

Gogama Local Services Board
PRESENTATION of 2020-21 BUDGET ESTIMATES
AND
APPROVAL OF PROPOSED USER FEES
November 30, 2020

MINUTES

1. Posting of 2020-21 Budget Estimates & Approval of Proposed User Fees

The approved 2020-21 Budget Estimates & Approval of Proposed User Fees package was posted for public viewing as well as mailed out to inhabitants on November 20, 2020.

The notice to the public included the following;

Step 1: Review of budget sheet for each service the Board provides and the sheet outlining the proposed user fees structure for 2020-21.

Step 2: Public review period closes November 27, 2020 at 12:00 noon.

Questions can be submitted:

- In writing to the Board office via email at glsb10@ontera.net
- By phone at (705)894-2555 from 9:00AM to 12:00 noon
- In person by appointment from 9:00AM to 12:00 noon

Step 3: In person vote Monday, November 30, 2020 from 4:00PM to 7:00PM at the Community Centre.

Those wishing to vote by email can request a ballot in advance. Ballots submitted by email will be accepted until November 30, 2020 at 7:00PM.

Step 4: Vote counting, Monday, November 30, 2020 at 7:00PM.

Votes will be counted by two scrutineers and, if possible, observed by a representative of the Ministry of Energy, Northern Development & Mines (MENDM) or videotaped for posterity.

2. Public Vote

The polls for the public vote on the 2020-21 Budget Estimates & Approval of Proposed User Fees opened at 4:00PM on November 30, 2020.

All ballots were provided to inhabitants by the Secretary Treasurer.

The ballot box was inspected by the first inhabitant to cast their vote and was verified as being empty.

Ballots requested in advance and submitted by email:	6
Ballots cast in person:	8
Ballots rejected:	0
Total Ballots counted:	14

3. Vote Counting

The polls closed on November 30, 2020 at 7:00PM.

The following scrutineers volunteered to count the ballots;

- Helen Beauchamp
- Gerry Talbot

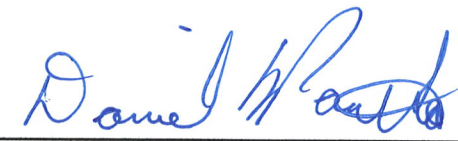
The scrutineers were observed by Heather Chertow, MENDM representative. Also present to observe the ballot count was the Chairperson and the Secretary Treasurer.

4. Results:

<u>USER FEE</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>APPROVED</u>
Administration User Fee	0.00%	YES
Recreation User Fee	11.4%	YES
Fire Protection User Fee	28.9%	YES
Water User Fee	0.00%	YES
Sewer User Fee	8.0%	YES
Garbage Collection/Disposal	0.00%	YES

The approval of the overall 4.5% User Fee increase for the 2020-21 User Fees was based on the majority of votes cast.


Christine Bedard – Secretary Treasurer


Daniel Mantha - Chairperson