

**THE THIRTY-NINTH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

C-11
Tom Davies Square

Thursday, September 29, 2005
Commencement: 6:05 p.m.

DEPUTY MAYOR BRADLEY, IN THE CHAIR

Present Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Caldarelli (A6:07pm); Callaghan; Dupuis; Gasparini; Kett; Reynolds; Rivest; Thompson (A6:07pm)

City Officials M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; C. Matheson, General Manager of Community Development; A. Stephen, General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services; R. Swiddle, City Solicitor; P. Thomson, Director of Human Resources & Organization Development; E. Eibl, Co-ordinator of Human Resources; A. Haché, City Clerk; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest None declared.

"In Camera" 2005-305 Bradley-Dupuis: That we move "In Camera" to deal with Labour Relation and Personnel Matters in accordance with Article 15.5 of the City of Greater Sudbury Procedure By-law 2002-202 and the Municipal Act, 2001, s.239(2).

CARRIED

Recess At 7:00 p.m., Council recessed.

Reconvene At 7:05 p.m., Council commenced the regular meeting in the Council Chamber.

Chair **HIS WORSHIP MAYOR DAVID COURTEMANCHE, IN THE CHAIR**

Present Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Caldarelli; Callaghan; Dupuis; Gasparini; Kett; Reynolds; Rivest; Thompson

City Officials M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; C. Matheson, General Manager of Community Development; B. Lautenbach, Acting General Manager of Growth & Development; A. Stephen, General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services; J. Van de Rydt, Acting CFO/Treasurer; R. Swiddle, City Solicitor; G. Lamothe, Manager of Corporate Communications & French Language Services; J. Cunningham, Deputy Police Chief, Greater Sudbury Police Services; C. Ouellette, Director of Children Services; J. McKechnie, Executive Assistant to the Mayor; T.C. Wu, Senior Planner; S. Monet, Manager of Environmental Planning Initiatives; M. Manzon, Senior Planning Technician; K. Carre, Planning

City Officials
(continued)

Cartographer Technician; C. Salazar, Manager of Corporate Strategy & Policy Analyst; K. Lessard, Law Clerk; K. Barber, Policy/Community Developer; R.A. Linck; Teacher; J. Gallo, Senior Teacher; D. Donaldson, Fire Chief; A. Haché, City Clerk; M. Laalo, Licensing and Assessment Clerk; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; MCTV; CIGM; Channel 10 News; Le Voyageur; Northern Life; Sudbury News Now

Declarations of
Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

Opening Remarks

Mayor Courtemanche welcomed the Nursing students from Cambrian College.

Deputy Mayor Bradley welcomed a delegation of Jamaican professionals who were visiting the City of Greater Sudbury as part of a professional study tour of Canadian organizations. He advised that the focus of the Sudbury visit is on economic development and municipal planning as well as on education, sustainable development, and strategic planning.

Mr. Desmond Harrison, Mayor of Manchester Parish, Jamaica, introduced Mr. Sam Miller, Head of the Manchester Parish Development Committee, Mr. Sean Rowe, Director of Planning for the Parish, and two long-range planners. He pointed out that the Manchester Parish and Greater Sudbury face similar challenges as mining communities.

Mr. Harrison expressed his thanks and appreciation for the hospitality and learning experience.

Gifts were exchanged by Mayor Harrison and Mayor Courtemanche.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Item 4
Recognition of
Achievement

Councillor Gasparini presented Ms. Janie Gallo, Senior Teacher, Junior Citizens Day Care, with an award of distinction in recognition of being the recipient of the Cambrian College Alumni Award and for her thirty-two (32) year career working with children at the Junior Citizens Day Care.

Mayor Courtemanche presented an Employee Appreciation Certificate on behalf of the Mayor and Council's Children First Roundtable and colleagues.

Item 5
City Official Plan
First Draft

Report dated 2005-09-14 from the General Manager of Growth & Development regarding City Official Plan - Release of First Draft for Public Review was received.

Councillor Thompson, Chair of the Planning Committee. He advised that the Planning Department started this project in 2002 and have been working hard to bring forward the new Official Plan to Council. He introduced Mr. B. Lautenbach, Director of Planning Services who gave an electronic presentation.

Mr. Lautenbach indicated that this was the launch of the new Official Plan for the City of Greater Sudbury which has been in development for several years with the assistance of Planning Services Staff, other City Staff and Provincial representatives. In April of 2002, Planning Staff began the consolidation of 13 Official Plans into one.

He indicated that over the past years a number of background studies and a variety of other initiatives have been undertaken in support of the Official Plan. He further indicated that mapping was a large component. The City of Greater Sudbury is not an easy subject because of its expansive geography and dispersed population.

Mr. Lautenbach outlined the priorities, structure and basis of the new Official Plan. He indicated that it is the most up-to-date view on how the Official Plan can be integrated with the municipal decision making process. The Plan simplifies the Planning process and provides for a more flexible land use structure.

He thanked all parties involved in the development of the new draft Official Plan. There will be open house sessions and public consultations and he also stated that there would be workshops in January/February, 2006 for Councillors to review the document and provide feedback. He indicated that the draft Official Plan and background studies are on the website and also CDs are available to the public. Paper copies and CDs will also be available at the Citizen Service Centres and libraries. It is expected the Official Plan will be submitted to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing by April, 2006.

Councillor Bradley requested that a copy of the Official Plan be sent to all secondary schools within the City of Greater Sudbury, with a letter asking for their input.

Councillor Thompson advised Council that all high schools have Civic classes and the Official Plan would tie in with the curriculum.

Item 6
Greater Sudbury
Firefighters' Choir

The General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services, Mr. Alan Stephen introduced Mr. John Bujold, Member of the Greater Sudbury Firefighters' Choir who advised Council that the commitment of the choir far exceeds the role of a firefighter.

He introduced Mr. Leo Frappier, Chairperson of the Choir who gave a brief outline on how the Choir began and what they have achieved over the years. He advised that \$80,000 has been raised for local charities through various events and fund raisers. He advised that they have produced a CD which is available for sale with the proceeds going to charity.

A performance by the Greater Sudbury Firefighters' Choir ensemble, led by Mr. Jeff Wiseman, Vocal Director, was heard by the Members of Council.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" SESSION

Rise and Report

Deputy Mayor Bradley, as Chair of the Committee of the Whole, reported Council met to deal with Labour Relation and Personnel Matters falling within Article 15.5 of the City of Greater Sudbury Procedural By-law 2002-202 and the Municipal Act, 2001, s.239(2) and no resolutions emanated therefrom.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

Rise and Report

Councillor Caldarelli, Chair of the Priorities Committee, reported that the Priorities Committee met on 2005-09-28 and there were no items to be brought forward at this time.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Rise and Report

Councillor Thompson, Chair of the Planning Committee, reported that the Planning Committee met on 2005-09-06 and there were no items to be brought forward at this time.

PART I
CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda

The following resolution was presented to adopt the items contained in Part I, Consent Agenda:

2005-306 Dupuis-Bradley: THAT Items C-1 to C-7 inclusive, contained in Part I, Consent Agenda, be adopted, with the exception of Item C-7 (Noise By-law Exemption - Walmart), as otherwise dealt with.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Item C-1
Report No. 38
City Council
2005-09-15

2005-307 Bradley-Dupuis: THAT Report No. 38, City Council Minutes of 2005-09-15 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-2
Report No. 34
Planning Committee
2005-09-20

2005-308 Dupuis-Bradley: THAT Report No. 34, Planning Committee Minutes of 2005-09-20 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-3
Report No. 33
Priorities Committee
2005-09-28

2005-309 Bradley-Dupuis: THAT Report No. 33, Priorities Committee Minutes of 2005-09-28 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-4
Report No. 6
Property Standards
2005-09-20

2005-310 Dupuis-Bradley: THAT Report No. 6, Property Standards Appeal Committee Minutes of 2005-09-20 be received.

CARRIED

Item C-5
T.O.C.
2005-09-20

2005-311 Dupuis-Bradley: THAT the report of the Tender Opening Committee Minutes of 2005-09-20 be received.

CARRIED

ROUTINE MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Item C-6
Noise By-law
Exemption - CN

Report dated 2005-09-23, with attachments, from the Executive Director of Administrative Services regarding Noise By-law Exemption - Canadian National Railway - 6.1 Sudbury Spur at Frood Road and Beatty Street was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2005-312 Bradley-Dupuis: THAT this Council has no objection to the granting of an exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law) to the Canadian National Railway to carry out structural steel repairs on bridge mile 6.1 Sudbury Spur which traverses Frood Road and Beatty Street;

AND THAT exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law) be granted to the Bridges & Structures Gangs (A & B cycles) for the following dates and times:

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Noise By-law
Exemption - CN
(continued)

November 1-8, 2005 - 07:30 to 17:30 - B cycle
Nov 8 to Dec 15, 2005 - 07:30 to 17:30 - A cycle
November 15-22, 2005 - 07:30 to 17:30 - B cycle
November 22-29, 2005 - 07:00 to 17:30 - A cycle
Nov 29 to Dec 6, 2005 - 07:00 to 17:30 - B cycle
December 6-13, 2005 - 07:00 to 17:30 - A cycle
December 13-20, 2005 - 07:00 to 17:30 - B cycle
December 20-29, 2005 - 07:00 to 17:30 - A cycle

AND THAT on December 20, 2005 to December 29, 2005 from 07:00 to 17:30 the gang will shut down at the end of their shift December 23, 2005 and return December 29, 2005 and demobilize the site.

CARRIED

TELEPHONE POLLS

Item C-7
Noise By-law
Exemption - Walmart

Item C-7 was pulled from the Consent Agenda and dealt with separately.

Report dated 2005-09-23, with attachments, from the Executive Director of Administrative Services regarding Telephone Poll - Noise By-law Exemption - T.A. Clarke and Associates - Walmart was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2005-313 Dupuis-Bradley: THAT this Council has no objection to the granting of an exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law) to T.A. Clarke & Associates Inc. and its contractors in order to perform remedial asphalt work at the new Walmart, New Sudbury Centre;

AND THAT exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law) be granted for the following dates and times:

**September 26-28, 2005 between the hours
11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.**

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

2005-234A	3	A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2005
2005-235T	3	<p>A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO APPOINT MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO ENFORCE THE PRIVATE PROPERTY AND DISABLED PARKING SECTIONS OF BY-LAW 2001-1 AND FIRE ROUTE BY-LAW 2003-30T.</p> <p>(This updates the list of Parking Control Officers.)</p>
2005-236Z	3	<p>A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 95-500Z, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE FORMER CITY OF SUDBURY.</p> <p>(This by-law rezones the subject property to "C2-68", Special General Commercial to permit the former St. Anthony Elementary School to be redeveloped to accommodate the following possible uses within the existing building: institutional uses, offices, personal service shops, a public agency and warehousing and indoor storage of paper and allied products and materials. Special provisions restrict warehousing to a maximum gross floor area of 2,415m² within the existing building, and establish that only one 15 m² ground sign shall be permitted. Sudbury Catholic District School Board / Agents: Douglas Burke & Irma Bazzul, Mary Street / Morrison Avenue, Sudbury.)</p>
2005-237Z	3	<p>A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 83-302, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE FORMER TOWN OF RAYSIDE-BALFOUR</p> <p>(This by-law rezones the subject property to Single Residential to permit the subdivision of the property into 35 lots for single residential use. R & D Belanger, Trottier Avenue, Chelmsford. Planning Committee Resolution 2205-173)</p>
2005-238	3	<p>A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO ESTABLISH A FIRE SERVICE FOR THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY</p> <p>Report dated 2005-09-09, with attachments, from the General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services regarding Establishing and Regulating By-law - Fire Services was received.</p> <p>(The Municipal Act, and the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, permits Council of the City of Greater Sudbury to enact a by-law to establish and regulate fire services.)</p>

BY-LAWS (continued)

2005-239 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO LEASE CERTAIN LANDS ON PLAN M-95 TO 3336263 CANADA LTD.

Planning Committee Recommendation 2005-178

2005-240 *See Page 8 for Third Reading*

THE FOLLOWING BY-LAWS APPEAR FOR TWO READINGS ONLY:

2005-241 2 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO PROVIDE FOR THE BRUNET MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE WORKS.

Planning Committee Recommendation 2005-171

2005-242 2 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO PROVIDE FOR THE HORIZON MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE WORKS.

Planning Committee Recommendation 2005-172

1ST & 2ND Reading 2005-314 Bradley-Dupuis: THAT By-law 2005-234A to and including By-law 2005-242 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

3RD Reading 2005-315 Dupuis-Bradley: THAT By-law 2005-234A to and including By-law 2005-239 be read a third time and passed.

CARRIED

BY-LAW 2005-240

2005-240 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO ESTABLISH USER FEES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY FIRE SERVICES

Planning Committee Recommendation 2005-149

3RD Reading By-law 2005-240 was pulled and voted on separately:

2005-316 Bradley-Berthiaume: THAT By-law 2005-240 be read a third time and passed.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Item C-8 Report dated 2005-09-16 from the General Manager of
Emergency Repair Infrastructure & Emergency Services regarding Emergency Repair -
Chelmsford Arena Chelmsford Arena was received for information only.

PART II

REGULAR AGENDA

MOTIONS

Item R-1
Public Health and
Social Services

The following resolution, as revised from the motion listed on the agenda, was presented:

Callaghan-Bradley: WHEREAS this year's AMO Conference Agenda dedicated much debate and policy planning into the area of current poor public policy which is compromising the future prosperity of Ontario and its communities;

AND WHEREAS during Premier McGuinty's presentation to AMO delegates, he admitted to the fact that "downloading policies his government inherited are poor public policy";

AND WHEREAS much of the larger financial burden associated with inherited "poor public policy" are in the areas of municipally funded Public Health and Social Services programing, which represents \$3 billion of annual expenditure for provincial municipalities, which amounts to approximately one third of municipal operating expenditures;

AND WHEREAS this \$3 billion of municipal budget expenditure represents, in essence, subsidization to the provincial treasury for which municipally elected representatives have no real accountability;

AND WHEREAS even the federal government noted in its 2004 federal budget document "Spending for social services, health and housing represents a very small share of municipal expenditures in most provinces, except in Ontario, where it represents almost a third of the total gross municipal spending";

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is the only jurisdiction in Canada that funds public health and social services costs through municipal property taxes;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury's portion of this \$3 billion annual expenditure represents in 2005 alone, for public health approximately \$6 million and for social services approximately \$47 million;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury receives approximately \$24 million in social program grants under the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) which is a replacement for the Community Reinvestment Fund (CRF);

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Public Health and
Social Services
(continued)

AND WHEREAS this approximate \$29 million in net expenditures impedes the municipality's ability to fund core services such as waste management, police, public transit, fire fighting, and water treatment;

AND WHEREAS financial issues associated with Public Health and Social Services funding deficits negatively affect Northern Ontario communities more so than Southern Ontario communities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 2005 - 2006 provincial budget determines a course of action for municipal fiscal sustainability by removing Ontario's \$3 billion public health and social services programming expense.

Change of Chair

At 9:25 p.m., His Worship Mayor David Courtemanche vacated the chair.

DEPUTY MAYOR BRADLEY, IN THE CHAIR

Item R-1
Public Health and
Social Services
(continued)

With the concurrence of the mover, Councillor Kett requested that the foregoing motion be amended by changing the last paragraph as follows:

Friendly Amendment

- a) adding "City of Greater Sudbury recommends the" after 'THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the';
- b) adding the word 'positive' before 'course of action'.

Main Motion
(as amended)

The following resolution, as amended, was presented:

2005-317 Callaghan-Bradley: WHEREAS this year's AMO Conference Agenda dedicated much debate and policy planning into the area of current poor public policy which is compromising the future prosperity of Ontario and its communities;

AND WHEREAS during Premier McGuinty's presentation to AMO delegates, he admitted to the fact that "downloading policies his government inherited are poor public policy";

AND WHEREAS much of the larger financial burden associated with inherited "poor public policy" are in the areas of municipally funded Public Health and Social Services programming, which represents \$3 billion of annual expenditure for provincial municipalities, which amounts to approximately one third of municipal operating expenditures;

AND WHEREAS this \$3 billion of municipal budget expenditure represents, in essence, subsidization to the provincial treasury for which municipally elected representatives have no real accountability;

AND WHEREAS even the federal government noted in its 2004 federal budget document "Spending for social services, health and housing represents a very small share of municipal expenditures in most provinces, except in Ontario, where it represents almost a third of the total gross municipal spending";

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is the only jurisdiction in Canada that funds public health and social services costs through municipal property taxes;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury's portion of this \$3 billion annual expenditure represents in 2005 alone, for public health approximately \$6 million and for social services approximately \$47 million;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury receives approximately \$24 million in social program grants under the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) which is a replacement for the Community Reinvestment Fund (CRF);

AND WHEREAS this approximate \$29 million in net expenditures impedes the municipality's ability to fund core services such as waste management, police, public transit, fire fighting, and water treatment;

AND WHEREAS financial issues associated with Public Health and Social Services funding deficits negatively affect Northern Ontario communities more so than Southern Ontario communities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Greater Sudbury recommends the 2005-2006 provincial budget determine a positive course of action for municipal fiscal sustainability by removing Ontario's \$3 billion public health and social services programming expense.

RECORDED VOTE:

YEAS

Berthiaume
Bradley
Caldarelli
Callaghan
Dupuis
Kett
Reynolds
Rivest
Thompson
Mayor Courtemanche

NAYS

Gasparini

CARRIED

Change of Chair

At 9:45 p.m., Deputy Mayor Bradley vacated the Chair.

HIS WORSHIP MAYOR DAVID COURTEMANCHE, IN THE CHAIR

Item R-2
Seniors' Bus Passes

The following resolution was presented:

2005-318 Callaghan-Dupuis: WHEREAS the price of gasoline has increased dramatically as a result of ongoing global conflicts, and particularly since hurricane Katrina;

AND WHEREAS the prospect of any reduction of future gasoline prices is unlikely in light of the current global economic climate;

AND WHEREAS Sudbury seniors/early retirees may want to consider options for counteracting and minimizing future expenses related to gasoline pricing;

AND WHEREAS Sudbury Transit (public transportation) could offer a viable option for minimizing personal expenses for this demographic group;

AND WHEREAS such a policy change could promote our City's Healthy Community Strategy;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Sudbury Transit staff be asked to review current policy related to seniors' bus passes with the idea of lowering the current age limit from 65 to 55;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that this review not be centered solely from the perspective of revenue, but instead be reviewed with the idea that this policy change could be revenue neutral as a result of increased public transit usage.

CARRIED

Item R-3
Committee Structure

The following resolution was presented:

Reynolds-Callaghan: WHEREAS there is a widely-perceived need to streamline the City's Committee Structure;

AND WHEREAS the governance discussion paper prepared by Mr. Mowry mentions several times the need to look at our Committee Structure;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Ontario is currently working on democratic renewal for Ontario municipalities, particularly communities that have undergone amalgamation;

AND WHEREAS the issue of committee structure has not been examined since amalgamation;

Item R-3
Committee Structure
(continued)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury extend an invitation to Dr. Patrice Dutil, the Director of Research of the Institute of Public Administration to address our council to discuss the merits of performing an assessment of our Committee Structure as a joint pilot project of the Institute of Public Administration and the Province of Ontario, at no cost to the taxpayers of the City.

Proceed Past
10:00 p.m.

2005-319 Callaghan-Reynolds THAT we proceed past the hour of 10:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Item R-3
Committee Structure
(continued)

Councillor Reynolds requested that the fourth paragraph be deleted as the Committee structure was examined by since amalgamation.

Main Motion
(as amended)

The following resolution, as amended, was presented:

Reynolds-Callaghan: WHEREAS there is a widely-perceived need to streamline the City's Committee Structure;

AND WHEREAS the governance discussion paper prepared by Mr. Mowry mentions several times the need to look at our Committee Structure;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Ontario is currently working on democratic renewal for Ontario municipalities, particularly communities that have undergone amalgamation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury extend an invitation to Dr. Patrice Dutil, the Director of Research of the Institute of Public Administration to address our council to discuss the merits of performing an assessment of our Committee Structure as a joint pilot project of the Institute of Public Administration and the Province of Ontario, at no cost to the taxpayers of the City.

Motion for Referral

With the concurrence of the mover, the foregoing motion was referred to the 2005-10-12 Priorities Committee meeting after Mr. Mowry's report is dealt with.

ADDENDUM

Addendum Resolution

The following resolution was presented:

2005-320 Bradley-Dupuis: THAT the Addendum to the Agenda be dealt with at this time.

CARRIED

Declarations of
Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

BY-LAWS

2005-243 3

A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO DEEM CERTAIN LANDS ON BROCK AND PEARL STREETS NOT TO BE A PLAN OF SUBDIVISION FOR THE PURPOSES OF SUBSECTION 3 OF SECTION 50 OF THE PLANNING ACT

(Council earlier has authorized the sale of certain lands on Brock Street and has declared surplus certain lands on Pearl Street. Before they are sold, in accordance with the Official Plan, they should be consolidated as blocks of land. This By-law provides that the lands will no longer be individual lots on a plan of subdivision.)

1ST & 2ND Reading

2005-321 Bradley-Dupuis: THAT By-law 2005-243 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

3RD Reading

2005-322 Bradley-Dupuis: THAT By-law 2005-243 be read a third time and passed.

CARRIED

CIVIC PETITIONS

Aesthetics - House
Trailer on Randolph
Road, Whitefish

Councillor Kett submitted a petition to the City Clerk signed by forty (40) residents of Randolph Road, Whitefish which will be forwarded to the General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services and the General Manager of Growth & Development. The petition indicated that the arrival of a house trailer in the subdivision, under Plan M-640, will bring down the value of the homes and properties in the area.

QUESTION PERIOD

Labour Dispute - CBC
Radio

Councillor Berthiaume advised that he had been contacted by employees involved in the labour dispute at CBC Radio-Canada for permission to put a fire drum as well as a trailer on the site. He indicated that By-law Enforcement has supplied regulations but are not clear.

The Chief Administrative Officer stated that if this is private property, the City has no jurisdiction and should be considered between the Union and owner of the property. The City would have to determine if the location of the trailer would be on private or public property to form a decision.

Family Health Centres

Councillor Berthiaume asked the General Manager of Community Development the status regarding the City of Lakes Family Health Centres.

The General Manager of Community Development advised Council that some progress has been made with the Northern Ontario School of Medicine and the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care regarding locations. She indicated that some discussions have been held to determine which sites will go first. She met with Dr. McKibbin to see what else the City can do to facilitate the process.

Firefighters' Choir CD

Councillor Caldarelli requested that the Firefighters' CDs be made available to the public by having them sold at the Citizen Service Centres.

Handicap Parking in
Tom Davis Square

Councillor Gasparini expressed concern regarding there being no free handicap parking at Tom Davies Square. Only free handicapped parking spots are available across the street on the Minto lot. She requested that staff review the possibility of making handicap spaces available at no charge for a couple of hours at Tom Davies Square.

Secure Load Signage
at Landfill Sites

Councillor Rivest has received calls regarding the condition of the road going to the landfill site in Valley East, particularly the Gravelle Drive corridor. Residents' are not securing their loads of garbage and the public should stop and pick up what has fallen from their pick-ups, trailers, etc. He asked the General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services if signage could be posted at the landfill sites regarding loads be properly secured.

The General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services advised he would discuss the matter with the Director of Solid Waste and report back to Council.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Council Auditor for
Other City Services

As presented by Councillor Berthiaume:

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury retained the services of an independent auditor to review the City's winter maintenance services, and which audit has been completed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury once again retain the services of an independent auditor to review other City of Greater Sudbury services, which services are to be determined by an Ad Hoc Committee of Council and for such a period time as advised by the Ad Hoc Committee;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council appoint the following Members of Council to an Ad Hoc Committee which will report back to Council by November 30, 2005 with the recommended terms and conditions of such appointment:

AND FURTHER THAT this Committee set out a time line to have the Council Auditor appointed and "in place" by January 20, 2006.

Gasoline Prices

As presented by Mayor Courtemanche:

WHEREAS the price of crude oil has grown steadily over the last few months - jumping \$10 US a barrel between June and September;

AND WHEREAS residents of Northern and rural communities are particularly impacted by these increases as the majority of our commodities are trucked considerable distances;

AND WHEREAS those who choose to live and do business in the North are faced with the prospect of substantially higher winter energy costs;

AND WHEREAS municipalities across Canada are facing substantial increases to their operating budgets and capital infrastructure costs as a direct result of increased energy costs;

AND WHEREAS a recent survey conducted by the Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses reported that 88% of businesses said energy prices are now a major cause of concerns for small and medium-sized Canadian companies;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, an independent non-partisan research institute concerned with issues of social and economic justice, has determined that the jump in the price of a barrel of oil is being over exaggerated at the pumps and that the increase in the price of oil over the past summer should have resulted in a gas price of about 95 cents per litre, and not the more commonly seen prices of well over \$1 a litre;

Gasoline Prices
(continued)

AND WHEREAS The Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of the Province of Ontario, and others including the Canadian Automobile Association have called on the Competition Bureau to take a look at the issue of price gouging;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian Institute Petroleum Marketers Association has suggested that Ottawa investigate the wholesale pricing practices of big oil companies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury calls on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to lodge a complaint with Canada's Competition Bureau to investigate allegations that major oil companies are colluding to artificially fix or raise gasoline prices.

Adjournment

2005-323 Bradley-Dupuis: THAT this meeting does now adjourn.
Time: 10:30 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

City Clerk