

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

Room C-12
Tom Davies Square

Wednesday, June 15, 2016
Commencement: 11:45 a.m.

Chair

DARREN STINSON IN THE CHAIR

Present

Brent Battistelli, Brian Vaillancourt (by phone), Daran Moxam, Darren Stinson, David Paquette, Deb McIntosh (D. 12:28 p.m.), Gisèle Chrétien, Iyo Grenon (by phone), Jennifer Witty, Paul Kusnierczyk, Peter Nykilchuk, Pierre Zundel (A. 12:20 p.m.), Wendy Watson

City Officials

Ian Wood, Meredith Armstrong, Eleethea Savage, Emily Trottier, Jacinda McLean, Liam McGill, Scott Rennie, Lynn Despatie, Paul Schweyer, Sarah Colton, Kathryn O'Leary

Guests

Joyce Mankarios, Karen Hourtovenko, Joanne Gervais, Angela Recollet

Agenda Review

There were no changes to the agenda.

Declarations of
Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest

Approval of Minutes

2016-041 Peter Nykilchuk/Gisèle Chrétien: That the minutes of the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation Board of Directors regular meeting of May 11, 2016, be adopted.

CARRIED

Executive Committee Notes

The Executive Committee notes of May 4th, 2016 were presented to Board members for information only. It was also noted that Ed Archer, the City's new CAO, was in attendance at the last Executive meeting, however could not attend the Board meeting as he was attending the Northern Ontario Large Urban Mayors (NOLUM) meeting with Mayor Bigger.

GSDC Nomination

Paul Kusnierczyk provided an update on the nomination process. It was brought to the Nomination Committee's attention that renewals for two members were inadvertently missed during the nomination process. As such, the members were asked if they were interested in remaining on the Board and both members indicated their desire to continue. The following motion was presented:

2016-042 Wendy Watson/Gisèle Chrétien: That the members of the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation recommend the re-appointment of Brian Vaillancourt to serve on the Board of Directors of the City of Greater Sudbury Community Development Corporation for a three (3) year term ending June 2019; and

That the members of the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation recommend the re-appointment of Yonaniko Grenon to serve on the Board of Directors of the City of Greater Sudbury Community Development Corporation for a one (1) year term ending June 2017.

CARRIED

Presentations:

There were no presentations.

Reports:

A) C.E.D. Update

Staff provided an update on the last CED meeting. The committee had a lengthy discussion on CED guidelines which included a review of current guidelines, what the committee is trying to accomplish, identifying what changes need to be made and how to advance the goals of the strategic plan. A number of questions and comments were raised. Staff took notes and are working through the questions, comments and suggestions.

The next CED meeting which will include new and past members of the CED committee will be set aside to complete the discussion on CED guidelines and work through the options that staff will present. It is anticipated that staff will get some direction to formalize into a report to present to the Board for finalization.

B) Greater Sudbury Airport Board Update

Brent Battistelli provided an update on the Airport Board. He provided a brief overview of the Airport's fiscal responsibility challenges, the new aviation hangar, and reducing operating expenses.

Some of the challenges the Airport is experiencing includes the decline in air travel due in part to the economy. The Airport has made some capital investments in infrastructure renewal with upgrades to the runways, new fencing, and 7,000 sq ft of equipment storage. The new hangar supports the growth of Discovery Air and is also prepared for expansion. The Airport has some new pieces of technology to improve their operations and is investment ready in terms of land development.

It was suggested that the Airport give some consideration to a shuttle service.

Director's Report

A few items from the Director's report were highlighted:

1. On May 25th, Federal Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development, Navdeep Bains, and Sudbury MPP Glenn Thibeault, respectively announced FedNor and NOHFC funding of \$952,200 each towards the Phase 3 Northern Ontario Exports Program. The announcement took place at B&D Manufacturing in Chelmsford, highlighting their participation in an earlier phase of the program. Over the next two years, the Northern Ontario Exports Program will assist 20 companies in developing export strategies and marketing/sales plans, another 15 companies with additional consulting on previously developed plans, 10 companies through customized sales training, approximately 80 companies through export marketing assistance, as well as additional value-added workshops, two Northern Ontario Export Forums, and a Northern Ontario Pavilion and Reception at Minexpo 2016 this September. A key feature of the Phase 3 program will be a goal to work with a number of companies outside of the mining supply and services sector on their export development.
2. In collaboration with a diverse group of education and community partners, Economic Development staff hosted a very successful familiarization tour for ICEF international student recruitment agents from May 9th to 11th in Greater Sudbury. Stakeholders from all four school boards, Laurentian University, Collège Boréal, Cambrian College, the Greater Sudbury Chamber of Commerce and the City of Greater Sudbury joined the guest agents at Science North for a Welcome Reception on May 9th, which featured performances and presentations from high school students of all four boards, following words of welcome from Mayor Bigger and Dr. Darren Stinson on behalf

of the GSDC. Over the next two days, the fam tour also introduced the guest agents to nine different schools and campuses, and the stop at the Big Nickel for photo opportunities was a big hit as well. The agents themselves had excellent feedback with value for future efforts, and the partners will be meeting in June to debrief and discuss future collaborations.

3. Greater Sudbury is now officially a bid community for the Canada Summer Games 2021, competing with Ottawa, the Niagara Region and the combined cities of Kitchener, Waterloo, Cambridge and Guelph. Phase 1 of the bidding process involves a detailed technical review of the Sport Venues, Non-Sport Venues, Games Village and Venues Development. Tourism & Culture staff are working together with Citizen & Leisure Services to bring the various community groups, sport clubs, city departments and stakeholders together to complete the comprehensive bid process by the June 30th deadline, and to prepare for subsequent site visits that will occur the end of August. This process is proving very helpful for strengthening community relationships and creating an up to date inventory for future hosting opportunities and development.
4. Staff attended the Grand Opening of the Northern Water Sports Centre (NWSC) on Saturday, May 28th. Perfect weather assisted in a very well attended and well organized event that showcased the newest addition to the city's facilities with potential for hosting meetings, convention and sporting events. Staff are also working to support the Canoe Club on a new opportunity for NWSC to become the CanoeKayak Canada Team Training Centre for the Women's National Canoe Team, with many other opportunities and ideas being explored to utilize this facility.
5. The Summer Company program is now underway with a new set of young entrepreneurs ready to get working on their very own businesses. The Regional Business Centre was allocated 12 spaces this year and we are pleased to report that all of these spaces have been filled. Students will take part in a series of training and mentoring sessions over the summer to complement their hands on business activities.
6. On May 24th Lynn Despatie joined the Economic Development Team as a Business Development Officer.

Other Business There were no other business items.

GSDC Board Member Issues There were no board member issues.

Upcoming Events Upcoming events include:

1. Next GSDC Board meeting – July 13, 2016
2. Mayor's State of the City – June 23, 2016
3. Chamber Luncheon: Hon. Michael Gravelle – June 29, 2016

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

2016-043 Brent Battistelli/Paul Kusnierczyk: That the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation Board of Directors regular meeting be adjourned and moved to closed session.

CARRIED

Reconvene to Regular Board Meeting


The Executive Session concluded and the Board reconvened to its regular meeting at 1:10 p.m.

2016-047 Pierre Zundel/Paul Kusnierczyk: That the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation Board of Directors reconvene to the regular meeting.

CARRIED

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.



Chair



Secretary