

LOCAL SERVICES BOARD OF NOLALU
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2018
7:30 PM
Nolalu Community Centre

Attendance:

Board Members: Debra Hitz, Rob Kitson, Sharon Low (Chair), Rox-Anne Moore
Secretary/Treasurer: Karen Caren
NCC: Phyllis Garton
NEST: Sarah Shoemaker

Absent with Notice: Sherida Bowey

1. Call to Order and Review of Agenda

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Without objection, the following was added to the agenda:

8.2 Livestock Evacuation in Emergency Procedures Plan

2. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. Approval of Minutes – January 23, 2018 Meeting

Resolution No. 2018-07:

Moved by Rob Kitson, seconded by Rox-Anne Moore,

THAT the regular meeting minutes of January 23, 2018, as circulated, be accepted.

CARRIED

4. Financial Reports – January 2018

Resolution No. 2018-08:

Moved by Debra Hitz, seconded by Rox-Anne Moore,

THAT the LSB expenditures of \$3,810.59 for administration, \$2,496.00 for recreation services and \$4,650.58 for fire protection services for a total of \$10,957.17 for the month of January 2018 be accepted; and

THAT the reserve account, petty cash and bank account transactions and balances for January 2018, as per the financial statement as compared to budget, have been reviewed and are hereby approved.

CARRIED

5. Updates

5.1 NCC

Phyllis Garton noted that there is a new editor for the Grassroots. The newsletter has a fresh new look and will go back to a bimonthly format with advertising. The fish derby is coming up and since prize donations have been low, NCC is spending money on prizes.

5.2 NEST

Sarah Shoemaker noted that there was only one call last month. The low call volume is due to ambulance dispatch now only calling out for critically ill patients. Sarah talked about the impacts of the proposed new firefighter training standard, where all firefighters must have a basic certification, which means attending the Fire College in Gravenhurst, Ontario. However, the new standard is not yet law.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Community Clothing Assistance – Workshop of Referral Program

Sharon summarized a letter from the Community Clothing Assistance, an organization that provides free clothing to people in crisis. The organization is seeking partners in its referral program. It was the consensus that neither the LSB nor the NCC has clients to which this program would be relevant. However, the Fire Chief, Sarah Shoemaker, requested the contact information of the organization since NEST may deal with people in crisis requiring clothing.

7. Old Business

7.1 LSB Association Update

Sharon advised that the Steering Committee met with the researcher from the Northern Policy Institute who is conducting a research project on LSBs. The Northern Policy Institute is think tank partially funded by the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines. The research project on LSBs is focusing on what is working and what is not working with LSBs. The Committee brainstormed ideas with the researcher.

The Steering Committee will next meet to discuss the arrangement of a meeting of all the LSB's to be held in early May. At that Association meeting, revisions to the *Northern Services Board Act* will be proposed.

8. New Business

8.1 Review of Procedural By-law

It was the consensus that no amendments to the By-law were required.

8.2 Livestock Evacuation in Emergency Procedures Plan

Sharon noted that in the Emergency Procedures Plan there is a procedure for the evacuation of livestock to the community pasture in O'Connor Township. Previous manager, Peter Vanlenthe, had approved this. Larry Bockus is the current manager of the pasture, which is governed by a board of directors. Without objection, Sharon undertook to write a letter to this board asking permission for the pasture to be used for the evacuation of livestock in the event of an emergency. It was noted that the logistics of transporting the livestock to the pasture would also need to be arranged.

Other Business – At the January 2018 meeting there was a side discussion of the usual ad that is placed in the January issue of the Grassroots advising the public to refer to the December issue of the Ontario Gazette to see the properties in the Nolalu LSB jurisdiction that are in tax arrears and will be vested by the Crown. At that meeting, Debra Hitz had undertaken to look into the Ontario Gazette to see how easy the process is to find these properties. She noted that it is very difficult to maneuver the Gazette online but that apparently archived paper copies are available at the local libraries in the City of Thunder Bay. Karen noted that the ad, which contains the process to find the information and the owner of the properties, has been posted on the LSB webpage for reference for those persons who may be interested in looking for tax arrear properties.

9. Adjournment of Meeting

The next regular meeting is March 27, 2018 at 7:30 PM.

Resolution No. 2018-09:

Moved by Rob Kitson, seconded by Debra Hitz,

THAT there being no further business and the time being 8:10 PM, the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Chair _____ Secretary/Treasurer _____