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**THE SIXTH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**C-11
Tom Davies Square**

**Thursday, February 26, 2004
Commencement: 4:50 p.m.**

DEPUTY MAYOR DUPUIS, IN THE CHAIR

Present Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Caldarelli; Callaghan; Craig; Gainer; Gasparini; Kett; Reynolds; Rivest; Mayor Courtemanche

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; D. Wuksinic, General Manager, Corporate Services; T. Beadman, Acting General Manager, Emergency Services; P. Thomson, Director of Human Resources; R. Swiddle, Director of Legal Services/City Solicitor; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; C. Riutta, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor; P. Aitken, Government Relations/Policy Analyst; D. Freeland, Administrative Assistant to the Director of Human Resources; T. Mowry, City Clerk; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest None.

"In Camera" 2004-81 Bradley-Caldarelli: That we move "In Camera" to deal with Labour 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 6:28 p.m., Council recessed.

Reconvene At 7:02 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; Dupuis; Gainer; Gasparini; Kett; Reynolds; Rivest; 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

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City Officials
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of Health & Social Services; D. Wuksinic, General Manager, Corporate Services; J. Nichols, Acting General Manager, Emergency Services; I. Davidson, Chief of Police, Greater Sudbury Police Service; R. Swiddle, Director of Legal Services/City Solicitor; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; C. Mahaffy, Manager of Financial Planning and Policy; J.P. Graham, Plants Engineer; D. Desmeules, Manager of Housing; N. Charette, Manager of Corporate Communications and French-language Services; C. Riutta, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor; T. Mowry, City Clerk; K. Bowschar-Lische, Planning Committee Secretary; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

C.U.P.E. Local 4705

W. MacKinnon, President; F. Posadowski, Recording Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; MCTV; EZ Rock; Channel 10 News; Le Voyageur; Northern Life

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None.

Opening Remarks

The Mayor welcomed students from Cambrian College.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" SESSION

Rise and Report

Deputy Mayor Dupuis, as Chair of the Committee of the Whole, reported Council met to deal with labour 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.

Forestry and Tree Pruning

2004-82 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury serve notice to Greater Sudbury Utilities of its intent to terminate the "Tree Pruning Agreement" dated July 9, 1997, effective December 31, 2004.

RECORDED VOTE:

YEAS

Bradley
Callaghan
Gainer
Gasparini
Rivest

NAYS

Berthiaume
Caldarelli
Craig
Dupuis
Kett
Reynolds
Thompson
Mayor Courtemanche

MOTION LOST

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Forestry and Tree
Pruning
(continued)

With the concurrence of Council, Councillor Callaghan requested that staff prepare a report on how the City will continue to service the community if the Tree Pruning Agreement is terminated.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

Rules of Procedure

With two-thirds majority received, Councillor Kett requested that a motion from Councillor Berthiaume be dealt with regarding Item 10 (Northern Intake Screening Unit Contract 2004) from the Priorities Committee Agenda of 2004-02-25.

Northern Intake Screening Unit Contract 2004

2004-83 Berthiaume-Bradley: WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury is required by the Ministry of Community and Social Services to enter into an agreement for Intake Screening for Ontario Works clients with the Algoma District Services Administration Board; and

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury's findings indicate that the current Intake Screening process is not effective based on the number of "no-shows" and clients deemed to be "ineligible"; and

THEREFORE the City of Greater Sudbury petitions the Province of Ontario through the Minister of Community and Social Services to return the intake function to the City's Health and Social Services Department's Social Services Division; and

FURTHER THAT this would enhance client service, reduce costs associated with running a centralized Intake Screening Unit; and

FURTHER THAT this motion be sent to the other 46 Consolidated Municipal Service Managers, Ontario Municipal Social Services Association, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and our local MPP's.

CARRIED

PART I CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda

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

2004-84 Dupuis-Caldarelli: THAT Items C-1 to C-11 inclusive and Items C-13 and C-14, contained in Part I, Consent Agenda, be adopted.

CARRIED

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Item C-1
Report No. 5
City Council
2004-02-12

2004-85 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT Report No. 5, City Council Minutes of 2004-02-12 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-2
Report No. 4
Priorities Committee
2004-02-25

Councillor Bradley informed the General Manager of Public Works that he received a telephone call from Mr. Hautamaki regarding Item 9 (Upgrading Long Lake Road) of the Priorities Committee meeting of 2004-02-25. Mr. Hautamaki was concerned that there would not be an entrance to his property located on Long Lake Road. Mr. Belisle advised Council that the Ministry of Transportation would be responsible for any property acquisitions and that they are meeting with Mr. Hautamaki to discuss this issue.

2004-86 Caldarelli-Bradley: THAT Report No. 4, Priorities Committee Minutes of 2004-02-25 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-3
Report No. 4
Planning Committee
2004-02-24

2004-87 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT Report No. 4, Planning Committee Minutes of 2004-02-24 be adopted.

CARRIED

Item C-4
T.O.C.
2004-02-10

2004-88 Bradley-Caldarelli : THAT the Report of the Tender Opening Committee Minutes of 2004-02-10 be received.

CARRIED

Item C-5
T.O.C.
2004-02-17

2004-89 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the Report of the Tender Opening Committee Minutes of 2004-02-17 be received

CARRIED

Item C-6
Property Standards
Appeal Committee
2004-02-10

2004-90 Caldarelli-Bradley: THAT Report No. 1 of the Property Standards Appeal Committee Minutes of 2004-02-10 be received.

CARRIED

Item C-7
G.S.P.S. Board
2004-01-26

2004-91 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the Report of the Greater Sudbury Police Services Board Minutes of 2004-01-26 be received.

CARRIED

Item C-8
2004 Budget Public
Input & Information
Ward 1 - 2004-02-16

2004-92 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the Report of the 2004 Budget Public Input and Information Session, Ward 1 Minutes of 2004-02-16 be received.

CARRIED

Item C-9
2004 Budget Public
Input & Information
Ward 2 - 2004-02-17

2004-93 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the Report of the 2004 Budget Public Input and Information Session, Ward 2 Minutes of 2004-02-17 be received.

CARRIED

Item C-10
2004 Budget Public
Input & Information
Ward 3 - 2004-02-18

2004-94 Caldarelli-Bradley: THAT the Report of the 2004 Budget Public Input and Information Session, Ward 3 Minutes of 2004-02-18 be received.

CARRIED

TENDERS

Item C-11
Award of the RFP -
Transit Centre
Information Kiosk

Report dated 2004-02-18 from the General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services regarding Award of the RFP for the Operation of the Transit Centre Information Kiosk was received.

The following resolution was presented:

Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the contract for the delivery of services for the Information Kiosk at the downtown Transit Terminal be awarded to Zio's Tuck Shop, this being the only proposal to meet the criteria outlined in the Request For Proposal. The bid cost is:

Feb 1/04 to Jan 31/05 \$99,600
Feb 1/05 to Jan 31/06 \$110,000
Feb 1/06 to Jan 31/07 \$120,000,

with an option to extend the contract for a 4th and 5th year pending an annual review by the City, and subject to the satisfactory performance of the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement,

4th year Feb 1/07 to Jan 31/08 \$125,000
5th year Feb 1/08 to Jan 31/09 \$130,000.

The above amounts excludes GST.

Motion for Referral

Councillor Rivest requested that the foregoing motion be referred back to staff for further review and negotiation.

The motion for referral was defeated on a show of hands vote.

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Award of the RFP -
Transit Centre
Information Kiosk
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The following resolution was then presented:

2004-95 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the contract for the delivery of services for the Information Kiosk at the downtown Transit Terminal be awarded to Zio's Tuck Shop, this being the only proposal to meet the criteria outlined in the Request For Proposal. The bid cost is:

Feb 1/04 to Jan 31/05 \$99,600
Feb 1/05 to Jan 31/06 \$110,000
Feb 1/06 to Jan 31/07 \$120,000,

with an option to extend the contract for a 4th and 5th year pending an annual review by the City, and subject to the satisfactory performance of the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement,

4th year Feb 1/07 to Jan 31/08 \$125,000
5th year Feb 1/08 to Jan 31/09 \$130,000.

The above amounts excludes GST.

CARRIED

ROUTINE MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Item C-13
Noise By-law
Exemption - Hwy 17

Report dated 2004-02-18, with attachments, from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Noise By-law Exemption - Highway 17 from 1.3 km East of M.R. #55 at Lively, Easterly to Highway 69 was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-96 Caldarelli-Bradley: THAT an exemption to the Noise By-Law be granted to the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario from May 1, 2004 to June 30, 2004 between the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

Exemption is granted for the former Town of Walden By-Law 93-424, being a By-Law to prohibit and regulate noise in the former Town of Walden, and for the former City of Sudbury under Municipal Code, Chapter 776, Section 776.3.10.

Exemption is granted to the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario for the proposed road improvements on the Highway 17 By-Pass, from Highway 69 to Municipal Road 55, to be completed in 2004.

CARRIED

Item C-14
Transcab Service
Contracts

Report dated 2004-02-18 from the General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services regarding Transcab Service Contracts was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-97 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the service contracts with Lockerby Taxi, Ferguson Transportation and Garson Taxi for the provision of TransCab service be extended on a month to month basis pending the outcomes of the 2004 budget and any subsequent RFP process.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

2004-39A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING OF FEBRUARY 26, 2004

2004-40A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUDBURY PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2001 TO DECEMBER 31, 2002

(This By-law is a follow-up to the arbitration ruling report presented to Council in May, 2003 and authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the Collective Bargaining Agreement ordered by the Interest Arbitration Board chaired by David Starkman)

2004-42Z 3 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

Planning Committee Recommendation 2004-23

(This By-law does not rezone the subject property. It permits a retail garden nursery to be established on the subject property for a maximum temporary period of three years - Gerald Desroches, 3201 Herold Drive, Sudbury)

2004-43 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 2003-300 GOVERNING PROCUREMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

(Council's Purchasing By-law authorizes the City Solicitor and the Director of Human Resources to hire outside lawyers when required. This amending By-law adds a similar provision for the Chief of Police from the Police Services budget.)

Councillor Caldarelli stated that there was overspending in the 2003 Budget regarding the hiring of outside lawyers and Mr. Swiddle advised that a report was submitted to Council and that he will recirculate it during the Budget process.

- 2004-44A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 2003-145A CONCERNING CONTINUING SICK LEAVE CREDIT GRATUITIES FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY
- (By-law 2003-145A implemented the continuing sick leave policy as set out in the Collective Agreements. This amending By-law deletes a reference to a Schedule that was not required, and establishes a new Schedule to provide a Sick Leave Certificate.)
- 2004-46A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE THE NORTHERN INTAKE SCREENING UNIT AGREEMENT WITH THE ALGOMA DISTRICT SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BOARD
- Priorities Committee meeting of February 25, 2004
- 2004-48A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE A SEED FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE SUDBURY AREA MINING & SUPPLY SERVICES ASSOCIATION
- Report dated 2004-02-19 from the General Manager of Economic Development and Planning Services
- 2004-49A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH CUSTOM BIO-GAS INC. FOR A BIO-GAS PRODUCTION FACILITY FEASIBILITY STUDY
- Report dated 2004-02-19 from the General Manager of Economic Development and Planning Services
- 2004-50A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH SUDBURY THEATRE CENTRE FOR A FEASIBILITY STUDY
- Report dated 2004-02-19 from the General Manager of Economic Development and Planning Services
- 2004-51A 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ART GALLERY OF SUDBURY FOR A STRATEGIC PLAN
- Report dated 2004-02-19 from the General Manager of Economic Development and Planning Services

2004-52T 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO AMEND BY-LAW 2001-1 TO REGULATE TRAFFIC AND PARKING ON ROADS IN THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY

Report dated 2004-02-18 from the General Manager of Public Works.

(This By-law provides an all-way stop at the intersection of Moonrock Avenue and Telstar Avenue at Brenda Drive, Sudbury.)

2004-53P 3 A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY TO ADOPT AMENDMENT NUMBER 228 OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN FOR THE SUDBURY PLANNING AREA

Planning Committee Resolution # 2004-25

(This amendment changes the land use designation of the subject property from "Rural District" to "Light Industrial District" to permit the development of an industrial park, and it defines the subject property as an area of Site Plan Control. - Pioneer Construction Inc., south side of the Kingsway, Lot 7, Conc. 3, Neelon Township)

1ST & 2ND Reading

2004-98 Caldarelli-Dupuis: THAT By-law 2004-39A, By-law 2004-40A, By-law 2004-42Z to and including By-law 2004-44A, By-law 2004-46A, By-law 2004-48A to and including By-law 2004-53P be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

3RD Reading

2004-99 Dupuis-Caldarelli: THAT By-law 2004-39A, By-law 2004-40A, By-law 2004-42Z to and including By-law 2004-44A, By-law 2004-46A, By-law 2004-48A to and including By-law 2004-53P be read a third time and passed.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Item C-15
Renewal of Banking Agreement

Report dated 2004-02-20 from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding Renewal of Banking Agreement was received for information only.

Item C-16
Development Charges Collected - Year Ended 2003-12-31

Report dated 2004-02-20, with attachments, from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding Development Charges Collected for the Year Ended December 31, 2003 was received for information only.

Item C-17
New Falconbridge Water Supply

Report dated 2004-02-17 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding New Falconbridge Water Supply was received for information only.

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Item C-18
D.L.A.C. Status
Report

Report dated 2004-02-16, with attachments, from the General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services regarding Development Liaison Advisory Committee Status Report to City Council was received for information only.

PART II **REGULAR AGENDA**

MANAGERS' REPORTS

Item R-1
Indoor Soccer Centre

Report dated 2004-02-18, with attachments, from the General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services regarding the Indoor Soccer Centre was received.

The following resolution was presented:

Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the lease held by the City of Greater Sudbury at the Exhibition Centre not be renewed upon its expiry on September 30, 2004;

AND FURTHER THAT should the Sudbury Regional Soccer Association decide to relocate the Indoor Soccer Centre to the Barrydowne Arena, that staff be authorized to enter into a lease agreement with the Sudbury Regional Soccer Association for the use of the Barrydowne Arena;

AND FURTHER THAT beginning in 2005, the \$25,000 annual grant paid by the City of Greater Sudbury to the Sudbury Regional Soccer Association be applied against the outstanding arrears, until such time as the Sudbury Regional Soccer Association account is up to date.

Separation of Motion

With the concurrence of Council, Councillor Caldarelli requested that a vote on the last paragraph of the foregoing motion be taken separately.

Main Motion
(as amended)

The following resolution was then presented:

2004-100 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the lease held by the City of Greater Sudbury at the Exhibition Centre not be renewed upon its expiry on September 30, 2004;

AND FURTHER THAT should the Sudbury Regional Soccer Association decide to relocate the Indoor Soccer Centre to the Barrydowne Arena, that staff be authorized to enter into a lease agreement with the Sudbury Regional Soccer Association for the use of the Barrydowne Arena.

CARRIED

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Indoor Soccer Centre
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Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT beginning in 2005, the \$25,000 annual grant paid by the City of Greater Sudbury to the Sudbury Regional Soccer Association be applied against the outstanding arrears, until such time as the Sudbury Regional Soccer Association account is up to date.

Motion for Referral

It was moved by Councillor Caldarelli that the foregoing motion be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

The motion for referral was carried on a show of hands.

Item R-2
2004 Economic
Development Capital
Envelope Funding
Request

Report dated 2004-02-19, with attachments, from the General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services regarding the 2004 Economic Development Capital Envelope Funding Request was received.

Councillor Bradley asked staff when a report can be submitted to Council regarding the status of the wind farm. Mayor Courtemanche advised Council that a presentation would be on the next Council Agenda of 2004-03-11.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-101 Caldarelli-Bradley: WHEREAS the Greater Sudbury Development Corporation has approved support for the following projects:

- A) SAMSSA seed funding (\$24,375)
- B) Bio Gas Production Facility Feasibility Study (\$20,000)
- C) Sudbury Theatre Feasibility Study (\$7,000)
- D) Art Gallery of Sudbury Strategic Plan (\$2,000)
- E) Eco-Industrial Networking Workshop (\$3,500)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury support the above mentioned projects with contributions from the balance of the 2003 Economic Development Capital Envelope and from the 2004 Economic Development Capital Envelope.

CARRIED

Change of Chair

At 8:00 p.m., His Worship Mayor David Courtemanche vacated the chair.

COUNCILLOR DUPUIS, IN THE CHAIR

Item R-3
Consulting
Engineering Services
Various Water Supply
Upgrades

Report dated 2004-02-17 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Consulting Engineering Services Various Water Supply Upgrades was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-102 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT J.L. Richards & Associates Limited be retained to provide Engineering Services to upgrade the Dowling Water Supply System, in accordance with the New Drinking Water Regulations; and

THAT Earth Tech Canada Inc. be retained to upgrade the Valley East Water Supply System, in accordance with the New Drinking Water Regulations including the provision of enhanced Fire Protection in Azilda and the development of a new Valley East Well; and

THAT Earth Tech Canada Inc. be retained to provide Engineering Services associated with upgrades at the Wanapitei Water Treatment Plant, necessary to meet the requirements of the New Drinking Water Regulations; and

FURTHER THAT each of these assignments be carried out in accordance with the City's Standard Engineering Services Agreements.

CARRIED

Item R-4
Waster Water
Treatment Plants
Operating Manual
Revisions

Report dated 2004-02-18 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Waste Water Treatment Plants Operating Manual Revisions was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-103 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT CH2M Hill Canada Limited, be retained through a Blanket Purchase Order to revise the Operating Manual for the Chelmsford Waste Water Treatment Plant on an as-required basis; and

THAT Dennis Consultants be retained through a Blanket Purchase Order to revise the Operating Manual for the Levack Waste Water Treatment Plant on an as-required basis; and

THAT Earth Tech Canada Inc. be retained through a Blanket Purchase Order to revise the Operating Manual for the Valley East Waste Water Treatment Plant on an as-required basis; and

THAT J.L. Richards & Associations Limited be retained through a Blanket Purchase Order to revise the Operating Manuals for the Azilda, Dowling and Walden Waste Water Treatment Plants on an as-required basis.

CARRIED

Item R-5
Consulting
Engineering Services
at Sudbury Waste
Water Treatment Plant

Report dated 2004-02-18 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Consulting Engineering Services at Sudbury Waste Water Treatment Plant was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-104 Caldarelli-Bradley: THAT Dennis Consultants be retained to provide engineering services for the replacement of the original four clarifier mechanisms, for finalizing modifications to the electrical switch gear and standby power systems, and for various other minor upgrades at the Sudbury Waste Water Treatment Plant; and

FURTHER THAT this assignment be carried out in accordance with the City's Standard Engineering Services Agreement.

CARRIED

Change of Chair

At 8:14 p.m., Councillor Dupuis vacated the Chair.

HIS WORSHIP MAYOR DAVID COURTEMANCHE, IN THE CHAIR

Item R-6
Ramsey Lake Water
Quality Monitoring &
Modelling

Report dated 2004-02-18 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Ramsey Lake Water Quality Monitoring and Modelling was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-105 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT Council approve the issuing of a Purchase Order in the value of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), to Laurentian University through its Centre for Environmental Monitoring to develop a Hydraulic Model predicting the performance of Lake Ramsey and its ground water supplies including the collection and analysis of various water quality samples.

CARRIED

Item R-7
Appointment of
Citizen Directors -
Board of Greater
Sudbury Housing
Corporation

Report dated 2004-02-17, with attachments, from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Appointment of Five (5) "Citizen" Directors to the Board of Greater Sudbury Housing Corporation was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-106 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT the following citizens be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Greater Sudbury Housing Corporation for the term commencing with the 2004 Annual General Meeting and including the 2007 Annual General Meeting or until such time as their successors are appointed:

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Citizen Directors -
Board of Greater
Sudbury Housing
Corporation
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1. Rita Cauley-Clifford
2. Mart Kivistik
3. Alex Fex
4. Madeleine Rochon
5. Karen McCauley

CARRIED

Item R-8
"Inspector Plus" Field
Inspection Hardware
Updates

Report dated 2004-02-16 from the General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services regarding "Inspector Plus" Field Inspection Hardware Updates was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-107 Caldarelli-Bradley: THAT Council authorize the Request for Proposal and subsequent purchase of Building Inspector Field Inspection Hardware updates in advance of budget allocations with funding to be provided from the 2004 Corporate Infrastructure Envelope.

CARRIED

MOTION

Item R-9
Staff Rationalization
Process

WHEREAS operating expenditures are rising faster than capital expenditures, as seen in the Long Term Financial Plan; and

WHEREAS according to the Long Term Financial Plan there is little evidence of efficiency gains from such areas as contracting out and IT expenditures; and

WHEREAS labour costs represent 35 - 50% of operating costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Greater Sudbury begin a staff rationalization process beginning with Public Works-Operations, exclusive of Sewer and Water, in 2004. This would involve an immediate hiring freeze and a comprehensive employee-training program to increase job flexibility and enrichment with regards to the delivery of appropriate services.

Amended Motion
Staff Rationalization
Process

With the concurrence of Council, Councillor Kett requested the the following motion be substituted:

Kett-Caldarelli: WHEREAS operating expenditures are rising faster than capital expenditures, as seen in the Long Term Financial Plan; and

WHEREAS according to the Long Term Financial Plan there is little evidence of efficiency gains from such areas as contracting out and IT expenditures; and

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Staff Rationalization
Process
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WHEREAS labour costs represent 35 - 50% of operating costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Greater Sudbury begin a staff rationalization process beginning with Public Works-Operations, exclusive of Sewer and Water, in 2004. This would involve a managed attrition process with a comprehensive employee-training program to increase job flexibility and enrichment with regards to the delivery of appropriate services; and

THAT staff bring forward an appropriate report to the Finance Committee on this process.

Friendly Amendment

Councillor Reynolds requested that the following friendly amendment be considered:

NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT affective immediately, vacated staff positions be filled with the most qualified employee.

Following a discussion by Council the foregoing motion was withdrawn with the consent of Council.

Amendment to the Motion

The following amendment was introduced:

2004-108 Rivest-Craig: THAT the words "beginning with Public Works-Operations, exclusive of Sewer and Water, in 2004. This" be deleted.

CARRIED

Friendly Amendment

With the concurrence of the mover, Councillor Kett, Councillor Bradley requested that the motion be amended as follows:

"following completion of the 2004 Budget" after the words "NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT".

Main Motion
(as amended)

2004-109 Kett-Caldarelli: WHEREAS operating expenditures are rising faster than capital expenditures, as seen in the Long Term Financial Plan; and

WHEREAS according to the Long Term Financial Plan there is little evidence of efficiency gains from such areas as contracting out and IT expenditures; and

WHEREAS labour costs represent 35 - 50% of operating costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT following completion of the 2004 Budget, the City of Greater Sudbury begin a staff rationalization process which would involve a managed attrition process with a comprehensive employee-training program to increase job flexibility and enrichment with regards to the delivery of

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Staff Rationalization
Process
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appropriate services; and

THAT staff bring forward an appropriate report to the Finance Committee on this process.

RECORDED VOTE:

YEAS

NAYS

Berthiaume
Bradley
Caldarelli
Callaghan
Craig
Dupuis
Gainer
Kett
Reynolds
Rivest
Thompson
Mayor Courtemanche

Gasparini

CARRIED

CIVIC PETITIONS

Councillor Reynolds

Councillor Reynolds submitted a petition to the City Clerk, signed by approximately four hundred (400) citizens of the City of Greater Sudbury. The petition requests that the Greater Sudbury Police Services have more police officers on duty to help make the City a safer place to live.

Councillor Bradley

Councillor Bradley submitted a petition to the City Clerk, signed by approximately two hundred fifty (250) residents of Dowling. The petition is requesting support from the City of Greater Sudbury to have the Ministry of Transportation reconstruct Highway 144 and build sidewalks, in the residential and commercial areas of the Dowling Flats area.

QUESTION PERIOD

**Mandatory Retirement
Policy**

Councillor Caldarelli asked the Chief Administrative Officer if the motion to direct the new employee retirement policy was being brought forward.

Mr. Mieto advised Council that they were waiting for an answer from AMO and a joint program is being implemented. Mr. Wuksinic advised that the major cities of Ontario are preparing a paper which would create an impact on removing the retirement age of 65. He also advised that the City is currently maintaining the existing retirement policy.

Mandatory Retirement Policy
(continued)

Councillor Caldarelli stated that it was her understanding that nothing was to be done until something came back to Council. Mr. Wuksinic advised Council that the Mandatory Retirement Age application and a report will be submitted to Council.

Crossing Guards

Councillor Dupuis asked the General Manager of Corporate Services if the City could re-hire crossing guards who were let go, once a decision was made regarding the Mandatory Retirement Age Policy to extend past the age 65.

Mr. Wuksinic advised Council that the collective agreement would play a significant role in the hiring of crossing guards and that the City could not be selective.

Hospital Summit

Councillor Bradley asked the Chief Administrative Officer what role the City was playing at the Hospital Summit. Mr. Mieto advised Council that he will make inquiries regarding the format and criteria of the Summit and report back to Council.

Lakes Ramsey & Nepahwin - Snow Removal

Councillor Craig stated that the snow in the apartment parking lots situated on Lakes Ramsey and Nepahwin is melting into the lakes. His concern is that the salt, sand and debris from the melting snow is contaminating the lakes and would like Public Works to investigate and possibly have the snow banks removed.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Economic Development Strategic Plan

Submitted by Councillor Callaghan:

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury has adopted the Economic Development Strategic Plan as put forth by the City of Greater Sudbury Community Development Corporation (CGSCDC); and

WHEREAS the Economic Development strategy is focused on five engines for growth in the future; Mining; City for Creative Culture; Tourism; Eco-Industry; and Health and Bio-technology; and

WHEREAS each of these engines has a Task Force comprised of community and board members to move the strategy forward with identified projects; and

WHEREAS the CGSCDC is an independent corporation created by the City of Greater Sudbury with the mandate to promote community economic development with the co-operation and participation of the community and the City of Greater Sudbury Council; and

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury provides the staffing and annual funding of nearly \$2M towards the efforts of Economic Development; and

Economic
Development Strategic
Plan
(continued)

WHEREAS Economic Development staff are providing excellent support in moving the economic development plan forward; and

WHEREAS the recent Oracle poll states clearly that City Council should be involved in the promotion of economic development;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury hereby requests the Board of the CGSCDC adopt the following recommendations in order to increase accountability and communications:

1. That Engine Task Force Chairs be established and ultimately appointed to the Board;
2. That the five Task Force Chairs make annual progress reports to City Council;
3. That the Governance Committee for the Board include at least three Councillors and three citizen board members;
4. That measurable performance objectives be developed and presented by the CGSCDC;
5. That these four recommendations be acted on prior to the next scheduled Annual General Meeting of the CGSCDC (June 2004).

Adjournment

2004-110 Bradley-Caldarelli: THAT this meeting does now adjourn.
Time: 9:46 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor

City Clerk

**THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Council Chamber
Tom Davies Square**

**Wednesday, March 3, 2004
Commencement: 5:30 p.m.**

Chair

COUNCILLOR TED CALLAGHAN, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Mayor Courtemanche; Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Caldarelli; Craig; Dupuis; Gasparini; Reynolds; Rivest; Thompson

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; D. Belisle, General Manager, Public Works; C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; C. Matheson, General Manager of Health & Social Services; D. Wuksinic, General Manager, Corporate Services; T. Beadman, Acting General Manager, Emergency Services; D. Nadorozny, General Manager, Economic Development and Planning; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; C. Mahaffy, Supervisor of Accounting Services; Ed Stankiewicz, Budget Coordinator; R. Swiddle, Director of Legal Services/City Solicitor; C. Salazar, Manager of Corporate Strategy and Policy Analyst; T. Mowry, City Clerk; A. Haché, Deputy City Clerk; C.J. Caporale, Council Secretary; K. Bowschar-Lische, Planning Committee Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; Le Voyageur; Channel 10 News; Northern Life; My Town; MCTV

CUPE Local 4705

W. MacKinnon, President

Declarations of
Pecuniary Interest

None

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Item 2
2004 Citizen and
Business Survey

Report entitled "2004 Citizen and Business Survey" was previously distributed to Members of Council.

A copy of the Presentation dated 2004-03-03 from Mr. Paul A. Seccaspina, President & CEO and Dr. Robert C. Sinclair, Ph.D., Oraclepoll Research Limited regarding 2004 State of the Community Survey Results was distributed to Members of Council at the meeting.

Dr. Robert C. Sinclair, Ph.D. provided an electronic presentation of results of the citizen survey. He advised that they did a random survey of 1200 residences. He provided a brief summary of the survey results which included:

Item C-2
2004 Citizen and
Business Survey
(Cont'd)

- 50% of Sudbury residents believe that the quality of life is good or really good
- overall, satisfaction with the services provided by the City have increased this year relative to last year
- citizens satisfaction has increased for the following services - job creation, Pioneer Manor, public health, policing, sewer and water, winter roads maintenance
- citizen satisfaction decreased with the following services - waste management, landfill sites, leisure programs and recreation facilities.
- Everyone in favour of reopening facilities which were closed

He suggested that Council focus on infrastructure and roads, improve efficiencies to cut costs, reopen facilities, encourage growth and economic development.

Rules of Procedure

The Committee agreed to deal with Item 7 (Debate Setting of Council Priorities - 2004) at this time.

MANAGERS' REPORTS

Item 7 - Debate
Setting of Council
Priorities 2004

As noted on the agenda, there would be a recommendation presented at the meeting for the consideration of the Committee.

Caldarelli-Courtemanche: Whereas Council has undertaken the most comprehensive Public Input and Information Consultation Process in the City's history for the 2004 Budget;

Whereas Council is committed to act on this public input;

Therefore be it resolved that Council establish the following priorities for the 2004 Budget:

- City Infrastructure – rebuilding our roads
- City Finances – containing the escalating operating costs through efficiencies and fully developing the City's CIP program
- Community's future – focusing on assessment growth
- Community services – considering community facilities

Amendment

With the concurrence of the Committee, the following friendly amendment was presented:

That the words "as a guiding framework" be added to paragraph 2 and the words "with a "No layoff policy" be added to paragraph 4, bullet 2.

Main Motion
as Amended

Main Motion
as Amended

The main recommendation as amended was then presented:

2004-4 Caldarelli-Courtemanche: WHEREAS Council has undertaken the most comprehensive Public Input and Information Consultation Process in the City's history for the 2004 Budget;

WHEREAS Council is committed to act on this public input;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council establish the following priorities as a guiding framework for the 2004 Budget:

- City Infrastructure – rebuilding our roads
- City Finances – containing the escalating operating costs through efficiencies and fully developing the City's CIP program with a "No Layoff Policy"
- Community's future – focusing on assessment growth
- Community services – considering community facilities

CARRIED

Recess

At 7:00 p.m., the Finance Committee recessed.

Reconvene

At 7:15 p.m., the Finance Committee reconvened.

CORRESPONDENCE - INFORMATION ONLY

Item 3
2004 Budget
Council Survey
Budget Issues &
Priorities

Report dated 2004-02-27, from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Budget 2004 - Council Survey - Budget Issues and Priorities was received for information.

Item 4
2004 Budget
Council Survey
Budget Options

Report dated 2004-02-27 was received from the Chief Administrative Officer 2004 Budget - Council Survey, Budget Options.

The Committee reviewed the summary of budget options provided by individual Council Members in the Council survey and direction was provided by the Committee as follows:

REDUCTIONS/EFFICIENCIES

1. Decrease supplies budget by at least 10% ***(Report Requested including itemized list of accounts)***
2. Reduce Legal Department use of outside consultants by 25% - All legal work for HR labour relations to be done in-house ***(Report Required)***
3. Reduce legal fees for consultants from \$1.6 million to \$600,000 ***(Report Required)***
4. Rock tunnel construction to stop at Algonquin Rd. ***(Deleted)***
5. Convergence of utilities ***(Report Required)***
6. Grow our assessment base through a creative and imaginative plan for sale of surplus properties. Goal \$1 million in 2004. ***(Solutions Task Force)***
7. Reduction of overtime hours through better scheduling (particularly Leisure Services *(savings on overtime for Transit on statutory holidays and holidays)* and Corporate Services) ***(Report Required)***
8. Collect fines and back taxes. Do not hire these positions, but contract out to a new local company ***(Existing Budget Option)***
9. Partner with community groups to create new synergies, cost-savings, and more productivity instead of competing with them i.e. Mayor's Roundtable for Seniors vs. Senior Friendly Sudbury GSDC vs. New Economy Sudbury ***(Parking Lot)***

USER FEES

10. Equitable user fees ***(Existing Budget Option)***
11. Maximum user fee increase 5% ***(Existing Budget Option)***
12. No increase in user fees ***(Existing Budget Option)***

IMPROVEMENTS

13. Road Improvements:
 - a. A 2 % - 5% road renewal levy for the term of Council
 - b. An additional \$4.5 million **strictly** for road construction
 - i. 2.5M from operating savings (cut operations budget increase by half)
 - ii. \$2 million from reserves ***(Dealt with by Resolution at a Previous Meeting)***
14. Concentrate 75% of the capital budget on roads - no more capital envelopes ***(Dealt with by Resolution at a Previous Meeting)***
15. Set aside \$300,000 for a comprehensive employee training plan - multitasking teams ***(Report/Budget Option Required)***
16. Design a rebate program for low-income seniors (and others) to protect them from the tax increase ***(Report Required)***
17. Develop a plan to reopen some recreational facilities (Adanac, Falconbridge & Dow) through reserve funds and the use of community groups to govern/fundraise and marketing. ***(Development of Budget Options)***
18. Reduce to \$ 6.00 the transcab fares for seniors and students from Levack to Chelmsford ***(Existing Budget Option)***
19. Build turning lane in front First Baptist Church in Garson ***(Report Required)***

Item 4
2004 Budget
Council Survey
Budget Options (Cont'd)

20. Eliminate tipping fees completely for citizens bringing household garbage to landfill sites **(Referred to Technical Steering Committee on Waste Optimization Study)**
21. Provide sewer/water services to Falconbridge Hwy. (10 homes) across road from Cedar Green **(Report Required including criteria on how project gets on Priority List)**
22. Traffic lights and turning lanes to solve the safety issues at McCrea Heights. **(Report Required)**
23. Initiate analysis of transportation alternatives (e.g. Barrydowne Rd. and Maley Drive extensions) to the congestion of Barrydowne, LaSalle and NotreDame avenues. **(Part of new OP Background Study)**

Additional Budget Options were presented by Committee Members at the meeting and dealt with as follows:

1. Traffic Lights at St. Jean Baptiste Street and Pilon Street **(Report Required)**
2. Blue Box and Garbage Collection every second week **(Referred to Technical Steering Committee on Solid Waste Optimization)**
3. Blue Box and Garbage Collection on One Side of the Street Only **(Referred to Technical Steering Committee on Solid Waste Optimization)**

Item 5
2004 Current
Budget
Public Input Session 2
Wards 1-4

Report dated 2004-02-27 from the General Manager of Corporate regarding 2004 Current Budget, Public Input Session 2, Wards 1 - 4 was received for information.

Item 6
Estimating Economic
Impact of
Public Infrastructure
Expenditures
Road Improvements

Report dated 2004-02-06 from the General Manager of Economic Development and Planning Services regarding estimating the economic impact of public infrastructure expenditures: road improvements was received for information.

Recess

At 8:45 p.m., the Finance Committee recessed.

Reconvene

At 9:00 p.m., the Finance Committee reconvened.

MOTIONS

The following motions were presented:

**Roads Capital
Funding**

2004-05 Courtemanche-Craig: WHEREAS the citizens of Greater Sudbury through extensive consultation sessions on the 2004 budget and through a number of successive years of residential and business surveys, have voiced their concerns that roads maintenance must be of the highest priority; and

WHEREAS Greater Sudbury continues to rank extremely low on the levy per capita for roads expenditures and capital financing in the BMA Competitiveness Study which ranks municipalities in Ontario on a number of measures; and

WHEREAS Roads Capital Funding has been reduced by fifty percent (50%) since 1995 as a result of the loss of Provincial Road Subsidies; and

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury currently allocates \$9.3M per year towards road capital construction and reconstruction; and

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury Roads Needs have been identified as \$23M annually; and

WHEREAS staff has cited that it is considerably more expensive to repair roads as the condition deteriorates; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government has announced a G.S.T. rebate which can be used to support additional roads capital expenditures; and

WHEREAS doubling the Roads Capital Budget will create an additional 148 person years of employment plus a spin-off of 68 person years of employment for a total of 216 person years of employment;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to prepare a report which details how the capital contribution to roads can be doubled over the next three year period.

CARRIED

Tax Increase

The following motion was presented:

Courtemanche-Craig: WHEREAS Council has just completed an extensive public consultation on the 2004 Budget; and

WHEREAS the citizens of Greater Sudbury have made it known that a reasonable tax increase would be acceptable if services are maintained or increased; and

WHEREAS Council recognizes that the citizens of Greater Sudbury, particularly our seniors and those on fixed incomes, have a limited ability to support a large municipal tax increase; and

WHEREAS the former City of Sudbury for the last decade held municipal taxes to zero percent; and

WHEREAS the 2004 budget presented by staff on January 24th, 2004, projected a net tax increase of 11.5%.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council set a target of a 7% tax increase.

Motion for Deferral

Councillor Rivest requested that the preceding motion be deferred.

Council defeated the request by Councillor Rivest by a show of hands.

Main Motion

The motion was once again presented:

2004-6 Courtemanche-Craig: WHEREAS Council has just completed an extensive public consultation on the 2004 Budget; and

WHEREAS the citizens of Greater Sudbury have made it known that a reasonable tax increase would be acceptable if services are maintained or increased; and

WHEREAS Council recognizes that the citizens of Greater Sudbury, particularly our seniors and those on fixed incomes, have a limited ability to support a large municipal tax increase; and

WHEREAS the former City of Sudbury for the last decade held municipal taxes to zero percent; and

WHEREAS the 2004 budget presented by staff on January 24th, 2004, projected a net tax increase of 11.5%.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council set a target of a 7% tax increase.

Tax Increase
(Cont'd)

RECORDED VOTE:

YEAS

Berthiaume
Bradley
Gasparini
Reynolds
Thompson
Courtemanche
Callaghan

NAYS

Caldarelli
Craig
Dupuis
Rivest

CARRIED

Remaining Agenda
Items

The remaining items list on the agenda will be placed on Finance Committee agenda of March 8, 2004.

Adjournment

2004-07 Dupuis-Caldarelli: That this meeting does now adjourn.
Time: 10:00 p.m.

CARRIED

COUNCILLOR TED CALLAGHAN, CHAIR

DEPUTY CITY CLERK

MINUTES OF THE TENDER OPENING COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Room C-14
Tom Davies Square
2004-02-24

Commencement: 2:30 p.m.
Adjournment: 2:34 p.m.

MIKE JAKUBO, ACTING MANAGER OF SUPPLIES & SERVICES, IN THE CHAIR

Present

K. Lessard, Law Clerk; M. Hauta, Accountant; J. Beattie, Supervisor of General Accounting; L. Lesar, Secretary to the Manager of Supplies & Services; B. Mangiardi, Director of Information Technology

RFP for Peoplesoft FCSM Upgrades

Contract CPS04-04, Request for Proposals for Peoplesoft FCSM Accelerated Upgrades {estimated at a cost between \$100,000 and \$150,000} was received from the following bidder:

BIDDER

Xwave

A bid deposit in the form of a Certified Cheque in the amount of \$10,000.00 accompanied the proposal.

The foregoing tenders were turned over to the Director of Information Technology for review and recommendation to the General Manager of Corporate Services who would report to City Council.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

T.O.C. 2004-02-24 (1)

MINUTES OF THE TENDER OPENING COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Room C-14
Tom Davies Square
2004-03-02

Commencement: 2:30 p.m.
Adjournment: 2:45 p.m

M. JAKUBO, ACTING MANAGER OF SUPPLIES & SERVICES, IN THE CHAIR

Present: M. Hauta, Accountant; K. Lessard, Law Clerk; A. Sweetman, Sewer and Water Engineer; E. Svezikas, Senior Technican; L. Lesar, Secretary to the Manager of Supplies & Services

Contract 2004-9
Anderson Lift Station
Forcemain Upgrades

Tenders for Contract 2004-9, Anderson Lift Station Forcemain Upgrades {estimated at a total cost of \$345,000.00} were received from the following bidders:

BIDDER	TOTAL AMOUNT
Pioneer Construction	\$498,717.64
R.M. Belanger Limited	\$436,988.00
Tera North Construction Engineering Ltd.	\$398,232.60
Garson Pipe Contractors	\$393,093,93
Tesc Contracting Co. Ltd.	\$451,433.00
Nor Eng Construction	\$468,660.00

A bid deposit in the form of a certified cheque, letter of credit or bid bond with an agreement to bond accompanied each tender.

The foregoing tenders were turned over to the Senior Technician for review and recommendation. A report outlining the recommendations would be prepared and forwarded to the General Manager of Public Works for approval. A copy of this report would be provided to the Manager of Supplies & Services

Contract 2004-33, Ellis
Reservoir Baffles

Tenders for Contract 2004-33, Ellis Reservoir Baffles, {estimated at a total cost of \$400,000.00} were received from the following bidders:

BIDDERS	TOTAL AMOUNT
Cecchetto & Sons	\$385,606.60
Tesc Contracting Co. Ltd.	\$209,720.00
Patrick Mechanical	\$290,863.00
Nor Eng Construction	\$196,880.00

T.O.C. 2004-03-02 (1)

Contract 2004-33

(Continued)

A bid deposit in the form of a certified cheque, letter of credit or bid bond with an agreement to bond accompanied each tender.

The foregoing tenders were turned over to the Senior Technician for review and recommendation. A report outlining the recommendations would be prepared and forwarded to the General Manager of Public Works for approval. A copy of this report would be provided to the Manager of Supplies & Services.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

T.O.C. 2004-03-02 (2)

NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Minutes of General Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 24, 2004

Room C-11
Tom Davies Square

Commenced: 5:00 p.m.
Adjourned: 6:40 p.m.

PRESENT: Ron Bradley - Chairman
Aaron Beaudry
Ron Dupuis
Lynne Reynolds
Bob Rogers

ALSO PRESENT: A. Bonnis
P. Sajatovic
D. Lenzi
G. Babij (Babij & Associates)
M. Hennessy (Hennessy & Co.)

COMMUNICATIONS: G. Dalcourt
R. Thompson

1. Chair Bradley opened the meeting.
2. No declarations of conflict were declared.
3. Adoption of Minutes

a) January 28, 2004

Resolution 2004-15

Dupuis - Beaudry

That the minutes of the January 28, 2004 Annual General Board meeting, as duplicated and circulated, be approved.

Carried.

4. Presentation - 2003 Audited Financial Statement

Copies of the Financial Statement had previously been distributed to Board members. Greg Babij, the N.D.C.A. Auditor, proceeded with a page by page review of the statement. He highlighted the main program activities and any significant variances. Members asked a number of questions and following their clarification, a resolution was presented.

Resolution 2004-16

Beaudry - Bradley

That the 2003 N.D.C.A. Financial Statement be approved as presented.

Carried.

5. General Business

a) South Bay Road Property Matter

A property matter related to land owned by the N.D.C.A. in the Lake Laurentian Conservation Area off South Bay Road was brought forward to the General Board members. Mr. Michael Hennessy, Solicitor, present on behalf of the applicant wishing to acquire a small piece of property from the N.D.C.A., was in attendance. Mr. Hennessy made a presentation to Board members and provided further background information to clarify the position of his client. It was recommended to Board members, by N.D.C.A. staff, that the City of Greater Sudbury Planning Department and Committee be requested to reconsider one item included in a rezoning recommendation. After a very thorough discussion, the following resolution was passed.

Resolution 2004-17

Beaudry - Rogers

That the N.D.C.A. hereby requests that the City of Greater Sudbury, through the Planning Department and Planning Committee, reconsider Condition #3 as contained in Recommendation #2003-208 as it relates to the property located on South Bay Road.

Carried.

b) Public Meeting Notice - McCharles Lake

General Board members were provided with information related to a Public Meeting to be held on March 4, 2004, with residents in the McCharles Lake area. The intent of the public meeting is to discuss seasonal water levels and flows in this immediate area along Junction Creek and the Vermilion River. A report on the outcomes from this public meeting will be given to Board members at a future meeting.

c) 2004 N.D.C.A. Budget Review

The 2004 N.D.C.A. Budget package had been previously distributed to members. N.D.C.A. staff commenced the budget review with a detailed overview of issues to consider. As well, major variances in the 2004 budget when compared to the

2003 work program were highlighted. Many issues were discussed including the levy increase request to the member municipality; level of grants from the Ministry of Natural Resources; eligibility for the full GST rebate; specific components of the proposed 2004 work program, etc. The Board members had many questions, and reviewed the Power Point presentation to be made at the City Budget Committee meeting on March 10th. Following the discussion, a resolution was presented.

Resolution 2004-18

Rogers - Dupuis

That the N.D.C.A. 2004 Budget be approved in the total amount of \$865,926, AND FURTHER that the City of Greater Sudbury be requested to provide \$254,410, for the general levy and \$277,500 as a Special Capital Allocation. Carried.

One item coming from the budget discussion, was related to the taxes paid by the N.D.C.A. on the office space leased in Tom Davies Square. Members were asked to consider whether or not the N.D.C.A. should apply for a partial rebate. Members discussed the issue and had a number of questions. The following resolution was then passed.

Resolution 2004-19

Reynolds - Rogers

That the N.D.C.A. apply to the City of Greater Sudbury for the property tax rebate on the occupied space at Tom Davies Square for the 2003 taxation year.

Carried.

6. New Business

a) Source Protection Planning

On February 12, 2004, the Provincial government released a White Paper on Watershed-Based Source Protection Planning for public consultation. Justice O'Connor had identified source protection as the missing element in ensuring Ontario's water is safe from source to tap during the Walkerton Inquiry process. The public consultation process will include a stakeholders' meeting in Sudbury on March 12th and individuals/groups/agencies can submit written comments to the province by April 12th. It will be very important for the N.D.C.A. Board to carefully consider the White Paper's contents. As well, the Sudbury Source Protection Planning Committee, formed by the N.D.C.A. in 2003, will also

prepare a "Sudbury Response" to this next stage in the source protection planning process for Ontario. It was decided that this issue will be placed on the agenda of the March, 2004 General Board meeting for more detailed discussion.

b) Annual Flood Contingency Planning Meeting

Board members were advised that the N.D.C.A.'s annual Flood Contingency Planning Meeting has been scheduled for Friday, March 12th. Representatives from various agencies will be present to discuss preparations for the upcoming spring runoff period. Members will also be given an update on developing spring runoff conditions during the March, 2004 General Board meeting.

c) March, 2004 General Board Meeting Date

After considering a number of issues, Board members decided to change the March, 2004 meeting from the original date of March 17th. The meeting will now be held on Tuesday, March 23rd, at Tom Davies Square, with the time to be confirmed.

No other business was transacted.

7. Adjournment

Resolution 2004-20 Beaudry - Dupuis

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.

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**2004 BUDGET PUBLIC INPUT AND INFORMATION SESSION
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Capreol Arena Hall
Capreol, Ward 4**

**Monday, February 23, 2004
Commencement: 7:40 p.m.**

Chair

COUNCILLOR ELDON GAINER, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Callaghan; Dupuis; Thompson

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; T. Beadman, Acting General Manager, Emergency Services; E. Stankiewicz, Co-Ordinator of Current Budget; K. Khan, Business Analyst; A. Haché, Deputy Clerk; J. Cappadocia, Assistant Manager of Arenas/Community Services; K. Bowschar-Lische, Planning Committee Secretary

C.U.P.E. Local 4705

W. MacKinnon, President

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Welcome and
Opening Remarks

Councillor Gainer welcomed the 120 citizens in attendance to the 2004 Budget Public Input and Information Session, Roundtable Discussions and Review of Budget Options. He advised the purpose of the meeting was to provide an opportunity for the public to give Council some direction on how they would like this year's budget pressures addressed.

Caroline Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services, outlined the format for the Roundtable Discussions to those present. She indicated that input was being sought on four questions:

1. What level of municipal service do you expect?
Should any services be reduced or eliminated?
2. Should those who use a service pay for the service (user fees) and/or should everyone share in the cost (taxes)?
3. What services would you like to see improved or added?
4. Should the City borrow money and/or implement a special levy to fix roads, repair arenas, replace fire trucks, maintain police communications, etc.?

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

Question #1

***What level of municipal service do you expect?
Should any services be reduced or eliminated?***

Table 1

Table 1 had no comments.

Table 2

Table 2 had no comments.

Table 3

Table 3 questioned whether Capreol would be getting Police Service all the time and requested police presence. This table looked at reductions that affected Capreol specifically. They felt that there should not be any reductions in snow removal or sidewalk maintenance as there are many seniors that this would affect. They said that the Capreol Railway Museum should be kept open and alternate sources of funding investigated. They indicated that street lighting should also be maintained. With respect to reductions, they were in favour of eliminating preferred shares from the Greater Sudbury Utilities Inc. and introducing an automated attendant at Tom Davies Square. The Christmas lights in Capreol should have been taken down a little earlier this year in order to save hydro costs. They also felt the use of paper should be reduced at Tom Davies Square and there should be more automation. They would like City Council and staff expenses reviewed, particularly travel expense claims.

Table 4

Table 4 had no comments.

Table 5

Table 5 had no comments.

Table 6

Table 6 felt that the purchase of preferred shares from the Greater Sudbury Utilities Inc. should be eliminated and questioned who owned the GSU?

Table 7

Table 7 advised that legislation mandates workers performing certain duties on public works job sites. The general public would like live voices answering the telephones at Tom Davies Square, not an automated attendant. They indicated tree pruning/replacement is very important to the aesthetics of the community. They commented that contracting out is a disaster. In 1998, the former Region of Sudbury contracted out snow plowing and the next year the bid went up by 43%. The unionized work force at the City were not involved and did not have any input into this year's budget process.

Table 7 (cont'd)

Another speaker from Table 7 pointed out that a major issue which is being missed is that communities prior to amalgamation did not enjoy the ten-year no tax increase that the City of Sudbury taxpayer did. Now, instead of increasing only the taxes in the former City of Sudbury, the increase is being shared with all the outlying communities. He suggested that Council should look at having a separate tax increase for the former City of Sudbury of 10 to 15 percent and the outlying communities an increase of 5%. He said that taxes should be returned to the way they were and not expect outlying communities to cover Sudbury's load.

Table 8

Table 8 indicated that they did not agree with the option to transfer to the property owner responsibility for maintenance and repairs of water and wastewater laterals from mains to lot line. They felt that anything that reduces the level of safety shouldn't be touched.

Table 11

Table 11 stated that they see many items on the list which will lead to other reductions. For example, by eliminating purchase of preferred shares from Greater Sudbury Utilities, you are reducing the City's budget, but increasing Hydro's and therefore it is just a transfer. By saying that street lighting and transit services be eliminated in Lively and Coniston, you are opening the door for transit service to be eliminated in other locations. City Council should look at efficiencies such as having Blue Box pick-up every two weeks instead of every week and garbage pick-up reduced to once every 2 weeks during the winter months. They said that a reduction option with respect to Mayor's Advisor position should have been included on the list. They felt that it was a waste of time for workers to attend at the Suez Depot to pick up equipment and bring it back to Capreol and other parts of the Valley. They felt that rather than have 15 people report to one location to pick up machinery, the machinery be located closer to the locations and the supervisor would go out to the location. They also felt that if snow removal was eliminated by 60%, the City would be asking for accidents.

Another speaker from Table 11 advised that if he ran his business and spent money like the City of Greater Sudbury, he would not be in business long. It does not make good common or business sense to have contractors do snow removal at arenas, libraries and other public facilities. Public Works did it before and they would charge back the appropriate departments. This was done by journal entries and it is not like taking money out of your pocket. They agreed with having Blue Box Pickup every 2nd week instead of every week. They pointed out that a lot of people cannot afford an 11% tax increase. They felt that these public input meetings were a good start but do not provide much time for citizens to come up with suggestions.

Table 12

Table 12 had no comments.

Table 13

Table 13 indicated that they are not in favour of closing any museums as they are important to keep our heritage. Museums create tourism and bring in revenue to the community. They do not want any services, such as snow removal taken away, especially when there is a safety concern. They see services eroding and taxes increasing. They felt that operating efficiencies should be looked at again and again.

Question #2

Should those who use a service pay for the service (user fees) and/or should everyone share in the cost (taxes)?

Table 1

Table 1 felt that it is important to retain recreation and sports for children and do not agree with an increase from \$5.25 to \$16.75, an increase of 200%.

Table 2

Table 2 had no comments.

Table 3

Table 3 discussed user fees and support harmonized fees for all leisure and recreational services. They felt that a review of the service levels and fees should be undertaken in order to harmonize fees. As far as revenue generation, they suggested introducing user fees for library services.

The General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services advised that the Ontario Public Libraries Act, forbids charging fees for library services.

Another speaker from Table 3 indicated that there is no option to reduce consultant fees. There are big dollars being spent on consultants which should be eliminated.

Table 4

Table 4 stated that last year, the Garson Minor Ball play field rates totaled \$205.00 for the year and now they are \$16.75 per child, which increases their fee to \$3,015.00 per year. In Sudbury, they are charging \$16.75 per child and they are using the Terry Fox Complex which is where all the major tournaments are held. Her group is using a Mom-and-Pop field. She suggested a formula whereby it would cost \$7.60 per child to use these fields. Last year, Garson Minor Ball was able to hold an end-of-the-year party and now with the increase, that will no longer take place.

Table 5

Table 5 had no comments.

Table 6

Table 6 disagrees with user fees for solid waste because if you go behind Capreol there is just as much garbage on the dirt roads as there as in the Valley East landfill. Solid waste should be included in the tax levy. If the City starts charging a \$1 a bag, the problem with dumping garbage in the back of Capreol will get worse.

Another speaker from Table 6 advised that he is involved with Garson Baseball as well. They raised funds in the community and put in backstops, wiring and built their ball fields. Now the City wants to harmonize fees with everyone else in the community - \$50.53. He indicated that the City wants to raise taxes 8.5 % and perhaps this user fee should be raised by 8.5%, not 200%. With respect to closure of Vermilion Lake, Skead and Kukagami air ambulance night landing sites in the winter months to reduce costs by \$7,500, he felt this is a very important service and should be retained.

Another speaker from Table 6 pointed out that the Capreol Ski Hill was run by volunteers and since the City of Greater Sudbury has taken over they are now paying people to operate it.

Table 7

Table 7 remarked that user fees that are collected in Capreol should remain in Capreol. The speaker indicated he used \$25 worth of water and his waterbill was \$180.

Table 8

Table 8 questioned whether the increase in fees for soccer/baseball fields was due to increase costs in maintenance or in order to generate funds. They said that all Valley East and Capreol fields were established by volunteers in the community and this was probably not the case with the Terry Fox Field. They felt that funds could be saved if volunteers maintained the fields.

The General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services advised that the cost of lining and cutting fields has increased and user fees do not recover even a portion of field maintenance.

Table 11

Table 11 indicated that they are attempting to start a mixed league using the Capreol fields. Capreol has not had a ball league in three years and residents will not pay \$100.00 per person, but \$8.00 per game is better than nothing. They don't believe options for child recreation should be touched as there are families that cannot afford it. Stop taking the community services away from the youth and give them a place to be and it will reduce vandalism and mischief and reduce the need for additional police.

Table 12

Table 12 had no comments.

Table 13

Table 13 had no comments.

Question #3 & #4

***What service would you like to see improved or added?
Should the City borrow money and/or implement a special levy
to fix roads, repair arenas, replace fire trucks, maintain police
communications, etc.?***

Table 1

Table 1 had no comments.

Table 2

Table 2 suggested that if the Millennium Centre were open on Saturdays, it would pay for itself. They felt that if funding were increased for promoting and advertising leisure facilities and programs, they would pay for themselves. They said that the Snowboard Terrain Park at Adanac Ski Hill should be privately owned and not run or funded by the City. This table suggested adding an enhancement to extend and increase bus frequency to Route 704, Elm to Blezard Valley, as this bus is packed and by adding bus service additional people will use it and more revenue will be generated.

Table 3

Table 3 felt that services to be enhanced include police services and spring clean-up. City owned property should be taken care of but if the property is not owned by the city, the taxpayer should not pay for snow removal. With respect to enhancements, they indicated that it is critical that additional funds be provided to youth services and that additional funds also be provided for homelessness.

Another speaker from Table 3, indicated that more than \$1 million is being spent on lawyers in Toronto and he believes there are enough lawyers to do the work in Sudbury.

Table 4

Table 4 had no comments.

Table 5

Table 5 had no comments.

Table 6

Table 6 questioned how much money the City planned to borrow and at what interest rate?

Councillor Gainer advised that the City planned to borrow 6 million dollars per year at an interest rate of 3.5 to 4% over 10 years from OMEIFA.

Table 7

Table 7 felt that services should be returned to pre-amalgamation stage with respect to snow removal and road maintenance. They also said that tipping fees should be reduced. They questioned what the City's "rainy day" fund of approximately 60 million dollars would be used for and when it would be used.

Councillor Gainer advised that this information is available on the City's website. He explained some of the money is earmarked to projects that were started last year and were not completed, reserve on sick leave gratuities, etc. It was noted that approximately \$23 million of the \$60 million has been designated and it would take a motion of Council to change the remaining reserves being spent on roads.

Table 8

Table 8 had no comments.

Table 11

Table 11 indicated that they are against borrowing for roads. They stated that if we borrow, we are letting future generations pay for what we can't.

Table 12

Table 12 had no comments.

Table 13

Table 13 indicated that they know there will be a need for capital infusion for infrastructure and asked who will get what and when. They questioned when it is time for the Capreol lagoon to get realigned or replaced, what would the time frame be and will they have to pay for 30 years before they get what is needed.

Rating of Priorities

Each table was given an opportunity to rank each question in order of priority - from 1 to 5 - with 1 being the lowest priority and 5 being the highest priority. The purpose of this exercise was to give Council an overall guidance on how to address budget pressures facing the City.

The results are as follows:

Services should be reduced or eliminated.	15
Those who use a service should pay for the service (user fees).	35
Services should be improved or added.	54
City taxes should be increased to maintain services.	47
The City should borrow money and or implement a special levy to fix roads, etc.	26

Attachments

Charts showing the Rating of Priorities by Individual Tables and a Summary Rating of Priorities are attached.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Table 3

Table 3 outlined three ideas to save money and requested feedback from the citizens present. They indicated that the building where the Capreol Citizen Service Centre/Library is located is dilapidated and suggested it be closed and relocated to the Millennium Centre. Transit services to get to work in the morning are abominable and crowded. They requested that the rate be changed from an urban rate to a commuter rate. They also indicated that library hours should be increased.

Table 6

Table 6 questioned what the GST rebate would mean in the amount of dollars to the City.

The General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services indicated that the rebate is expected to be \$2.7 million.

Another speaker from Table 6 pointed out that the Seniors also use the building where the Citizen Service Centre/Library are currently located and they too will need a place should the building be closed and relocated.

Table 8

Table 8 advised that Capreol does have a Community Action Network (CAN) where ideas such as those mentioned by Table 3 could be discussed.

Closing Remarks

The Chair expressed his appreciation to all those who provided their input and stated that this was a collective opinion and it was important to receive some meaning to the submissions.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Councillor Gainer, Vice-Chair
Finance Committee

Planning Committee Secretary

Rating of Priorities: Individual Tables

	TBL1	TBL2	TBL3	TBL4	TBL5	TBL6	TBL7	TBL8	TBL9	TBL10	TBL11	TBL12	TBL13
Q.1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	1	2
Q.2	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	0	3	3	3
Q.3	4	4	2	5	4	5	5	5	5	0	5	5	5
Q.4	5	4	3	2	5	4	4	4	4	0	4	4	4
Q.5	1	3	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	0	1	2	1

SUMMARY: RATING OF PRIORITIES

	TOTAL
Q.1 Services should be reduced or eliminated	15
Q.2 Those who use a service should pay it (user fees)	35
Q.3 Services should be improved or added	54
Q.4 City taxes should be increased to maintain services	47
Q.5 The City should borrow money and or implement a special levy to fix roads	26

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**2004 BUDGET PUBLIC INPUT AND INFORMATION SESSION
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**St. Benedict School
Sudbury, Ward 5**

**Monday, March 1, 2004
Commencement: 7:45 p.m.**

Chair

COUNCILLOR DOUG CRAIG, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Caldarelli, Dupuis, Kett, Reynolds, Rivest

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; D. Wuksinic, General Manager, Corporate Services; C. Matheson, General Manager of Health and Social Services; D. Belisle, General Manager, Public Works; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; K. Khan, Business Analyst; A. Haché, Deputy City Clerk; K. Bowschar-Lische, Planning Committee Secretary

C.U.P.E. Local 4705

W. MacKinnon, President

News Media

MCTV

Welcome and
Opening Remarks

Councillor Craig welcomed the 34 citizens in attendance to the 2004 Budget Public Input and Information Session, Roundtable Discussions and Review of Budget Options. He advised the purpose of the meeting was to provide an opportunity for the public to give Council some direction on how they would like this year's budget pressures addressed.

Doug Wuksinic, General Manager, Corporate Services, outlined the format for the Roundtable Discussions to those present. He indicated that input was being sought on four questions:

1. What level of municipal service do you expect?
Should any services be reduced or eliminated?
2. Should those who use a service pay for the service (user fees) and/or should everyone share in the cost (taxes)?
3. What services would you like to see improved or added?
4. Should the City borrow money and/or implement a special levy to fix roads, repair arenas, replace fire trucks, maintain police communications, etc.?

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

Question #1

***What level of municipal service do you expect?
Should any services be reduced or eliminated?***

Table 1

Table 1 felt that there was a lot of information in the budget materials to review in a very short time. They indicated that some of the line items seemed piddly ways of saving a few dollars. It is important to think long term and keep Sudbury unique and closing museums will not achieve that. It is also important to keep downtown and all neighbourhoods accessible and reducing street lighting to increase policing does not make any sense. It is also important to take into consideration all neighbourhoods in the community and services should not be taken away from smaller neighbourhoods. Tourism has a large market potential and ways of increasing that should be investigated. They felt more opportunities should be provided to business and youth. If museums are closed to save \$60,000.00, we will never get back that collection of heritage which is unfair to youth in the City.

Table 2

Table 2 felt that the contents of the budget material were too complicated for the average person to comprehend. They indicated that an intelligent assessment of the budget information could not be done as the existing budget document is not readable or comprehensible. Dollars would be better spent in reorganizing the way we examine the budget. They felt it would be better to have service by service, department by department, analyzing where money is spent. Council should develop a policy for staff to follow when preparing the budget and staff should come up with new and innovative ideas in order to achieve savings. To increase salaries, wages, staff and have bonuses, as paid last year to the General Managers, is not the way to go and we have to start a new way of dealing with the budget.

Table 3

Table 3 felt that this was an exercise in futility. At one of the Council meetings, a 13% tax increase was mentioned. In 5 ½ years, taxes will double if this kind of increase continues. They said that Sudbury has one of the highest tax rates in Canada. How will we attract new business if we have one of the highest tax rates? They stated that people are on fixed incomes and can't afford anymore water and tax increases. They questioned, if school crossing guards or street lighting have to be eliminated as proposed, how can we afford 1,800 staff. If there is a decrease in population, then there should be a corresponding decrease in staff. In addition to losing the youth in our area, we will also lose the seniors if something is not done. They indicated that they only want what we can afford however do not want a reduction in service or an increase in taxes. They do not believe there is a correlation between reducing staff and reducing service.

Table 4

Table 4 indicated that they have read many Planning Reports and GSDC Studies related to tourism and felt that Council should look at services in relation to tourism. If roadside cleaning and other services are eliminated, tourists will not be attracted to Sudbury since it will be an unclean environment.

Table 5

Table 5 was vacant.

Table 6

Table 6 felt that there should be a moderate approach to budget cuts and it should not be a matter of cutting all or none. They questioned where the innovative ideas to budget cuts were. They indicated that thought should be given to new ideas to bring dollars into the City. The suggestions do not do anything to promote new streams of revenue for business growth but deter new business from setting up.

Table 7

Table 7 was vacant.

Table 8

Table 8 felt it was impossible to make decisions on 80% of the list of reductions in a 15-20 minute time period. They do not see any savings on the list. They cannot imagine eliminating snow removal and roadside ditching as being suggested. With respect to eliminating school crossing guards, we should pay volunteers \$5.00 - \$6.00 but that is not a suggestion on the list of reductions. A Sudbury Star article in tonight's paper indicates that Sudbury is the 7th most expensive city in Canada and 5th in Ontario to start a business. They realize there are infrastructure problems and the decision to borrow money has to be made - suggested Council should have started years ago establishing priorities. There is no suggestion on the list for a hiring freeze, not by layoff but by attrition. They indicated there should be no hiring of staff or consultants and could not understand the need to hire more staff as with amalgamation we went from 8 municipalities, 8 CAOs, etc. to 1 and haven't saved a dime. There are no suggestions about savings, putting funds aside for infrastructure and future planning. He suggested that Council look at overtime and part-time hours. This municipality is not growing – we are losing youth, closing schools, people are not staying in Sudbury and raising taxes and making it difficult for new business to start-up will not improve that.

Table 9

Table 9 felt that the budget materials should be available 2 weeks prior to the public input meetings. There is not enough information on the list to make decisions. They said that there is nothing on the list of reduction options showing the reason why more staff is needed to collect outstanding POA fines. They agree with reducing By-law Officers to two, if there are cost savings. There is no information being provided on the number of users of the TransCab service but if the ridership is low, then it would be a good idea to use large vans or small buses. They agree with the Clerk/Monitor position if it saves money and does not require a new hiring. They agree with eliminating surveys as there is nothing to warrant surveys and they questioned their benefit.

Table 9 (cont'd)

Table 9 also indicated there are 10 members on the Greater Sudbury Utilities Inc. Board. This is a very expensive Board and each member is paid \$8,500 per year, plus a certain amount per meeting. They indicated that they did not see too many names on the list of Members with knowledge of electricity. They said membership on the Board should be cut in half to 5. They felt that the Economic Development and Planning budget of 7 million dollars is overboard and wonders how much money they make for the City and the taxpayers.

Question #2

Should those who use a service pay for the service (user fees) and/or should everyone share in the cost (taxes)?

Table 1

Table 1 felt that the City is doing a reasonable job at offering services. They have some concerns with user fees. In some cases, user fees have their place. Baseball is a cheap sport to run, however, pools are very expensive and the number of people using the pools do not come near to covering the cost of operation and to download the full cost on the user is ridiculous. They stated that the City should be made bike friendly. They said that the City can't expect riders of public transportation to pay full user fees as many of the riders cannot afford to pay more. Many cities offer free student bus fares. They suggested that garbage and blue box pickup be once every 2 weeks. There should be incentives to recycle since many people still place everything in the garbage. They felt that user fees should be charged where reasonable and affordable but the entire cost of the service should not be downloaded to the user.

Table 2

Table 2 indicated we are a community and are willing to share the costs but there are areas where people are prepared to pay more in user fees. They do not believe the City is going about user fees the right way - there should be a rationalization of the process on the way the amount the user fee is decided.

Another person from Table 2 indicated that he just received his interim tax bill of \$50,000. He has no sewer and water and for the \$100,000 he pays in taxes he believes he should get something.

Table 3

Table 3 felt that user fees should not be applied to garbage or sewage, although they currently are applied to sewage. User fees for facilities should be reasonable but should not recover the full cost. We should not segregate everything by putting a special levy on garbage, burglar alarms, garbage, otherwise taxpayers will asked where their tax dollars are being spent. They indicated that user fees are taxes and they are not in favour of them.

Table 4

Table 4 felt that there must be some balance in user fees. Solid waste recovery at 100% of the cost is not reasonable. They said that we should think smart with respect to the transit system by planning around peak times and using smaller buses during slower periods. They said that in the past, the general principle was to place the property tax base on larger homes and higher income and put the funds towards the good of the community.

Table 5

Table 5 was vacant.

Table 6

Table 6 indicated that there should be a balance between taxes and user fees. There are arts groups and recreational programs who find it difficult to function. User fees are needed but if you charge too much they will not be able to participate in activities. They suggested a hard look be taken at what our tax dollars are actually being used for and assess that before talking about user fees. They felt that user fees must be fair and affordable and that we get some services for taxes paid. They indicated that open discussions should be held with community groups before any harsh decisions are made in the future.

Table 7

Table 7 was vacant.

Table 8

Table 8 indicated that they are against user fees. For example, solid waste user fees would only encourage people to dump garbage because they do not want to pay user fees and this would not serve the clean City we would like to have. User fees in recreational areas are not the way to go. Arenas and recreation facilities can be managed by volunteers to lower the costs. Harmonization of user fees is not the way to go. We have to promote quality of life and promote people to participate and this will not be achieved with user fees.

Table 9

Table 9 indicated that since they became part of the City of Greater Sudbury their taxes have doubled. They hope Council will consider seniors on small pensions. They said that if taxes are continually raised then the seniors will not be able to maintain their homes, pay higher taxes and will have no choice but to move.

Question #3 & #4

***What service would you like to see improved or added?
Should the City borrow money and/or implement a special levy to fix roads, repair arenas, replace fire trucks, maintain police communications, etc.?***

Table 1

Table 1 indicated that with respect to transportation and busing, there should be a shuttle bus on main routes with extensions to the colleges and universities. There should also be more transit services on weekends to increase ridership. They felt that sidewalks are needed between the Wanup General Store and Wanup Public School. They stated that the Sudbury Regional Hospital should be finished as soon as possible. Money should be borrowed wisely to invest in our community for roads. They said that in borrowing Council should use those dollars for increased opportunities for business and youth and increased accessibility for seniors but taxes should not be increased for short term gain.

Table 2

Table 2 agreed with borrowing intelligently and managing it carefully to improve infrastructure which has been neglected.

Table 3

Table 3 pointed out we don't have money for all the enhancement options and can't support spending more money. They are concerned about borrowing \$60 million. They stated that they have lived in this area for 50 years and the roads are no better or worse. They felt that a funding cap should be placed on outside agencies such as Police and Health Unit. They said that the Provincial government should be approached with respect to the proposed 25% increase in hydro rates. They are strongly opposed to borrowing and felt only what we can afford should be undertaken.

Table 4

Table 4 indicated that no one likes to borrow and that the City shouldn't feel comfortable being in debt. They indicated that there have been no tax increases for approximately 8 years. If money is borrowed, the City will be \$60 million in infrastructure debt and they questioned what the plan was for the next 10 years so there would be no problem in financing the debt. We need a long term plan dependant on what is important to the community and what it needs to attract industry and jobs, etc. They are not in favour of eliminating the City's participation in Earthcare, tree replacement/planting or the Lake Water Quality Program as this would not be good for the future. Sudbury is noted worldwide for their long term participation in these areas.

Table 5

Table 5 was vacant.

Table 6

Table 6 suggested that Councillors go back to the General Managers for realistic budget items and savings. A solid long term plan is needed that is sustainable and creates growth and once we have that, we can look at what we can afford and what we might have to borrow. With respect to enhancing services, they indicated that a lot can be done with the same or less dollars. Management should not present options without talking to City employees and employees input should be sought on how to save money. They also questioned how much money was in reserves and how much it would cost to fix our roads.

Mark Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer, replied that there is 63 million dollars in reserves.

Don Belisle, General Manager of Public Works, advised that 63 million dollars is required to complete all necessary road work.

Table 6 wondered why we need to borrow for roads if the City has the money in their accounts. The City should determine what the long and short term goals are - prioritize.

Table 7

Table 7 was vacant.

Table 8

Table 8 said that there is nothing wrong with borrowing as long as there is a short term plan to pay it back. There are many economies of scale which can take place before borrowing. They indicated that there was a resolution passed by Council in which Councillors could go to any meeting, conference, etc. with no ceiling on spending. They suggested that it would be more beneficial if a staff person was sent to the conference instead of Councillors in order to bring back reports. They stated that citizens the "Silver Seven" have spoken to in malls have no pride in Sudbury. When taxes are raised by 14%, they questioned who would want to move to Sudbury. It is difficult to attract new business to Sudbury because of its bad image. There has been 3 amalgamations in the area and they are prospering except for this one because there is a division between Sudbury and the outlying communities.. A climate should be created for people to come to Sudbury. Volunteerism has died because there is no pride. In a few years, seniors will be gone and they asked who will fill their homes as the young people will not be here. Inco and Falconbridge continue to downsize. They said that if the 63 million dollars is borrowed, a plan must be put in place. They advised that citizens have complained about the Mayor having 3 people working for him. They requested efficiencies.

Table 9

Table 9 indicated that they agree with borrowing funds from the Province at lower interest rates or using funds from reserves to upgrade roads. They indicated that they will submit other items of concern in written format. They also stated that the City is not senior friendly. They said that the roads should be repaired, especially major arterials. They indicated that not all manager positions are needed and Council should look at eliminating some of them.

Ranking of Priorities

Tables 1 and 9 submitted a ranking for each question in order of priority - with 1 being the lowest priority and 5 being the highest priority. Table 5 and Table 7 were vacant. A consensus on ranking each question was not received from the remaining tables.

The results of the ranking are as follows:

	<u>Total</u>
Services should be reduced or eliminated.	6
Those who use a service should pay for the service. (User Fees)	7
Services should be improved or added.	6
City taxes should be increased to maintain services.	5
The City should borrow money and/or implement a special levy to fix roads.	6

Attachment

Charts showing the Rating of Priorities by Individual Tables and a Summary Rating of Priorities are attached.

Closing Remarks

The Chair expressed his appreciation to all those who provided their input and stated that this was a collective opinion and it was important to receive some meaning to the submissions.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Councillor Doug Craig, Chair

Planning Committee Secretary

Rating of Priorities: Individual Tables

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Q.1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Q.2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Q.3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Q.4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Q.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0

SUMMARY: RATING OF PRIORITIES

		TOTAL
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Q.4	City taxes should be increased to maintain services	5
Q.5	The City should borrow money and or implement a special levy to fix roads	6

**2004 BUDGET PUBLIC INPUT AND INFORMATION SESSION
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Tom Davies Square
Sudbury, Ward 6**

**Tuesday, March 2, 2004
Commencement: 7:31 p.m.**

Chair

COUNCILLOR TED CALLAGHAN, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Dupuis; Gasparini; Reynolds;
Rivest

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; D. Wuksinic, General Manager, Corporate Services; D. Nadorozny, General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; T. Speirs, Chief Field Inspector; G. Prieur, CIP Facilitator; J. Bulfon, Foreperson/Inspector; D. Stefankow, Instrumentperson; T. Mowry, City Clerk; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

C.U.P.E. Local 4705

W. MacKinnon, President; F. Posadowski, Recording Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; MCTV; EZ Rock; CBC Radio-Canada

Welcome and
Opening Remarks

Councillor Callaghan welcomed the 41 people in attendance to the 2004 Budget Public Input and Information Session, Roundtable Discussions and Review of Budget Options. He advised the purpose of the meeting was to provide an opportunity for the public to give Council some direction on how they would like this year's budget pressures addressed.

Doug Wuksinic, General Manager of Corporate Services, outlined the format for the Roundtable Discussions to those present. He indicated that input was being sought on four questions:

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Question #1

What level of municipal service do you expect?
Should any services be reduced or eliminated?

Table 1

Table 1 felt that services should be maintained but reduce street lighting, crossing guards and implement the automated attendant telephone service for the Call Centre at Tom Davies Square. They questioned why the Greater Sudbury Police Services' allocation was so high. They felt that to keep the City's values up front, they would have to maintain a sustainable environment and maintain the quality of life for all citizens.

Table 2

Table 2 was concerned about the cancelling of City buses in Lively and Copper Cliff and felt that because everyone pays taxes, this should not happen. They stated that Council should take a closer look at in-house budgeting and decrease the use of vehicles, reduce the size of City buses, etc.

Table 3

Table 3 would like to retain the level of services that citizens are enjoying at this time but this does not mean that activities should not be reviewed. As a direction, they encourage the City to maintain the level of services but try to be more creative in approaching various tasks.

Table 3 also stated that the City should reduce the use of consultants and utilize the talent that is currently on the City's payroll.

Table 4

Mr. Jerry O'Brien informed the Committee that he had circulated a petition around the City regarding the hiring of more front line police officers. He stated that everyone who signed the petition would like to see more visible police officers because of the increase of break-ins and armed robberies. He obtained quotes from insurance companies within the City of Greater Sudbury and North Bay. He stated that house insurance on a \$100,000 home, in Sudbury, costs us \$202 more than insurance in North Bay. The reason being the police shortage in Sudbury.

Table 4 does not agree with the closure of municipal museums. This table felt that museums are a legitimate and a much needed extension of education. Museums enrich the community and help the economy by attracting tourism. They employ summer students who in return contribute to the local economy and helps to continue their education. In order for the City to instill pride in the community, they should promote the museums instead of closing them. If the City destroys museums, it sends a message to the volunteers and the children of volunteers, "volunteer efforts are and were worthless and the community has no use for you".

Table 7

Table 7 thought that most of the smaller items on the list should not be changed. They stated that Council should not reduce the level of service and should not close the museums and the facilities. They agree with the hiring of staff for the collection of the POA fines which would bring in a revenue of \$205,000. They also stated that Council and staff should explore ways of eliminating large costs of inspection and the supervising of capital projects by forming partnerships with contractors. The City should consult the private sector to see how they perform these partnerships. Table 7 also felt that the purchasing of preferred shares from Greater Sudbury Utilities Inc. is not necessary.

Table 9

Table 9 looked at the services that are to be eliminated and felt that it was not fair to the smaller communities. The smaller communities deserve equal treatment. Table 9 felt that there were safety concerns with the elimination of crossing guards. They agreed with the elimination of two By-law officers but did not agree with eliminating summer student jobs. They felt that a lot of the services could be provided by utilizing youth volunteers and workers from Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC).

Table 11

Table 11 consisted of citizens who represented the outlying communities, the Salvation Army and three different baseball leagues. They would like the City to maintain the level of municipal services. One question they asked was, "How is the City of Greater Sudbury going to harmonize the City with outlying areas regarding the care and maintenance of fields? How can you compare the fields in the outlying areas to the fields in Sudbury? They stated that their fields were upgraded previous to the amalgamation and that everything was paid for.

Table 11 stated they would like to see the transit system to continue operating in the outlying areas, and, also stated that the museums must remain open. They also would like to see how these are to be harmonized.

Question #2

Should those who use a service pay for the service (user fees) and/or should everyone share in the cost (taxes)?

Table 1

Table 1 stated that the City should implement and maintain user fees and that if citizens have more than three garbage bags, then a user fee should be attached to this. This table expressed their view that user fees should not prohibit children from taking the bus to the community centres; be involved in sports; and, participate in community activities.

Table 3

With the consensus of the table, Table 3 felt that some user fees are legitimate but within reason, meaning that any increases that could be looked at should be limited to the rate of inflation. The reason being that such increases could hurt the less fortunate to the point of eliminating them from being able to participate in activities. Table 3 felt that there was a basic public support for infrastructures but at the same time, they would only support a decent increase for those who use or benefit from these infrastructures such as arenas, pools, ski hills or playing fields.

Table 3 agreed with borrowing money only for roads. They felt that Council should make every possible effort to work with other municipalities to put pressure on the Provincial and Federal government to help the City of Greater Sudbury to meet the obligations they were burdened with by the amalgamation. They also stated that the CRF has not increased in the last six years which was to provide support for some of these obligations.

Table 4

Table 4 was concerned with the harmonization of minor sports playing fields in Rayside-Balfour. They stated that these fields do not have the same quality of service as the fields within the City and Council wants to charge the same price. They felt that this should be looked at and the increase in fees, in outlying areas, should be at the same rate as the fees within the City.

Table 5

Table 5 indicated that they were from a smaller community and that the services to the smaller communities were not equalized. They felt that the harmonization of user fees, especially when looking at baseball and soccer fields, would mean the equalization of services as well. They stated that they would be happy to pay double the price if they received the same type of service and the same quality of fields. They felt that it was important to continue to encourage wellness, health and fitness in the community. They indicated that many communities volunteer alot of hours and that they would continue, but they also need the City's support.

Table 6

Table 6 felt that user fees should be reasonable and that nothing should be done to harm the health, well being and quality of life in the City.

Table 7

Table 7 was not in favour of raising user fees at the arenas or pools because they were concerned that health costs would increase due to lower participation at these facilities. They felt that these services should be supported by a community tax levy. They stated that in order to decrease the costs or to get a better cost recovery from the arenas, the City should implement more creative ways by selling more advertisements at the arenas, licensing fast food chains to operate the concession stands instead of tendering them out, or look for corporate sponsorship that these facilities could be named after.

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Table 7 indicated that to recover the cost of Solid Waste, Council should investigate a bag tag system by giving each household a certain number of free bags per year and then slowly decreasing that number to a predetermined number. They felt that educating people about recycling would recover some of the costs and reduce the strain on landfills.

Table 9

Table 9 agreed with a full cost recovery for Solid Waste and agreed that the increase of user fees would encourage people to recycle more. They disagreed with the increase of user fees for summer day camps because some parents would not be able to afford them and felt that the children would suffer.

Table 11

Table 11 stated that those who use the services should pay for the services and that the increase in taxes should be shared. They are a group of three ball leagues who will be paying \$20,000 more for the fields used. They stated that there was many manhours of volunteerism put into the fields to bring them to the condition they are currently in. They also indicated that the fees are doubling in soccer, which is a sport that many children play, is a growing sport because the costs are lower than hockey or baseball, and by doubling these fees, it would eliminate some people from this sport. Table 11 indicated that some fields are in excellent condition and some are in poor condition. They felt that harmonization seemed to mean a climb upwards as far as bringing everyone into line with each other and felt that a pro-rated system be used by looking at the condition of the fields and implement a charge accordingly.

General Comments

Table 9 stated that if the large commercial chains were given the arena food concessions, then the non-profit organizations, that run most of the canteens, would lose their funding, which they use to service special people in the community.

Question #3 & #4

What service would you like to see improved or added?
Should the City borrow money and/or implement a special levy to fix roads, repair arenas, replace fire trucks, maintain police communications, etc.?

Table 1

Table 1 stated that the City of Greater Sudbury needs to improve their image to the rest of the province and nationally. The City needs to improve their recreation opportunities such as implementing more access to community centres for the youth of the communities. Table 1 felt that the City should look in-house for expertise, and refrain from hiring outside expertise. They felt that more should be done for the downtown core. They also felt that the City needs to support social services particularly mental health. They stated that mental health reform is taking place across the province and that cities need to recognize their role in the mental health reform. They suggested that the City must increase the

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opportunities for youth involvement, not only in processes like tonight, but also in decision making for other activities and decisions that are remained at the City. They felt that Sudbury should be more diverse and inclusive regarding immigration.

Table 3

Table 3 stated that they were overwhelmed by the length of the list. They stated that the City should review the current situation regarding handi-transit because the population is getting older and consequently there will be a progressive need for more of such services. They felt there was insufficient information on the current status of this service but they agreed there should be money available.

Table 3 felt that the Quarter Century & Retirement Banquet should be reinstated. They felt that the sum of \$15,000 should be found in the budget and that the City of Greater Sudbury should recognize this as a tribute of thanks for the employees' services.

Table 3 felt that the snow plowing and snow removal from church properties should be eliminated. They stated that a 'courtesy cleaning' in front of church property for funeral services is agreeable.

Table 4

Table 4 stated that a total for the amount of money paid into sewer and water charges has not been provided. The amounts in those accounts should be considerable. Therefore, Table 4 felt that the City's infrastructure should be somewhat taken care of.

Table 4 stated that because there were no increases in taxes in the past decade, it caused the City problems. They felt that if there were slight increases implemented, then the City would not be in the mess they currently find themselves. They indicated that they would like Council to inform the citizens where the City stands. They felt that there should be tax increases in order to maintain the current level of services.

Table 7

Table 7 stated that funding for beds, for the homeless, at the Salvation Army and L'Association des jeunes de la rue should be provided and that the breakfast program should be maintained. Table 7 also felt that there should be a reduction of Amnesty Saturdays from 4 to 2 with a reduction of \$100,000.

Table 7 advised the Committee that they represent the new Volunteer Centre and are requesting funding from Council. They stated that this was a service that should be added to the City of Greater Sudbury. They stated that in 2001 a report was submitted to Council from the Mayor's task force on Community Involvement and Volunteerism which identified that "citizens want an

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organizational structure similar to a volunteer bureau that can promote community involvement and volunteerism, provide excellent recruitment and marketing, deliver effective training and give award recognition." They advised the Committee that the services the City could not provide volunteers would step in. Volunteer Sudbury/Bénévolat Sudbury has been formed with a volunteer board of directors. They advised the Committee that the City took a survey on their behalf, surveying the general public and community organizations that are volunteered driven, and it was clear, even though there was only 53% respondents in the public survey, it was indicated that 65% felt that there was a need for a volunteer centre. 80% of the respondents from volunteer driven organizations agreed that a volunteer centre was needed for the community and 69% stated that we need volunteers continuously throughout the year.

The volunteer centre was achieved through a partnership with United Way, Meals on Wheels, Social Planning Council, Laurentian University and a dozen of other partners. The volunteer centre has a very strong support from the community. The number of volunteers have declined from 31% of the population to 27% and is decreasing. It works out that about 7% of Canadians provide 73% of all volunteer hours. This trend cannot continue, so we need to promote volunteerism. The volunteer centre know that most people have no idea where they can go to find an opportunity to volunteer and would turn to the City. They feel that their service would save the City some direct cost in that where services have to be cut back to meet budget needs, volunteers would step in and the volunteer centre would provide all that.

Volunteer Sudbury/Bénévolat Sudbury is asking Council for two optional proposals. They indicated that they have a contract with HRSD which will take them to the end of October, however, they are asking the City for an amount of \$15,110, which would provide for a service delivery person and a program delivery person, which would continue to the end of the fiscal year 2004-2005. They also stated that a volunteer centre isn't of much use if people were not aware of its existence and the decrease of volunteerism. They would need to promote volunteerism in the community, so they had a marketing professional make an estimate of marketing costs and is asking Council for half of the cost. They are hoping to achieve donations for the rest. They are requesting \$6,000 from Council for marketing fees with a total of \$21,110. They felt that it is a service most communities have and it has been offered in Sudbury before but funding challenges closed those services.

Table 9

Table 9 addressed the concerns from the Sudbury Arts Council. They would like the City of Greater Sudbury to encourage an umbrella for advertising benefits. Presently, there is no enhancement in the City's budget for advertising, and they would like to see unification involving the City, Sudbury Arts Council and other organizations. They felt that one umbrella would promote everything in the City.

Table 9 identified themselves as being the founder of "Save the Children, Stop Sexual Abuse" and asked Council to donate the \$1500 that would cost their organization for sign permits. Currently, they have 10-15 signs in the City of Greater Sudbury and 40 highway billboards from Sault Ste. Marie to North Bay and Manitoulin Island. The Ministry of Transportation's fees, for the signs on the highway, are \$110 per year per sign. The City of Greater Sudbury charges a one time fee of \$107 per sign. They advised the Committee that each sign costs \$1000 and their budget for last year was \$40,000. They are currently working with 68,000 victims, within the City of Greater Sudbury, and this number increases daily. They asked the Committee if the City of Greater Sudbury would donate the \$107 for each permit they would need.

Table 11

Table 11 stated that most shelters, like the Salvation Army, is operating at 1950 capacity and service and they need to come up to the year 2000+ service. They stated that the shelters are grossly understaffed and underfunded. They advised the Committee that the City of Greater Sudbury has helped one of the shelters with this year and last year's deficit, but stated that the other shelters are running big deficits as well and will not be able to survive if things don't change. They also advised the Committee that these shelters operate under unsafe conditions at night, with only one staff working at night. They stated that if things do not improve, there will be no shelters in the near future.

General Comments

Table 11 stated that they were present at the last set of Information meetings in January and presented a request for a budget enhancement and they are back to plead for a 100% of the requested \$336,457 funding needs. Their budget pressures focus on the operation of a shelter which consists of 22 beds for the homeless. They are asking for funding for 25 regular beds plus 10 emergency beds with a total of 35 beds. They stated that they require the full amount because anything less would put the operation in jeopardy. They need to have on hand staffing supplies and equipment to provide excellent services. They indicated that the one thing that was omitted, with the anticipated occupancy they find it necessary to increase the overnight staff from 1 to 2 for safety reasons and stated that other agencies have pulled out of the shelter operations for this reason. They will be adding 1.4 full time equivalency to their staff. They would like to continue with their services and fill the gap in women's and children's services but need to be adequately funded.

Rating of Priorities

Each table was given an opportunity to rank each question in order of priority - from 1 to 5 - with 1 being the lowest priority and 5 being the highest priority. The purpose of this exercise was to give Council an overall guidance on how to address budget pressures facing the City.

The results are as follows:

Services should be reduced or eliminated.	22
Those who use a service should pay for the service (user fees).	19
Services should be improved or added.	30
City taxes should be increased to maintain services.	35
The City should borrow money and or implement a special levy to fix roads, etc.	29

Attachments

Charts showing the Rating of Priorities by Individual Tables and a Summary Rating of Priorities is attached.

Closing Remarks

The Chair expressed his appreciation to all those who provided their input and stated that this was a collective opinion and it was important to receive some meaning to the submissions.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Councillor Callaghan, Chair
Finance Committee

Council Secretary

Rating of Priorities: Individual Tables

	TBL1	TBL2	TBL3	TBL4	TBL5	TBL6	TBL7	TBL8	TBL9	TBL10	TBL11	TBL12	TBL13
Q.1	2	2	1	1	5	1	2	0	5	0	3	0	0
Q.2	1	1	2	2	3	3	1	0	4	0	2	0	0
Q.3	5	3	3	4	1	2	5	0	3	0	4	0	0
Q.4	4	4	5	5	2	5	3	0	2	0	5	0	0
Q.5	3	5	4	3	4	4	4	0	1	0	1	0	0

SUMMARY: RATING OF PRIORITIES

	TOTAL
Q.1 Services should be reduced or eliminated	22
Q.2 Those who use a service should pay it (user fees)	19
Q.3 Services should be improved or added	30
Q.4 City taxes should be increased to maintain services	35
Q.5 The City should borrow money and or implement a special levy to fix roads	29

**MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE
CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

Thursday, December 18, 2003
Greek Garden
Barrydowne Road

Commencement: 12:15 p.m.
Adjournment: 12:40 p.m.

PRESENT Councillor T. Callaghan; Councillor L. Reynolds; J. Cameron; V. Gutsch; S. Roy

REGRETS K. Dopson; P. Reid; C. White

GUESTS Former Councillors L. Lalonde and M. Petryna

CITY STAFF C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; R. Henderson, Director of Libraries & Citizen Services; L. McAuley, Executive Assistant; R. Clouthier, Manager-North Citizen Service Centres and Neighbourhood Libraries; C. Zuliani, Manager, Library and Heritage Resources; M. Hardie, Manager-South Citizen Service Centres and Neighbourhood Libraries

CHAIR **TED CALLAGHAN IN THE CHAIR**

The Chair welcomed former Councillors Lalonde and Petryna and thanked them for their contributions over the past three years. The Chair also welcomed the membership in attendance and newly elected Board Member Councillor Reynolds.

**DECLARATIONS OF
PECUNIARY INTEREST** None

MINUTES The following motion was presented:

Gutsch/Roy Resolution 2003-20
That the minutes of the Twenty-First Meeting of the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board held on November 20, 2003, be adopted.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS On behalf of Mayor Gordon, T. Callaghan presented City of Greater Sudbury Certificates of Appreciation to the Board Members and personally thanked each member for their contributions during their 2001 to 2003 term.

REPORTS

Branch Space Needs Study Report dated December 11, 2003 from the General Manager of Citizen and Leisure Services regarding the Branch Space Needs Study was received.

Branch Space Needs Study Cont'd

T. Callaghan advised that the Branch Needs Study would be presented to Council in January, 2004. C. Hallsworth added that this report would set the course for City libraries for the next 10 years.

Cameron/Reynolds Resolution 2003-21
THAT the City of Greater Sudbury Public Library Board adopt the Final Library Branch Space Needs Analysis Report as submitted.

CARRIED

2004 Library Fines and Fees

Report dated December 10, 2003 from the General Manager of Citizen and Leisure Services regarding 2004 Library Fines and Fees was received.

C. Hallsworth reported that the City has a user fee policy which requires that all user fees be increased annually by the rate of inflation, except when measured in pennies, are deferred until the inflationary increase rounds up to the next nickel. The existing fines and fees rates have not been adjusted since 2001. J. Cameron asked how many replaced cards are issued per year and the associated costs.

Reynolds/Cameron Resolution 2003-22
THAT the Greater Sudbury Library Board adopt the 2004 Fines and Fees as submitted in the report from the General Manager of Citizen and Leisure Services dated December 20, 2003.

CARRIED

The 2004 fines and fees are attached as Appendix A. The Fines and Fees Policy will be amended to reflect the 2004 rates.

Public Libraries and Schools

Report dated December 9, 2003 from the General Manager of Citizen and Leisure Services regarding Public Libraries and Schools "Working Together" was received for information.

R. Henderson briefly reviewed the following programs that were offered in 2003 in response to input received from school board representatives at the October 2002 Library Board meeting.

- ▶ Early Years Initiative
- ▶ Principals' Meeting
- ▶ Class Visits
- ▶ Heritage Programs
- ▶ Teachers' Open House
- ▶ High School Preparation Program
- ▶ Battle of the Books

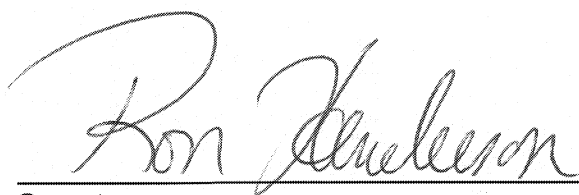
ANNOUNCEMENT

T. Callaghan announced that he attended a citizen service centre/library staff visioning session at the Trillium Centre on December 5th on behalf of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Cameron/Gutsch Resolution 2003-23
That this meeting does now adjourn. Time 12:40 p.m.

CARRIED



Secretary

Chair

Appendix A

<u>Material</u>	<u>2004 Fines/Fees</u>	
Adult Books	\$0.30/day	\$10.00 limit
Children's Books	\$0.10/day	\$ 5.00 limit
Cassettes & CD's	\$0.30/day	\$10.00 limit
Videos & DVD's	\$1.00/day	\$10.00 limit
E-Book Readers	\$5.00/day	\$50.00 limit
Magazines	\$0.30/day	\$10.00 limit
Audio Books	\$0.30/day	\$10.00 limit
Replacement Cards	\$1.00 (first replacement is free)	
Photocopy/Printing	\$0.25/page	
Facsimile Service	\$1.00/page	
Image Reproduction	\$2.00/image	
Microfilm ILLO	\$2.00/request	