

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Committee Room C-10
Tom Davies Square

Thursday, September 12th, 2013
Commencement: 11:40 a.m.

Chair

DARREN STINSON IN THE CHAIR

Present

Fabio Belli (D. 1:25 p.m.), Gisèle Chrétien, Vicki Jacobs, Dave Kilgour (D. 1:30 p.m.), Paul Kusnierczyk, Mark Laberge (D. 1:30 p.m.), Troy Rainville, Darren Stinson, Brian Vaillancourt, Wendy Watson

City Officials

Doug Nadorozny (A. 11:55 a.m.), Paul Baskcomb (A. 11:50 a.m.), Ian Wood, Meredith Armstrong, Jody Cameron, John Antonioni, Jean-Mathieu Chenier, Scott Fisher, Dana Jennings, Liam McGill, Jacinda McLean, Scott Rennie, Eleethea Savage, Emily Trottier, Kathryn O'Leary, Christine Hogarth, Mike Whitehouse

Guests

Dr. Francisco Diaz-Mitoma, CEO and Scientific Director, Mark Hartman, Chief Operating Officer - Advanced Medical Research Institute of Canada (AMRIC)

Agenda Review

There were no changes.

Declarations of
Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

Minutes

Vicki Jacobs/Fabio Belli: That the minutes of the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation Board of Directors regular meeting of August 14th, 2013 be adopted.

CARRIED

Executive Committee Notes

The Executive Committee meeting notes of August 7th, 2013 were presented to Board members.

Presentations:
Advanced Medical Research
Institute of Canada (AMRIC)

Dr. Francisco Diaz-Mitoma, CEO and Scientific Director of the Advanced Medical Research Institute of Canada (AMRIC) presented to the Board on their request for funding to renovate the Walford site into a state of the art research space.

The regular meeting moved to a closed session at 12:15 p.m.

Vicki Jacobs/Gisèle Chrétien: That the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation Board of Directors regular meeting be adjourned and move to closed session for the discussion of AMRIC's presentation and request.

CARRIED

The closed session concluded and the Board reconvened to the regular meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Gisèle Chrétien/Vicki Jacobs: That the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation Board of Directors reconvene to the regular meeting.

CARRIED

Business Incentives

Staff were directed to prepare a report on Municipal Business Incentives. The report was presented to the Board for input prior to being finalized for presentation to Council. The report outlined recommendations for the development of a new Community Improvement Plan (CIP) and associated business incentive tools.

Staff provided an overview of the proposed model which included a sector focus and minimum targets.

A discussion followed the presentation. The board members raised a number of concerns with the minimum investment and job creation targets. Staff was directed to obtain further information including some comparative data and quantitative language and report back to the Board at a future meeting.

Reports:

Public Budget Request for Increased Arts & Culture Grants Funding

During the public budget input session, a group of stakeholders requested a budget enhancement to the Major Arts & Culture Grant stream of \$250,000 per year.

Staff were directed to review the request and prepare a report for consideration by Council. Given the role of the GSDC Board in allocating the major arts and culture grants, staff and the GSDC Executive felt the report should come to the Board for input prior to being finalized for presentation to Council.

Staff provided an overview of the draft report to Council and the recommended options.

The Options are as follows:

Option #1: \$250,000 Budget Enhancement to Major Arts & Culture Grants

Option #2: \$47,563 to both Major and Community Arts & Culture Grant Streams

The recommendation also included the Major and Community Arts & Culture grant funding envelopes as eligible for automatic inflationary increases in future budget years.

The Board supported the recommended options to Council.

Director's Report

Several items were highlighted in the Director's Report.

A response from FedNor is expected soon on the application for Phase 2 of the Mining Supply and Services Export Assistance Program. ONEDC will be sending a letter to the Minister of State for FedNor.

Staff will participate in the provincial delegation to attend this year's Mining Mazma Conference in Bangalore, India, September 18-21. Staff will present "The Sudbury Advantage" during the Canada-Ontario Day at the conference and to members of the Federation of Indian Mining Industries. The delegation will also visit an operating Ferrochrome smelter in Bhubenaswar.

The foundational role of the GSDC was recognized by LU President, Dominic Giroux during the official opening of the Laurentian School of Architecture on September 4th.

Staff continue to administer the project to support the development of LU Architecture.

The Market has seen over 5,000 visitors since it opened at its new location in June. Partnering with the Blueberry Festival saw nearly 1,000 people attend the Market for its pancake breakfast on July 10th.

Plans are underway to host the first public event for the Cultural Plan development during Culture Days at The Market from September 28th-29th. The public is invited to attend and provide interpretations of Greater Sudbury's culture that will then be utilized to define the strategic directions with the Community Liaison Group.

The Learning Spark is an outdoor festival dedicated to what children do naturally: Play! The event is being held Saturday, September 14th from 10 a.m to 4 p.m in Memorial park.

On September 11th, staff provided an orientation to Greater Sudbury at a meeting of staff from the Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Employment (MEDTE). Staff will continue to work with MEDTE staff to identify opportunities for our community.

A consortium led by JWP Strategy International has started work towards an Investment Development Strategy and Action Plan for the GSDC. The group will be doing background research and conducting stakeholder interviews over the next month. Staff expect to bring an interim report to the Board in November.

Toronto Celebrates Sudbury is taking place on Thursday, November 7th, 2013 at 7 p.m. at the Hockey Hall of Fame in downtown Toronto with a hockey themed menu.

Other Business

At the Board Executive's approval, the October board meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday, October 17th, 2013.

GSDC Board Member Issues

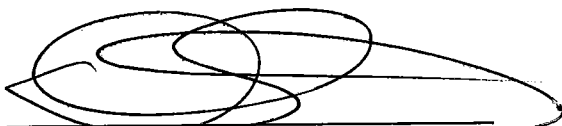
The Chair requested an update from staff on Sport Tourism, which will be provided at a future meeting.

Upcoming Events

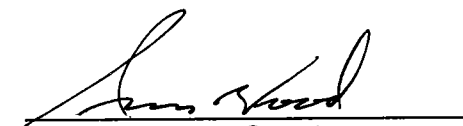
The 13th Annual Bridges to Better Business Event hosted by the Regional Business Centre will be held from October 21st – 25th, 2013.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.



Chair



Secretary