

# Sudbury East Municipal Association

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting

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### **1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM and roll call was conducted.

**Members Present:** Mayor Michael Reider (Killarney), President/Chairperson  
Mayor Paul Branconnier (St.-Charles), Vice-President  
Mayor Gisèle Pageau (French River)  
Councillor Monica Loftus (St.-Charles)  
Councillor Rachelle Poirier (Markstay-Warren)  
Councillor Renée Carrier (French River)  
Councillor Mary Bradbury (Killarney)

**Secretary:** Candy Beauvais, Secretary-Treasurer

**Members Absent:** Mayor Steven Olsen (Markstay-Warren)  
Councillor Dave Froats (Killarney)

**Staff Present:** Marc Gagnon – CAO (French River)  
Kim Morris – CAO/Clerk (Markstay-Warren)  
Denis Turcot, CAO (St.-Charles)

**Staff Absent:** Mélanie Bouffard, Clerk (French River)  
Tammy Godden, Clerk St.-Charles  
Gilles Legault, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer (Killarney)

**Others present:** Nil

### **2. WELCOME**

The President/Chairperson Mayor Reider called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and welcomed everyone.

### **3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**2024-05 Moved by: Renee Carrier**  
**Seconded by: Paul Branconnier**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

**5. PRESENTATION AND DELEGATIONS**

None

**6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**2024-06 Moved by: Mary Bradbury**  
**Seconded by: Monica Loftus**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes from the meeting held on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**7. STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Reports were provided by the following:

**7.1 Economic Partners Sudbury East-West Nipissing**

Representative: Councillor Loftus – St. Charles

- Strategic Planning was to be completed by the end of March but it was postponed. Looking at it in the Fall of 2025;
- Last quarter \$325,000 for renos/electrical in building;
- Economic Officer Position will not be funded;
- Next meeting will be in June.

**7.2 Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board (MSDSB)**

Representative: Mayor Olsen - Markstay-Warren - absent

Mayor Branconnier provided report for Mayor Olsen:

- Comments re Financial Audit Statements;
- A number of details added to the Procedural By-law;
- Quarterly report was sent out yesterday;
- Statement of Annual Reserves showing seven million;
- Indicated Federal/Provincial letters were contradicting each other;
- Child Care funding.

- On going is the recruitment and retention of ambulance attendants/moving from full-time to part-time;

**Note:** Mayor Pageau noted that 30 paramedics have graduated from College Boreal and that may help with recruitment.

Mayor Branconnier stated that they come up from the south and once they graduate they go back to the south.

**Note:** Kim Morris indicated that she was the Dean of Health Services at College Boreal and francophones that come from the North – now the program is free. It is a very intense program and more invasive that it was 20 years ago.

Mayor Branconnier said DSSAB is working more closely with the College trying to arrange incentives to keep paramedics in the north.

**Note:** Mayor Pageau – DSSAB Food Bank  
 60% of food was cut;  
 \$10,000 per month was cut down to \$4,000;  
 Will not supply juice boxes replaced with a 1 litre juice box;  
 Cut out everything not edible (paper towel/toilet tissue/deodorant/shampoo, etc.  
 Can SEMA challenge DSSAB?

Mayor Branconnier said they did give cards but now they go and buy supplies themselves.

**Note:** Councillor Bradbury indicated that schools are promoting refillable cups and trying to get away from juice boxes and reduce the waste;

### 7.3 **Public Health Sudbury & Districts (PHSD)**

Representative: Councillor Carrier – French River

Councillor Carrier spoke about:

- Immunization in the schools – PHSD do not give out cards any longer families are responsible to keep track of the needles that their children get;

**Note:** Mayor Pageau suggested SEMA invite the new Medical Officer of Health (MOH) to meet with SEMA maybe sometime in September.

**Note:** Councillor Carrier stated that the MOH is aware that Manitoulin Island/Cartier, etc. need to get to Sudbury for a dentist.

**Note:** CAO Turcot indicated that the HOH does want to come to a SEMA Meeting.

### 7.4 **Community Policing Advisory Committee (CPAC)**

Representative: Mayor Pageau - French River

Mayor Pageau spoke about:

- CPAC is no longer it will be replaced by a Police Board;
- SEMA will pay the dues to belong to the Board and Infrastructure Ontario will let us know if we can keep our officers in place. There is a posting for up to 5 officers to work in the Noelville area.

### 7.5 **Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)**

Representative: Councillor Carrier -French River

Councillor Carrier spoke about:

- The FONOM conference in Sudbury was sold out with topics mentioning
  - Dr. retention;
  - Wood industry (re shutdown in Espanola and other mills up north);
  - Train is coming back;
  - There was lots of information at FONOM;
  - Housing affordability;
  - Opioid crisis.

**Note:** Mayor Reider noted that at FONOM he was to meet with Minister Cho of the Ministry of Long Term Care. It was announced that Killarney was on the docket to receive a 14 bed Long Term Care Home for Killarney. It has been 2 years since the announcement and nothing has happened yet.

### 7.6 **Sudbury-East Chamber of Commerce**

Representative: Councillor Mary Bradbury – Killarney

Councillor Bradbury mentioned:

- Milestone Marketing/social media
- Women in Business
- AGM in October at the Art Gallery – is in the planning stage right now.

## 8. **CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

## 9. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- CAO Turcot asked if any of our municipalities would be interested in exploring taking over our own septic applications. It would reduce costs to our ratepayers and our municipalities could benefit from the revenue collected. Perhaps this could be brought to our council meetings in June for consideration.

Comments from members:

- Send to FONOM for support;
- Is SEBBS in favour of this move? -- Turcot indicated it was positive.

## 10. **NOTICE OF MOTION**

None

## 11. **ADDENDUM**

None

**12. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INQUIRIES**

Nil

**13. PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

Date: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 – 6:00 PM

Location: Via Zoom or “in-person” at the Municipality of Markstay-Warren

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**2024-07 Moved by:** Rachelle Poirier

**Seconded by:** Monica Loftus

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the SEMA meeting held via Zoom on May 24, 2024 be adjourned at 6:52 PM to meet again on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM or as otherwise specified. At the discretion of the Board the meeting may be held in person or via electronic means i.e. Zoom.

**Note:** *The Constitution indicates the September 25<sup>th</sup> meeting is to be held in the Municipality of Markstay-Warren if held “in person”.*

**CARRIED**

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Michael Reider, President/Chairperson

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Candy Beauvais, Secretary- Treasurer