting

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 176 Moved by Mark Sobchuk
Seconded by Ed Murray

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors convenes to an In-Camera meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2020.

CALLED; CARRIED **ACTION: File**

7.2 Resolution to approve Agenda for In-Camera meeting

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 177 Moved by Penny Lucas
Seconded by Martin MacKinnon

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approves the agenda, for an In-Camera meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2020.

CALLED; CARRIED **ACTION: File**

7.3 Resolution to resume public meeting.

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 178 Moved by Penny Lucas
Seconded by Martin MacKinnon

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors resumes the public Board meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2020.

CALLED; CARRIED **ACTION: File**

Meeting break from 12:00 to 12:30 PM. Resumed In-Camera meeting at 12:31 PM.

Staff were asked to leave at 12:50 PM. Executive Coordinator returned at 1:03 PM to resume In-Camera Meeting.

7.4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN-CAMERA

7.4.1 Resolution to accept in-camera report

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 179 Moved by Andrew Nisly
Seconded by Andrew Poirier

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors accepts the Director of Infrastructure's report BR2020-1159 as information.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: DOI

7.4.2 Resolution to accept in-camera report

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 180

Moved by Mark Sobchuk
Seconded by Ed Murray

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors accepts the Director of Infrastructure's report BR2020-1149 as information.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: DOI

7.4.3 Resolution to accept in-camera report

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 181

Moved by Ron Kujansuu
Seconded by Bob Stewart

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors accepts the Director of Infrastructure's report BR2020-1148 as information.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: DOI

7.4.4 Resolution to authorize new EMS base

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 182

Moved by Fred Mota
Seconded by Matin MacKinnon

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors accept the Chief/Director of Emergency Medical Services' report BR2020-1160 dated September 17, 2020 regarding Wabaseemoong (Whitedog) First Nation Ambulance – Funding update;

And further,

THAT the Board of Directors authorize Chief Administrative and Chief/Director of Emergency Medical Services to engage Wabaseemong Independent Nation on the development of an EMS facility in Wabaseemong First Nation;

And further,

THAT the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to purchase two Ambulances with Power Stretcher/Power Lift and medical equipment prior to March 31, 2021 as outlined in the Chief/Director of Emergency Medical Services' report BR2020-1160;

And further,

THAT the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to proceed with the necessary recruitment for the needed paramedic positions required as outlined in the funding request by the Kenora District Services Board to the Ministry of Health.

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: CAO/DEMS

7.4.5 Resolution to authorize submission of business plan

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 183

Moved by Mark MacKinnon
Seconded by Penny Lucas

RESOLVED THAT THAT the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to finalize and execute the land sale with the City of Kenora as outline in the Chief Administrative Officer's report BR2020-1157;

And further,

THAT the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to fund the land purchase from the Working Reserve Funding;

And further,

THAT the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to submit a business plan to the Province of Ontario for the creation of a transitional housing development for the purpose of supporting individuals existing the justice system in the District of Kenora;

And further,

THAT the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare and submit the necessary capital funding applications for the transitional housing development(s).

CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: CAO

8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES/TASK FORCES

None

9. RESOLUTIONS

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMUNICATIONS

None

12. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

None

13. PETITIONS

None

14. CLOSURE

MOTION NO.: 2020 - 184

Moved by Doug Lawrance
Seconded by Ron Kujansuu

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors adjourns the September 17, 2020, meeting.

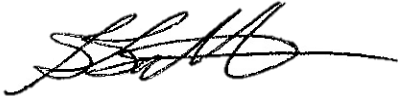
CALLED; CARRIED

ACTION: File

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 pm.

Approved by Resolution No. 2020-188

This 15 day of October, A.D. 2020.



Chair