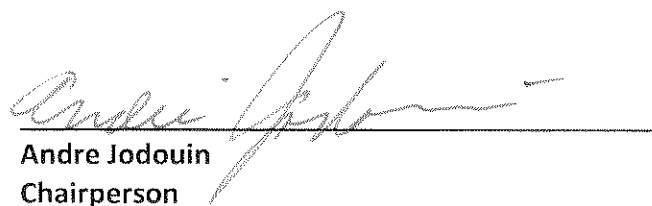


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- June 1, 2017 Monthly Board Meeting
- July 6, 2017 Monthly Board Meeting
- July 6, 2017 Special Board Meeting
- August 11, 2017 Special Board Meeting
- September 1, 2017 Monthly Board Meeting
- September 8, 2017 Elections Meeting

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Andre Jodouin
Chairperson

Local Services Board of Gogama
Monthly Board Meeting –
September 1/ 2017
Gogama Community Center – 7:00pm
AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order and roll call –

Mike Benson called the meeting to order at 7:12pm and welcomed the members of the public that came out to the meeting stating it was nice to have so many people come to the meeting. He requested that all questions and comments be saved until the end of the meeting.

Present

Absent

Mike Benson – Chairperson
Tracey Smith – Vice Chairperson via Conference call
Michel Verroneau
Richard Gravelle
Mark Smith - Via conference call

13 members of the public

2. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

None

3. Acceptance of Agenda

Tracey moved to accept the agenda. Seconded by Richard. All in favor. Agenda accepted

4. Acceptance of minutes

4.1 - June 2017 Meeting – Deferred to next meeting

4.2 - July 2017 Meeting - Deferred to next meeting

5. Disbursements:

5.1 Monthly Budget Review

Michel Verroneau stated that the bookkeeper wasn't completely aware of the meeting, so there was nothing prepared but the bookkeeper had no concerns.

6. Asset Management Planning

6.1 Water leak, main hall ceiling. The drywall is falling. Men's bathroom sink is falling off the wall. Women's bathroom ceiling leaking around the middle light in the women's bathroom.

Tracey Smith stated it was the same issue as earlier in the year, but getting worse with the drywall falling. She suggested going back to Kevin to see if he would guarantee his work, as he did the original repairs.

Mike said that they would speak to Kevin about the repairs.

Tracey also stated that the men's bathroom sink should be replaced. Mike agreed, and informed Tracey that Richard had already replaced the toilets and was in the process of changing the sinks in the bathroom.

7. Unfinished Business

7.1 – Administrative Portfolio

7.1.1 -Received OCIF funding, a total of \$5750.00

7.1.2 -Termination of Christine Bedard. July 24/2017

A Member of the public requested to know the reason behind Christine's dismissal. Mike stated that the dismissal was due to the basic inability to do the job, and that the board was unanimous regarding the decision.

7.1.3 -New Secretary

When the Board Terminated the contract with Christine, they advertised the job for the Secretary. The board received five(5) applications for the position and conducted 2 interviews. Erin Beilhartz was the successful applicant.

* the public was requesting the names of the 5 applicants.

7.1.4- Received the bi-yearly Operating grant from MNDM. A sum of \$22,475.50

7.2 – Garbage Collection Portfolio

No new Business

7.3 - Financial Portfolio

No new Business

7.4 – Fire protection Portfolio

No new Business

7.5 – Library Portfolio

No new Business

7.6 – Recreation Portfolio

No new Business

7.7 – Water/ Sewer Portfolio

-Renewal of OCWA contract

The board members discussed the 3 options for the new OCWA contract. The first option was a fixed cost of \$126,000. The second option was \$110,160 with any valve turning at an extra cost. The 3rd option was declined right away as the client does not know the cost up from.

The public wanted to know who paid for the valve turning with the second option. Mike stated that the board paid for any valve turning. Rachelle Minarik asked if that could be changed so that the person requesting the valve turning could be charged the fee as opposed to the Board. Mike stated that was possible, if the procedure was changed with the board.

The board members decided on the second option.

Tracey Moved to pass the decision. Seconded by Michele.

Richard abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.

All in favor, Motion passed.

Some members of the public were unhappy with the decision, wanting the next board to make the decision, even though the deadline was before the next board would take over.

-Operators manual updated

8.0 – New Business

8.1 – Correspondence

8.2 - Administrative Portfolio

8.2.1- Received \$5750.00 Clean Water Waste Program

8.2.2- received \$9064.00 Gas Tax Fund

8.2.3 – Custodial Manager New Contract

No changes to the contract.

Tracey Moved to accept the new contract. Michele seconded the motion. All in favor, Motion Carried.

8.2.4 - Secretary New Contract

Tracey Moved to accept the new contract. Michele seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion Carried.

8.2.5 – Banking Changes

The bank requested the Board's approval to change signing authority on the LSB accounts. Christine Bedard no longer has access to the board accounts, as she was no longer employed with the Board. Erin Beilhartz, as secretary, required signing authority to the LSB accounts.

Michele Moved to allow Erin signing authority on the accounts. Seconded by Tracey. All in favor. Motion carried.

8.3 – Garbage Collection Portfolio

No new business

8.4 – Financial Portfolio

No new Business

8.5 – Fire protection Portfolio

- Enhanced 911

Gogama will have enhanced 911 services starting in December. The service will be provided by dispatch. The cost of the service will be an extra 100\$ per month. Mike stated that there was still a lot of work to be done inputting proper information, but the charges for the service would start in December, even if the information wasn't ready.

Some of the information that needed to be sorted was the old vs. new addresses, and that some phone numbers were listed under the name of a deceased resident, not the name of the widow still living at the residence.

8.6 – Library Portfolio

The library had a visitor come in. Giselle Constantin said that the library visitors were up and everything was going well.

8.7 – Recreation Portfolio

8.8 – Water/Sewer Portfolio

8.8.1- use of OCIF funding

8.8.2- deadline extension for OCIF funding top up. Deadline October 13th

9. – Deputations or delegations or discussions from the floor

Edmond was concerned that there had been no increase in water/sewer fees recently and was worried about getting a big Bill once the new board takes over to compensate for the lack of increase.

Mike stated that they won't be getting charged extra. Any changes to the costs would be minimal. Rachelle stated that the valve opening shouldn't be free. Mike stated it was a board by-law that the valve opening service was free, but that it could be changed.

Andre expressed concern over Christine's dismissal, stating that there should have been a special meeting/ notice. Mike stated that there were two meetings with the board, with all board members present. Mark Smith stated that the job was a contract position and the public has no bearing regarding the job. Mike stated that there was a unanimous email vote before voting in person to terminate the contract and that they followed the Directions of the MNDM.

After accusations of lying from a member of the public, and loss of order, the Board,
having no more business to discuss, decided to end the meeting

10. Having no more business to discuss, Tracey Moved for Adjournment.

Seconded by Richard to end the meeting. All members in Favor. Meeting ended.

Erin Beilhartz
Secretary

Edward Benson
Chairperson