THE TWELFTH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY

C-11
Tom Davies Square

DEPUTY MAYOR CRAIG, IN THE CHAIR

Present
Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Caldarelli; Gainer; Reynolds; Thompson; Mayor Courtemanche

City Officials
D. Belisle, General Manager of Public Works; C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; D. Nadorozny, General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services; A. Stephen, General Manager of Emergency Services; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; C. Riutta, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor; T. Mowry, City Clerk; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
None declared.

“In Camera” 2004-263 Reynolds-Berthiaume: That we move "In Camera" to deal with Personnel and Property 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)(f).

CARRIED

Recess
At 6:00 p.m., Council recessed.

Reconvene
At 7:00 p.m., Council moved to the Council Chamber to continue the regular meeting.

Chair
HIS WORSHIP MAYOR DAVID COURTEMANCHE, IN THE CHAIR

Present
Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Caldarelli; Callaghan; Craig; Gainer; Reynolds; Thompson

City Officials
M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; D. Belisle, General Manager of Public Works; C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; D. Nadorozny, General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services; C. Matheson, General Manager of Health & Social Services; R. Swiddle, Director of Legal Services/City Solicitor; S. Jonasson, Acting General Manager of Corporate Services; I. Davidson, Chief of Police, Greater Sudbury Police Service; D. Donaldson, Fire Chief; H. Duff, Director of Social Services/Ontario Works; A. Potvin, Manager of Development Services; T. Mowry, City Clerk; K. Bowschar-Lische, Planning Committee Secretary; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

C.C. 2004-05-27 (12TH) (1)
Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
None declared.

Revised Agenda
It was noted by the Chair that a revised Council Agenda was tabled at the meeting.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE “IN CAMERA” SESSION

Rise and Report
Deputy Mayor Craig, as Chair of the Committee of the Whole, reported Council met to deal with Personnel and Property 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)(f) and one resolution emanated therefrom.

Emergency Medical Services Base Staffing Increase
The following resolution was presented:

2004-264 Reynolds-Berthiaume: THAT Council approve an increase of 10 permanent paramedics while reducing the temporary/part time hours by 16,500 and overtime hours by 1,830; providing a stable workforce that meets the regulated standard of service hours while maintaining response times as outlined in our service agreement with the Province.

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

Rise and Report
Councillor Caldarelli, Vice-Chair of the Priorities Committee, reported that Priorities Committee met on 2004-05-26 and there were no items requiring Council approval.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Rise and Report
Councillor Thompson, Chair of the Planning Committee, reported that the Planning Committee met on 2004-05-18 and there were no items requiring Council approval.

PART I
CONSENT AGENDA

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

2004-265 Reynolds-Bradley: THAT Items C-1 to C-7 inclusive, contained in Part I, Consent Agenda, be adopted, with the exception of Planning Committee resolution 2004-108 (OCL Custom Crushing), as otherwise dealt with.

CARRIED

C.C. 2004-05-27 (12TH) (2)
MINUTES

Item C-1  Report No. 11  City Council  2004-05-13

CARRIED

Item C-2  Report No. 10  Planning Committee  2004-05-18

CARRIED

Councillor Callaghan requested that Planning Committee Recommendation 2004-108 (OCL Custom Crushing) be pulled to vote on separately.

Application for Rezoning - Planning Recommendation #2004-42:
Dupuis-Bradley: That the application by OCL Custom Crushing & Quarrying Ltd. to amend By-law 83-300 being the Zoning By-law for the former Town of Valley East by changing the zoning classification of Parcel 51141 SES, being Part 1, Plan 53R-15615, Part of Parcel 5202 SES and Part of Parcel 2678 SES, in Lots 9 and 10, Concession 4, Capreol Township from “RU”, Rural to “M5-Special”, Extractive Industrial Special be approved subject to the following:

a) That the amending by-law require a minimum 150m setback from the nearest residential dwelling for any pit excavation.

b) That the applicant provide the Development Services Section with a registered survey plan of the subject property to enable the preparation of an amending by-law.

c) That prior to the passing of an amending by-law the applicant agree to undertake the necessary entrance improvements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Public Works.

d) That prior to the passing of an amending by-law, all requirements of the General Manager of Public Works with respect to the protection of the neighbouring municipal wells shall be satisfied.

Motion for Deferral
Councillor Bradley moved that the foregoing motion be deferred to the next Council meeting of 2004-06-10 when all members will be present.

CARRIED
Item C-3  
Report No. 9  
Priorities Committee  
2004-05-26  
CARRIED  
Councillor Bradley’s request to defer Priorities Committee Recommendation 2004-39 (Sudbury Northeast Ratepayers Association) to the next scheduled meeting for further debate, was defeated by a show of hands.

Item C-4  
TOC  
2004-05-11  
CARRIED

Item C-5  
TOC  
2004-05-18  
CARRIED

Item C-6  
Report No. 3  
Sudbury Metro Centre  
2004-04-27  
CARRIED

ROUTINE MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Item C-7  
Canada Day Celebrations  
2004-05-19  
Report dated 2004-05-19 from the General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services regarding Canada Day Celebrations was received.  
The following resolution was presented:

2004-272 Reynolds-Bradley: THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury contribute $10,000 towards fireworks for the Canada Day Celebrations to be held on July 1, 2004;  
AND FURTHER THAT this special funding come from the Contingency Account.  
CARRIED

The following resolution was required to be passed prior to the adoption of By-law 2004-151 and By-law 2004-152:

Community Placement Target Fund Slippage (formerly R-3)  
The following resolution was presented:

2004-273 Reynolds-Bradley: WHEREAS Council for the City of Greater Sudbury placed into reserve specific allocations from the Community Placement Target Fund to provide direct and indirect services to Ontario Works participants;
AND WHEREAS the Social Services Division has identified several services that have not utilized their specific allocations;

AND WHEREAS additional resources are required for the Catholic Charities Soup Kitchen; the City’s Extreme Cold Weather Alert initiative; First Steps; and the Mission;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT $589,835, as outlined in this report, be returned to the uncommitted Community Placement Target Fund and $222,048 be allocated from the uncommitted Community Placement Target Fund reserve for June 1st, 2004 to December 31st, 2005 for the programs noted above;

AND THAT the appropriate by-law be passed to expend these funds.

CARRIED

The following resolution was required to be passed prior to the adoption of By-law 2004-151:

The following resolution was presented:

2004-274 Bradley-Reynolds: WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury provides funding to support the operation of emergency shelter beds;

AND WHEREAS there are sufficient dollars available in the uncommitted Community Placement Target Fund Reserve;

AND WHEREAS an action plan and community model is being developed to address a viable long term solution for emergency shelter bed provision;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve Option #3 in the amount of $330,670 from the uncommitted Community Placement Target Fund reserve from April 1st, 2004 to June 30th, 2005;

AND THAT the appropriate by-law be passed to expend these funds.

CARRIED
BY-LAWS

THE FOLLOWING BY-LAWS APPEAR FOR A THIRD AND FINAL READING:


Planning Resolution 2004-84 - Notice of this By-law was given and no comments were received.

2004-111 3rd BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO DECLARE SURPLUS, STOP-UP, CLOSE A PORTION OF AN UNNAMED LAKE SHORE ALLOWANCE ABUTTING PARCEL 51174 SUDBURY EAST SECTION

Planning Resolution 2004-85 - Notice of this By-law was given and no comments were received.

THE FOLLOWING BY-LAWS APPEAR FOR THREE READINGS:

2004-141A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING OF MAY 27, 2004

2004-142F 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE GRANTS FOR THE YEAR 2003 FOR VARIOUS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OR NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTICIPATION PROJECTS

Council Resolution 2004-253

2004-143A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUDBURY CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE RECYCLING COLLECTION PILOT PROJECT

Council Resolution 2004-245
2004-144A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE A MULTICULTURALISM CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT WITH HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF CANADA AS REPRESENTED BY THE MINISTER OF CANADIAN HERITAGE

Council Resolution 2004-254

2004-145A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE A GRANT TO CINÉFEST SUDBURY

Report dated 2004-05-20 from the General Manager of Economic Development and Planning regarding Cinéfest Sudbury Film Industry Centre Year II.

(Cinéfest Sudbury’s Industry Forum is now entering its second year of operation and with the festival expanding from 7 to 9 days - is looking to build on the successes of 2003.)

2004-146F 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE A TAX EXTENSION AGREEMENT WITH PRO BAIT & TACKLE INC. FOR ROLL #070.008.125.00.0000

Report dated 2004-05-21 from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding Tax Extension Agreement - Pro Bait & Tackle Inc.

(This report sets out the particulars of a proposed Tax Extension Agreement between the CGS and the above-named regarding taxes owing for 469 Kingsway, Sudbury.)

2004-147F 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE A TAX EXTENSION AGREEMENT WITH MARTIN CHARLES SAINIO FOR ROLL #070.022.015.00.0000


(This report sets out the particulars of a proposed Tax Extension Agreement between the CGS and the above-named regarding taxes owing for 505 Melvin Avenue, Sudbury.)
2004-148A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDbury TO APPOINT BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE SUDbury AIRPORT

(This By-law updates the list of By-law Enforcement Officers at the Sudbury Airport.)

2004-149 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDbury TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF 190 CHURCH STREET, GARSON TO 1264156 ONTARIO INC.

Planning Committee Recommendation 2004-94

2004-150F 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDbury TO ESTABLISH MISCELLANEOUS USER FEES FOR CERTAIN SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF GREATER SUDbury

(The existing Fees By-law is being repealed and replaced. The new Fees By-law consolidates the amendments which have been made to the Fees By-law since its passage in December of 2003, incorporates the changes to fees which were authorized during the budget process and makes some small housekeeping changes.)

RESOLUTIONS WERE PASSED BEFORE THE 1ST AND 2ND READING OF BY-LAWS 2004-151 AND 2004-152:

2004-151 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDbury TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING FROM COMMUNITY PLACEMENT TARGET FUNDING TO VARIOUS SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES TO ASSIST IN DELIVERING COMMUNITY PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO REDUCE AND PREVENT HOMELESSNESS

Report dated 2004-05-17 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Community Placement Target Fund Slippage.

(Formerly Item R-3)

(Community Placement Target Funds allocated for internal and external projects are reviewed, slippage identified, recommended to Priorities Committee to be redirected to emerging projects as required. This insures that valuable community based programming continues.)
(Formerly Item R-4)

(This report outlines the current crisis in the emergency shelter bed system; the networking and cooperative spirit evolving from some interim strategies and the road ahead for strategic planning and implementation of a local solution that could be shared with other communities who are also struggling with similar problems.)

2004-152 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDbury TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING FROM COMMUNITY PLACEMENT TARGET FUNDING TO VARIOUS SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES TO ASSIST IN DELIVERING COMMUNITY PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE DIRECT AND INDIRECT SERVICES TO ONTARIO WORK PARTICIPANTS

Report dated 2004-05-17 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Community Placement Target Fund Slippage  
(Formerly Item R-3)

(Community Placement Target Funds allocated for internal and external projects are reviewed, slippage identified, recommended to Priorities Committee to be redirected to emerging projects as required. This insures that valuable community based programming continues.)

THE FOLLOWING BY-LAWS APPEAR FOR THREE READINGS:

2004-153A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDbury TO AUTHORIZE A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH HUMAN RESOURCES SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CANADA (HRSDC) FOR THE NATIONAL HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE

(Formerly Item R-2)

(Authorization for allocation of funds from the National Homelessness Initiative as recommended in the Updated Community Plan and endorsed by the Task Force on Emergency Shelters.)

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2004-154  3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDbury TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING FROM NATIONAL HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE (NHI) PROGRAM FUNDING TO VARIOUS SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES TO ASSIST IN DELIVERING COMMUNITY PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO REDUCE AND PREVENT HOMELESSNESS

(Formerly Item R-2)

(Authorization for allocation of funds from the National Homelessness Initiative as recommended in the Updated Community Plan and endorsed by the Task Force on Emergency Shelters.)


Planning Committee Recommendation # 2004-24

(This by-law rezones the subject property to "R1.D18", Single Residential to permit the creation of five (5) single residential lots. Further, this by-law establishes an "R1.D18-6", Special Single Residential zone which specifies the location for a main building on the remaining lands -Firnil Enterprises Ltd., Notre Dame Street, Azilda)

1ST & 2ND Reading 2004-275 Reynolds-Berthiaume: THAT By-law 2004-141A to and including By-law 2004-155Z be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

3RD Reading 2004-276 Re: THAT By-law 2004-110, By-law 2004-111, and By-law 2004-141A to and including By-law 2004-155Z be read a third time and passed.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Item C-8 Healthy People for a Healthy Tomorrow

Report dated 2004-05-14, with attachments, from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Healthy People for a Healthy Tomorrow! Developing a Framework for Community Action on the Prevention of Obesity was received for information only.
Item C-9
NOGCC: Practical Management
Report dated 2004-05-18, with attachments, from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Northeastern Ontario Geriatric Care Conference: Practical Management was received for information only.

Item C-10
2004 Ontario Budget
The Plan for Change
Report dated 2004-05-21, with attachments, from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding 2004 Ontario Budget - The Plan for Change was received for information only.

Community Reinvestment Fund
Councillor Callaghan stated that the Community Reinvestment Fund (CRF) was not indexed and asked the Director of Finance if the CRF increase of $30,000 would affect the Budget in any way. Ms. Jonasson advised Council that staff is concerned about the increase, but have little information regarding the issue.

Staff Update
With the concurrence of Council, Councillor Callaghan requested that staff keep Council up to date on the Community Reinvestment Fund.

PART II
REGULAR AGENDA

REFERRED AND DEFERRED MATTERS

Item R-1
OMERS Outsourcing
The following resolution was presented:

Kett-Bradley:  WHEREAS all Ontario municipal employees are contributors to the OMERS Pension Fund, and rely on this fund to finance their retirement;

AND WHEREAS Ontario municipalities have a duty and responsibility to speak out when they have concerns over Board oversight and investment practices by the Board and management of OMERS;

AND WHEREAS the Toronto Globe & Mail in a series of newspaper articles has raised serious questions and concerns regarding the investment and management practices of OMERS;

AND WHEREAS the OMERS (Ontario Municipal Employee Retirement System) outsourcing deal with Borealis Capital Corporation, involving nearly one third of its assets, has become an expensive and unnecessary escapade and has cost the plan almost $100,000,000 in the past 12 months alone, in management fees and buyouts;

AND WHEREAS this deal ended up enriching a few investors and managers at the expense of 340,000 active and retired workers who are members of (OMERS);
AND WHEREAS the Toronto Globe and Mail in a newspaper article dated Monday, May 3, 2004 stated: “That the entire management of $9-billion in assets was transferred to a third-party without board approval raises questions about the oversight of the pension fund, some sources say’;

AND WHEREAS it is questionable that a large pension plan such as OMERS would benefit by paying to have its own assets managed by someone else;

AND WHEREAS there are also concerns that three new companies created by OMERS -- Borealis Infrastructure Corp., Oxford Properties Group, and OMERS' private equity group -- will run into the same problems that plagued the pension fund when it set up OMERS Realty Corp. in 1990 as a separate business;

AND WHEREAS Section 2 of the Public Inquires Act provides that: “Whenever the Lieutenant Governor in Council considers it expedient to cause inquiry to be made concerning any matter connected with or affecting the good government of Ontario or the conduct of any part of the public business thereof or of the administration of justice therein or that the Lieutenant Governor in Council declares to be a matter of public concern and the inquiry is not regulated by any special law, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may, by commission, appoint one or more persons to conduct the inquiry.”

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury hereby petitions the Province of Ontario to establish a Commission under the Public Inquiries Act (R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.41) into the pension fund investment practices of OMERS, specifically the handling of the Borealis arrangement and that the mandate of the Commission include recommendations on ways to make the pension fund more accountable to its members and the taxpayer;

AND FURTHER THAT copies of this motion be forwarded to the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Minister responsible for the administration of the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System Act, the Honourable Rick Bartolucci, Minister of Northern Development and Mines, Ms. Shelly Martel, M.P.P. (Nickel Belt), Mr. Frederick Biro, Chair, Board of Directors of OMERS, Mr. Colin McNairn, Chair, Financial Services Commission of Ontario, the Municipal Retirees Organization Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT this motion be forwarded to the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for endorsement.
Motion for Deferral

Councillor Gainer moved that the foregoing motion be deferred to the next regular Council meeting of 2004-06-10 due to Councillor Kett's absence.

CARRIED

MANAGERS’ REPORTS

Item R-2
Development Charges
Study Update

Report dated 2004-05-21 from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding Development Charges Study Update was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-277 Reynolds-Bradley: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury hire Hemson Consulting Ltd. to provide a Development Charges Update Study, to be completed by July 31, 2004, at an upset fee not to exceed $8,000 plus taxes and expenses;

AND THAT the study be funded from the Reserve for Future Development Charges Study.

CARRIED

Item R-3
Multi-Year Budgeting
Chair & Vice-Chair

Report dated 2004-05-20 from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding Amendment to Procedure By-law - Appointment of Chair and Vice-chair for the Term of Council to Facilitate Multi-year Budgeting was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-278 Bradley-Reynolds: WHEREAS Council has decided it wishes to adopt the practice of multi-year budgeting;

AND WHEREAS in order to facilitate the practice of multi-year budgeting and provide continuity in the budget process it would be valuable for the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee to be appointed for the full term of Council;

AND WHEREAS Council’s Procedure By-law provides that any provision contained in the by-law may be repealed, amended or varied by a majority vote, provided that no motion for that purpose may be considered unless notice thereof has been given at a preceding regular Council meeting and such notice may not be waived;

AND WHEREAS Article 33.39 (Finance Committee - Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair) of Procedure By-law 2002-202 provides that the Chair of the Finance Committee shall be appointed annually by Council and shall hold office for that year or until their successors are appointed in accordance with this by-law.
Item R-3  Multi-Year Budgeting Chair & Vice-Chair (continued)

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article 33.39 (Finance Committee - Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair) of Procedure By-law 2002-202 be amended to provide for the appointment of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee for the full term of Council;

AND FURTHER THAT Notice of the proposed by-law to amend Procedure By-law 2002-202 be given in accordance with Notice By-law 2003-2.

CARRIED

Addendum  The following resolution was presented:

2004-279 Reynolds-Bradley: THAT the Addendum to the Agenda be dealt with at this time.

CARRIED

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest  None declared.

BY-LAWS

2004-156Z 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 83-300Z, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE FORMER TOWN OF ONAPING FALLS AND FORMER CITY OF VALLEY EAST

Planning Committee Recommendation 2004-60

(This by-law rezones the subject property to General Commercial Special to permit the use of the existing building on site for a make-your-own wine business. Special parking, landscaping and fencing provisions are included in the by-law. - Peter Churan, 3191 Highway 69 North, Val Caron)

2004-157 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE A GRANT TO SKEAD RECREATION COMMITTEE INC. OF PARCEL 5640 SUDBURY EAST SECTION, BEING PARTS 2 AND 3, PLAN 53R-17307, SKEAD ROAD

Planning Committee Resolution 2004-114


CARRIED

C.C. 2004-05-27 (12TH) (14)
**3rd Reading**


**CARRIED**

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**QUESTION PERIOD**

**Road Construction**

**Kingsway**

Councillor Callaghan noted that the businesses along the Kingsway are being affected by the construction and asked the General Manager of Public Works when the construction on the Kingsway was scheduled to commence. He also asked what the additional cost would be for the contractor to work on Sundays, in order to get the work completed.

Mr. Belisle advised Council that the work was nearing completion. He stated that the grinding and paving was scheduled to be completed at nights. In order for the contractor to work on Sundays, Mr. Belisle advised that he required Council’s approval and would email Council with the cost estimate.

With the concurrence of Council, Councillor Callaghan requested that a telephone poll be conducted in order to approve the extra cost associated with completion of the work on the Kingsway.

**Barrydowne Road Construction**

Councillor Callaghan asked the General Manager of Public Works when the construction on Barrydowne Road was scheduled to start.

Mr. Belisle advised Council that the construction on Barrydowne Road is scheduled to start in the latter part of August 2004.

**Potholes**

Councillor Bradley asked the General Manager of Public Works what method was being used when filling potholes. His concern was whether or not the loose gravel and asphalt was removed from the pothole before it was refilled.

Mr. Belisle advised Council that the contractor is required to remove any loose debris and refill it with proper material. He advised that his staff is required to inspect the contractors’ work, but that they cannot inspect every pothole.

**Draft Master Leisure Plan**

Councillor Bradley advised Council that he had received telephone calls from the public regarding the Draft Master Leisure Plan and the possible closure of arenas in Ward 2. He advised that this was only a draft report and that there will be public meetings scheduled in order to hear any concerns from the residents before any recommendations are adopted by Council.
Highway 144 Sidewalks

Councillor Bradley advised Council that he received a letter from the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) advising Council that they would be repairing the highway in the Dowling Flats area. He stated that sidewalks would not be constructed and that they were still required for safety reasons.

With the concurrence of Council, Councillor Bradley requested that the General Manager of Public Works schedule a meeting with MTO in order to establish whether or not the City and MTO could work together in constructing sidewalks on Highway 144.

Solutions Team

Councillor Berthiaume asked the Chief Administrative Officer if Council was to be advised of the meeting dates for the Solutions Team.

Mr. Mieto advised Council that his office will email the schedules to the Members of Council once the dates have been established.

South End Rock Tunnel

Councillor Berthiaume asked staff if the funding from the Federal government had been approved for the construction of the South End Rock Tunnel.

The Chair advised Council that there has been no funding received but that it has been confirmed that the Millennium Partnership Program application is still in good standing. He also stated that the Rural Funding Program is still being dealt with by the Province and the Federal government.

Councillor Berthiaume asked the General Manager of Public Works when the construction is scheduled to start.

Mr. Belisle advised Council that it was going to tender shortly.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Definition of “Northern Ontario”

Submitted by Mayor Courtemanche:

WHEREAS past Ontario Governments have funded initiatives such as the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund and the Northern Transportation Program in order to promote economic growth and community infrastructure to meet the unique needs of the residents of Northern Ontario;

AND WHEREAS in 2000, the Ontario Government decided to add the District Municipality of Muskoka in its definition of Northern Ontario and thereby made Muskoka eligible for grants through the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund and Northern Transportation Program;
AND WHEREAS a Report prepared for the Northern Ontario Local Training and Adjustment Boards, dated April, 2002, stated that the inclusion of the District Municipality of Muskoka was “problematic in that the socio-economic characteristics of the Muskoka District Municipality differ from that of the other Districts in Northern Ontario”;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Liberal Government in its 2004 Budget document, which included “A Plan to Promote Northern Prosperity” stated:

“Finally, a concentrated effort and a clear focus are needed to overcome the special challenges facing Northern Ontario. As a result, we propose to return the definition of Northern Ontario, for the purposes of government policy and program delivery, to what it was before September 2000. The ministries of Northern Development and Mines and of Municipal Affairs and Housing will work with other affected ministries to implement this change in the fall of 2004”;

AND WHEREAS the Northern Ontario Mayors’ Coalition, in its 2003 brief entitled: “A New Vision for Northern Ontario: Embracing the Future”, stated that the “people of Northern Ontario deserve to share the prosperity that Ontario has enjoyed for the last decade” and set out specific proposals to achieve that end;

AND WHEREAS, as a first step, it is necessary that the definition of what constitutes “Northern Ontario” be clearly established once and for all time;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury petitions the Government of Ontario to amend Section 1 of the Representation Act, 1996 by adding the following definition:

“Northern Ontario” means the Territorial Districts of Algoma, Cochrane, Kenora, Manitoulin, Nipissing, Parry Sound, Rainy River, Sudbury, Timiskaming and Thunder Bay.”

AND THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Rick Bartolucci, Minister of Northern Development and Mines, the Honourable John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable David Ramsay, Minister of Natural Resources, Ms. Shelly Martel, M.P.P. (Nickel Belt), and to the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), the Thunder Bay District Municipal League and all Municipal Associations in Northern Ontario for endorsement.
Public Input Meeting
Store Closing Hours

Submitted by Councillor Bradley:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in accordance with Article 37 of Procedure By-law 2002-202, a Public Input Meeting be held on Thursday, June 17th, 2004 for the purpose of receiving public comment on the issue of store closing hours in the City of Greater Sudbury;

AND FURTHER THAT the Clerk be directed to provide Public Notice of this meeting in accordance with Council Policy.

Adjournment

2004-282 Bradley-Reynolds: THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 8:02 p.m.

CARRIED