THE TWENTY-NINTH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY

C-11
Tom Davies Square

Wednesday, April 23, 2008
Commencement: 7:00 p.m.

Chair
HIS WORSHIP MAYOR JOHN RODRIGUEZ, IN THE CHAIR

Present
Councillors Cimino; Barbeau; Berthiaume; Dutrisac; Dupuis
(D10:10pm); Rivest; Callaghan; Craig; Caldarrelli; Gasparini; Landry-Altmann

City Officials
M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; C. Matheson, General
Manager of Community Development; D. Nadorozny, General
Manager of Growth & Development; G. Clausen, General Manager
of Infrastructure Services; T. Beadman, Chief of Emergency
Services; M. Leduc, Acting Fire Chief; I. Davidson, Chief of Police,
Greater Sudbury Police Services; N. Lamy, Acting Executive Director
of Administrative Services; L. Hayes, CFO/Treasurer; R. Swiddle,
City Solicitor; R. Falcioni, Director of Roads & Transportation;
N. Benkovich, Director of Water/Wastewater Services;
B. Lautenbach, Director of Planning Services; D. Desmeules,
Manager of Housing Services; G. Lamoth, Manager of Communications & French Language Service;
I. Wood, Special
Advisor to the Mayor; S. Turner, Manager of Financial and Support
Services; S. Monet, Manager of Environmental Planning Initiatives;
L. Haslam, Lake Water Quality Program Coordinator; A. Haché, City
Clerk, L. Oldridge, Deputy City Clerk; K. Bowschar-Lische, Law
Clerk; F. Bortolussi, Council Secretary

C.U.P.E.
W. MacKinnon, President, CUPE Local 4705

News Media
Sudbury Star; CIGM; Persona 10 News; Le Voyageur; Northern Life;
CBC Radio; Big Daddy

Declarations of
Pecuniary Interest
None declared.

COMMUNITY DELEGATIONS

Item 4
Update on St.
Joseph’s Health
Centre - Proposed
Long Term Care
Home in Chelmsford

Briefing Notes were received from St. Joseph’s Health Centre
(SJHC) regarding their proposed Long Term Care (LTC) Home in
Chelmsford.

Sister Mildred Connelly, Chair, St. Joseph’s Health Centre, and
Joanne Palkovitz, Executive Director, St. Joseph’s Health Centre,
made an electronic presentation regarding the proposed Long Term
Care Home in Chelmsford.
Item 4
Update on St. Joseph’s Health Centre - Proposed Long Term Care Home in Chelmsford (continued)

Sister Mildred Connelly advised that St. Joseph’s Health Centre of Sudbury is a registered charitable not for profit corporation and she listed the board of directors.

Joanne Palkovitz stated that the aging population in the City of Greater Sudbury has increased demand on the current system. This is evidenced by the alternative level of care (ALC) crisis at the hospital, the City’s ambulance service overload and the long waitlists for long term care placement.

Ms. Palkovitz advised that, in response to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care’s 2007 LTC Bed Allocation Request for Proposal, they submitted and were awarded a proposal for a 128 bed LTC home in Chelmsford. She outlined the proposal including the financing of the estimated cost of $21 M. She indicated that SJHC can absorb a $13 M mortgage and requires $8 M in order to get a mortgage and meet monthly payments. They are approaching municipal, provincial, federal and private sector agencies for funding and requested Council’s assistance. She stated the proposal will assist in alleviating the ALC crisis, reducing LTC waitlists and reducing pressure on the City’s ambulance services as well as creating 160 jobs.

There were approximately 150 persons in the audience concerning this matter.

Rules of Procedure

Council, by a two-thirds majority, agreed to dispense with the Rules of Procedure, to alter the order of the Agenda and presented the Notice of Motion by Councillors Berthiaume and Dutrisac at this time.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Long Term Care Home in Chelmsford

The following Notice of Motion was presented by Councillors Berthiaume and Dutrisac:

WHEREAS there is a tremendous shortage of long term care beds and the average number of individuals on the waiting list in the City of Greater Sudbury has increased by approximately 111% in the last five years;

AND WHEREAS The Honourable George Smitherman, Minister of Health and Long Term Care announced the award of the tender for 128 long term care beds to St. Joseph’s Health Centre, which are to be operational in the fall of 2010 and which are to be located in Chelmsford;

AND WHEREAS the Directors of the charitable not-for-profit corporation, St. Joseph’s Health Centre, are committed to build a new Long Term Care Home in Chelmsford;
AND WHEREAS the new long term care home will create 160 new jobs and provide an annual $8 million operational budget to the local economy;

AND WHEREAS based on the consultant’s estimate, St. Joseph’s Health Centre requires $8 million to proceed to complete the project;

AND WHEREAS time is of the essence as St. Joseph’s Health Centre officials must come up with the $8 million before signing the contract with the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, which they are expected to do in the very near future;

AND WHEREAS St. Joseph’s Health officials are working to obtain funding from a variety of sources, including the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care and the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines through the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury has contributed and continues to contribute to health care projects such as the Sudbury Regional Hospital, the Cancer Treatment Centre, the Northern Ontario School of Medicine, the Sudbury Hospice and the Family Health Team;

AND WHEREAS other municipalities in Ontario have contributed toward capital projects for the construction of long term care homes operated by not-for-profit corporations;

AND WHEREAS St. Joseph’s Health Centre is requesting that the City of Greater Sudbury make a contribution of $2 million towards the cost of the project;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury authorize a one time contribution of $2 million from the City’s reserves, within the next four weeks, to the St. Joseph’s Health Centre capital budget to build the Long Term Care Home in Chelmsford;

AND THAT Staff prepare a report regarding this matter for the next meeting of City Council.

This motion will be dealt with by City Council at their meeting of May 14, 2008.

Councillor Cimino requested that the report include financing options, effect on the ambulance service, how many jobs would be created during construction, social and financial benefits, etc.

Councillor Callaghan requested that this report also include what would happen if SJHC does not proceed with the project.
Recess
At 8:08 p.m. Council recessed.

Reconvene
At 8:10 p.m. Council reconvened.

PRESENTATIONS
Item 5
Levack Water Supply Financing Plan

Report dated 2008-04-15 was received from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding Levack Water Supply Financing Plan.


The General Manager of Infrastructure Services outlined the project which has been ongoing since November 2003 when Inco advised they would no longer provide potable water for Levack. He advised of discussions with the federal and provincial governments regarding funding, discussions with Vale Inco to extend the deadline to December 31, 2009 and discussions with the Ministry of the Environment regarding this project. He provided a financial summary for the project with a total estimated cost of $18.5 M with an unfunded balance of approximately $14 M. He also advised of the expenses to date and of the funding required to complete the engineering services for this project. He stated it is essential to keep the same consultant so they can take responsibility for the work.

The General Manager of Infrastructure Services advised that the amount shown in the staff recommendation of $1.413 Million should be amended to read $1.221 Million.

The Financial Analyst presented the funding options and the repayment plans.

The following resolution was presented:

Berthiaume-Rivest: THAT Council select the Levack Water Supply Project as the “project of choice” for the next federal and/or provincial infrastructure funding initiative;

AND THAT Council approves Financing Option 3 for any financial shortfall that the City may have to cover for this project.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve Dennis Consultants, a Division of R.V. Anderson Associates Limited, as consultant of record for Engineering Services on this project as per their proposal estimated at $1.221 Million dated September 28, 2007 and letter of April 15, 2008, and all in accordance with the report from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services dated April 15, 2008.
Item 5
Levack Water Supply Financing Plan

With the concurrence of Council, Councillor Cimino requested that resolution be split.

The following resolutions were presented:

2008-141 Berthiaume-Rivest: THAT Council select the Levack Water Supply Project as the “project of choice” for the next federal and/or provincial infrastructure funding initiative;

AND THAT Council approves Financing Option 3 for any financial shortfall that the City may have to cover for this project.

CARRIED

Financing Option 3 provides for repayment from the existing capital envelope allocation.

2008-142 Berthiaume-Rivest: THAT Council approve Dennis Consultants, a Division of R.V. Anderson Associates Limited, as consultant of record for Engineering Services on this project as per their proposal estimated at $1.221 Million dated September 28, 2007 and letter of April 15, 2008, and all in accordance with the report from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services dated April 15, 2008.

CARRIED

The General Manager of Infrastructure Services advised that a report would be prepared with respect to a review of the strategy or policy on how engineering consultants are selected (sole sourcing).

Item 6
Winter Operations Monthly Financial Update and Update on Potholes

Report dated 2008-04-17 was received from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding Winter Operations Monthly Financial Update and Update on Potholes for information only.

Robert Falcioni, Director of Roads & Transportation, made an electronic presentation regarding an update on Winter Operations and potholes.

With respect to Winter Operations, he provided a summary of the 2008 Winter Control expenditures to the end of March 2008 resulting in approximately $140,000 over budget. He indicated that, as there has been less to average snowfall, snow removal operations is under budget. He further indicated that, due to the temperature fluctuation, sanding and salting and pothole maintenance is over budget.

With respect to potholes, he advised the increase in potholes is due to the aging infrastructure and the fluctuating temperatures. He advised many Ontario Municipalities are experiencing the same problem. He indicated that 1,524 tonnes of asphalt was used in January to March 2008 as opposed to 817 tonnes in January to
March 2007. He explained the difference between cold mix asphalt patching and hot mix asphalt patching and the patching process. He indicated that 311 is tracking the calls received regarding potholes and, as of April 9, 2008, they are tracking them by Ward. He outlined the four year funding implementation plan.

Mayor Rodriguez advised he met with the Honourable Stéphane Dion, Leader of the Opposition, and raised the Federation of Canadian Municipalities resolution requesting the federal government put back in place the 1% of GST being dedicated to infrastructure. Mr. Dion supports the proposal and recognizes the problems facing municipalities. The Mayor also indicated that within the next few weeks, action will begin with respect to mining resource revenue sharing by seeking support from other municipalities and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities.

Proceed Past 10:00 p.m.

Report dated 2008-04-16 was received from the General Manager of Growth & Development regarding Simon Lake Algae Blooms - Resonator Treatment.

Stephen Monet, Manager of Environmental Planning Initiatives, made an electronic presentation regarding Simon Lake Algae Blooms. He advised that the algae species in Simon Lake is not toxic but is odourous, prevents full enjoyment of the lake and reduces the use of the public park. He explained the suspected cause of the presence of algae bloom in Simon Lake. He outlined options for in-lake actions and control techniques such as artificial circulation, dredging raking and mechanical harvesting some of which did not solve the problem or had negative aspects. He continued by explaining the EOS 2000 Resonator System and results in locations where this system was used. He concluded by providing three options for solving the algae blooms problem in Simon Lake and the staff recommendation.

Councillor Berthiaume requested that the vote be taken (question) and Members of Council, by two-thirds, agreed to vote forthwith on the following resolution without further debate.
2008-144 Barbeau-Cimino: THAT Council approves Option 1, a lease to purchase two EOS 2000 Coherent Water Resonators for the purpose of addressing the recurrent algae problem on Simon Lake;

AND THAT funding up to a maximum of $320,000 for 2008 be considered an unbudgeted expenditure;

AND THAT staff identify a funding source for the 2009 expenditure of approximately $350,000;

AND THAT it be noted that the two resonators are being sole sources from WCI Environmental Solutions Inc.;

AND THAT staff be directed to seek outside sources of funding for the purchase of the two resonators.

CARRIED

PART I
CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda

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

2008-145 Berthiaume-Rivest: THAT Consent Agenda Items C-1 to C-12 inclusive be adopted and Items C-13 to C-16 be received for information only with the exception of Item C-3 as otherwise dealt with.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Item C-1
Report No. 28
City Council
2008-04-09


CARRIED

Item C-2
Report No. 29
Planning Committee
2008-04-15


CARRIED

Item C-3

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Item C-4
Report No. 3
PSAC
2008-04-15


CARRIED
Item C-5
GSPSB
2008-02-11
2008-149 Rivest-Berthiaume: THAT the Greater Sudbury Police Services Board Minutes of 2008-02-11 be received.  
CARRIED

Item C-6
Report No. 10
SMCB
2008-01-07
2008-150 Berthiaume-Rivest: THAT Report No. 10, Sudbury Metro Centre Board Minutes of 2008-01-07 be received.  
CARRIED

Item C-7
Report No. 11
SMCB
2008-02-04
2008-151 Rivest-Berthiaume: THAT Report No. 11, Sudbury Metro Centre Board Minutes of 2008-02-04 be received.  
CARRIED

Item C-8
SMCB - AGM
2008-02-29
2008-152 Berthiaume-Rivest: THAT Report of the Sudbury Metro Centre Board Annual General Meeting Minutes of 2008-02-29 be received.  
CARRIED

Item C-9
TOC
2008-02-29
2008-153 Rivest-Berthiaume: THAT the Tender Opening Committee Minutes of 2008-02-29 be received.  
CARRIED

ROUTINE MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Item C-11
Provincial Housing Grant
Report dated 2008-04-04 was received from the General Manager of Community Development regarding Provincial Housing Grant.
2008-154 Berthiaume-Rivest: THAT the Mayor acknowledge receipt of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing's correspondence dated March 31, 2008, which indicates a grant of $1,753,825 is available for social housing repairs;
AND THAT the Manager, Housing Services be authorized to sign any agreement with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing related to the grant and be authorized to distribute the funding in accordance to the grant program requirements;
AND THAT the appropriate by-law be prepared.  
CARRIED

Item C-12
Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Request for Nominations, Councillor Caldarelli, Board of Directors
Report dated 2008-04-17 was received from the Executive Director, Administrative Services regarding Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Request for Nominations, Councillor Caldarelli, Board of Directors.
2008-155 Rivest-Dutrisac: THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury endorses the nomination of Councillor Frances Caldarelli as a Director to the Board of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) for the term 2008-2009.  
CARRIED
CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Item C-13
Greater Sudbury Development Corporation Quarterly Update
Report dated 2008-04-11 was received from the General Manager of Growth & Development regarding Greater Sudbury Development Corporation Quarterly Update for information only.

Item C-14
2006-2007 Drinking Water Inspection Report Summary
Report dated 2008-04-18 was received from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding 2006-2007 Drinking Water Inspection Report Summary for information only.

Item C-15
Electronic Newborn Registration Service
Report dated 2008-04-11 was received from the Executive Director, Administrative Services regarding Electronic Newborn Registration Service for information only.

Item C-16
Affordable Housing Program Update
Report dated 2008-04-16 was received from the General Manager of Community Development regarding Affordable Housing Program Update for information only.

MINUTES

Item C-3
Report No. 27 Priorities Committee 2008-04-16
Councillor Rivest requested that Priorities Committee Item 4 (Sign By-law Review) be pulled and Recommendation 2008-18 be voted on separately.

2008-156 Cimino: THAT Council approve Option 2 that would allow all properties with street frontage as outlined in the Sign By-law to retain the maximum number of portable signs permitted by by-law without having to remove the portable signs for a three month period.

DEFEATED


CARRIED

Adjournment
In accordance with the Procedural By-law, the meeting automatically adjourned at 11:00 p.m. as unanimous consent of all members present was not received to proceed past 11:00 p.m.

Mayor John Rodriguez

Angie Haché, City Clerk

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