

**Gogama Local Services Board**  
Monthly Board Meeting – December 1, 2016  
Gogama Community Centre at 7:00 p.m.  
**AGENDA**

**1. Call meeting to order and Roll Call – 7:14 P.M.**

**Present**

Tracey Smith – Vice-Chairperson  
Michel Veronneau – Member (via conference call)  
Mark Smith – Member  
Richard Gravelle – Member  
Christine Bedard – Secretary

**Absent with Regrets**

Mike Benson – Chairperson

Claude Secord – Member of the Public  
Gerry Talbot – Member of the Public

**2. Declaration of conflict of interest – To be declared**

**3. Acceptance of agenda**

Acceptance of the December 1, 2016 agenda was moved by Michel Veronneau and seconded by Richard Gravelle.

**Motion Carried**

**4. Acceptance of minutes**

Acceptance of the November 10, 2016 – Monthly Meeting minutes moved by Mark Smith and seconded by Richard Gravelle.

**Motion Carried**

Acceptance of the November 17, 2016 – Public 2016-2017 Budget Estimates meeting minutes moved by Richard Gravelle and seconded by Michel Veronneau.

**Motion Carried**

Acceptance of the November 17, 2016 – Special Meeting minutes moved by Michel Veronneau and seconded by Mark Smith.

**Motion Carried**

**5. Disbursements:**

**Monthly Budget Review**

The Secretary provided the Board with an updated monthly budget prepared by Bookkeeper, Ms. Natalie Gaudette. She reported that the changes agreed upon by the Board during the November 17, 2016 special meeting had been implemented and that, at this time, there were no other issues to report. The Board reviewed the budget update and agreed to accept it. Vice Chairperson, Tracey Smith, as acting Chairperson asked for a motion to accept.

Acceptance of the monthly budget update moved by Michel Veronneau and seconded by Richard Gravelle.

**Motion Carried**

**6. Asset Management Planning**

**Repair & Maintenance Review**

The Secretary provided the Board with copies of two spreadsheets, one **Maintenance Items – Major Capital** and one **Maintenance Items – Minor Capital**. She went on to explain that these spreadsheets had been created for the Board to be able to best view all maintenance items at a glance at every meeting. The items on the spreadsheet have been prioritized through the Asset Management Plan but can be re-prioritized at the Board's pleasure. The Board questioned what funds were available in the current fiscal budget to apply to these items and the Secretary advised that although some funds have been set aside for the purpose of repair and maintenance, the funds were meager at best and no surplus was currently available. The Board asked whether there existed some grants that could be applied for. The Secretary went on to explain that currently, there exists a Capital Assets top up grant of \$1.9 million dollars that could be applied for, however, this grant requires a community contribution of 10% which the budget does not have at the current time. Any carry over monies from the previous fiscal years was utilized in the 2016-2017 drafting/balancing of the fiscal budget. The Board discussed the matter further and directed the Secretary to

look for applicable grants in the \$50,000 – \$60,000 range whereas the community contribution was within an affordable range. The Board also directed the Secretary to look into Hydro rebates that could be accessed to change the current lighting to LED lighting and also to look into any funds that could be accessed from Ontario Disabilities. Having no further business to discuss regarding Repair & Maintenance at this time, the Vice Chairperson asked for a motion to accept the maintenance items spreadsheets and review them at every meeting moving forward.

Acceptance of the **Maintenance Items – Major Capital** and one **Maintenance Items – Minor Capital** spreadsheets and acceptance to review said spreadsheets at the monthly Board meetings moving forward was moved by Michel Veronneau and seconded by Richard Gravelle. **Motion Carried**

## **7. Unfinished Business**

### **7.1 Administrative Portfolio:**

#### **2016-2017 Contracts**

The Secretary updated the Board regarding the status of the 2016-2017 Contracts. She stated that currently, all 2016-2017 contracts have been signed and filed for the exception of the Garbage Collection & Disposal contract with Hotchkiss Forestry Enterprises Ltd. She further advised the Board that arrangement to wrap up this contract have been made with Mr. Hotchkiss and that the Board can expect resolution by end of next week.

#### **Issuance of contract retroactive pay**

The Secretary updated the Board that all contract retroactive pays have now been issued following contract signing.

- 7.2 Garbage Collection Portfolio: - None
- 7.3 Financial Portfolio: - None
- 7.4 Fire Protection Portfolio: - None
- 7.5 Library Portfolio: - None

### **7.6 Recreation Portfolio:**

#### **Moving of low water cut off valve**

Tracey advised the Board that the moving of the low water cut off valve at the Community Centre is still not complete. She suggested that the Board consider directing the Secretary to call for three (3) quotes from the surrounding area. The Board discussed the matter and agreed. Suggestions were made to have the Secretary call one local plumber (contact information to be provided to the Secretary by Board Member, Richard Gravelle) as well as Tisdale Plumbing & Heating and New Tin Shop from Timmins. The Secretary advised the Board that she will require specific furnace information prior to placing the calls. Tracey agreed to forward the information to the Secretary.

#### **Circulation pump replacement – hot water tank**

Tracey advised the Board that the new circulation pump for the hot water tank had been received and that the repair/replacement of said pump can now move forward. Board member, Richard Gravelle, stated that he would replace the pump the following day and that the issue should be resolved at that time.

#### **Purchase of spare replacement circulation pump**

The Secretary advised the Board that the purchase of a spare circulation pump had been made at the time of ordering the replacement pump for the community centre hot water tank. The spare pump has been stored in the furnace room for ready access.

#### **Community Centre Roof Insulation (RFT)**

The Secretary updated the Board on the matter of the current RFT. The Request for Tender was posted to the public on November 28, 2016, the deadline for questions from Bidders is December 8, 2016, the closing date for the RFT is December 12, 2016 and the public opening of bids is scheduled for December 15, 2016 at 11:00 A.M at the Board Office.

#### **Leaking vent – Community Centre hall**

Tracey advised the Board that as per the Manager/Custodian's report, there is a leak in the Community Centre hall coming from the vent. The Board discussed the matter and directed the Secretary to reach out to a few local residents within the community that would have the ability/expertise to quote the work. The Secretary will advise the Board.

7.7 Water/Sewer Portfolio:

**Manhole damage on Poupore Street**

At the request of the Board, the Secretary advised that other than the debris having been cleared from the damaged manhole, no other update is known at this time. At the last update, it was advised that a cement pad needed to be poured to repair the manhole. Richard Gravelle stated that he was unaware whether this had been completed but that, on behalf of the Board, he would go have a look and report an update to the Board on the current status of the manhole.

**IAMGOLD Conference Call**

At this time, Tracey asked the Board if item 8.8.3 on the agenda could be moved up as the IAMGOLD representative was expecting to call in between 7:00 and 8:00 PM and it was currently 7:35 PM. The Board had no objection to moving the item up on the agenda. Minutes of the conference call will be outlined at the bottom of these minutes.

**8. New Business**

**8.1 Correspondence:**

**- Notice of Release of the Chief Drinking Water Inspector's Annual Report 2015-2016**

Informational piece forwarded to water/sewer portfolio member, Mark Smith, and reviewed by the Board.

**- Upcoming Changes to O. Reg. 170/03**

Informational piece forwarded to water/sewer portfolio member, Mark Smith, and reviewed by the Board.

**- PLT Changes Announced in the Fall Economic Statement**

Informational piece forwarded to Administration portfolio member, Mike Benson, and reviewed by the Board.

**- MNDM Signed Funding Agreement Received**

The Secretary advised the Board that the MNDM Funding Agreement package that was signed and given to MNDM representative, Ms. Tallia Damini, on November 10, 2016 has been signed and received and that the Board can now move forward with the Request for 1<sup>st</sup> Payment which has been prepared so that the Board can meet the December 10, 2016 deadline.

**- Tender from Conseil des Services du District de Manitoulin-Sudbury**

Board Member, Richard Gravelle, advised the Board that he would bring this to the attention of the Fire Chief. The Secretary pointed out the deadline of December 7, 2016 for all Tender submissions.

**- AECOM – Project No. 60518592**

Informational piece forwarded and reviewed by the Board.

**- MOECC – Sample Results Gogama LSB Community Production Well (Sample date: October 18, 2016)**

Informational piece forwarded to water/sewer portfolio member, Mark Smith, and reviewed by the Board.

**8.2 Administrative Portfolio:**

**Community of Gogama Safety Plan**

A question regarding the Gogama Community Safety Plan made by a member of the public prompted the Secretary to recommend to the Board that the plan be updated with the new contact info as several things had changed since the last update in August 2015. The Board discussed the matter and decided they wanted time to review the document in its entirety. The Board will look at providing the Secretary with a draft of required changes by the next Board meeting.

**By-Law approvals**

Following the proposed user fees and budget estimates meeting on November 17, 2016, the Board approved the following by-laws;

Acceptance of **By-Law 2016-2017-09 – User Fees**, moved by Mike Benson and seconded by Tracey Smith.

**Motion Carried**

Acceptance of **By-Law 2016-2017-10 – Service Fees**, moved by Mark Smith and seconded by Richard Gravelle.

**Motion Carried**

Acceptance of **By-Law 2016-2017-11 – Service Contracts**, moved by Tracey Smith and seconded by Michel Veronneau.

**Motion Carried**

Acceptance of **By-Law 2016-2017-12 – OCWA Agreement**, moved by Tracey Smith and seconded by Mark Smith. **Motion Carried**

Acceptance of **By-Law 2016-2017-13 – Funding Agreement**, moved by Tracey Smith and seconded by Richard Gravelle. **Motion Carried**

Acceptance of By-Law 2016-2017-14 – OPTA, moved by Mark Smith and seconded by Richard Gravelle. **Motion Carried**

**8.3** Garbage Collection Portfolio: - None

**8.4** Financial Portfolio:

**MNDM Budget & 1<sup>st</sup> Request for payment**

As per the Northern Services Board Act, the Secretary prepared the Estimated Budget provided by the Bookkeeper, Ms. Natalie Gaudette and the 1<sup>st</sup> Request for payment information package for Board review, approval and signature. The Secretary explained to the Board that this package is required in duplicate and the deadline to send to MNDM is December 10, 2016.

Acceptance of the MNDM Budget & 1<sup>st</sup> Request for payment as prepared for the Board by the Bookkeeper and Secretary was moved by Michel Veronneau and seconded by Richard Gravelle. **Motion Carried**

**8.5** Fire Protection Portfolio: - None

**8.6** Library Portfolio: - None

**8.7** Recreation Portfolio:

**Health Unit Inspection**

Tracey advised the Board that on November 22, 2016, the Health Unit Inspector, Ms. Nathalie Barsalou, performed a routine inspection of the premises and found there to be some deficiencies that needed immediate attention. A report outlining the items in non-compliance was left with the Vice Chairperson, Tracey Smith, and a date of return was set for November 24, 2016. Ms. Barsalou did return on November 24, 2016 to verify the non-compliance items had been addressed, all items were found to be in compliance and a discharge report was issued.

**Raffle Draw License – New Year’s Dance**

Tracey advised the Board that the Recreation Committee had submitted their application for their raffle draw license, raffle to be held at the New Year’s Eve Dance. The application requires Board signatures before it can be sent out. The request for approval of the raffle draw was made by the Board on November 10, 2016.

**Recreation Committee Cash Advance – December 18, 2016 Bingo**

Tracey advised the Board that the Recreation Committee had requested a \$300.00 cash advance for their December 18, 2016 Bingo.

A motion to approve the \$300.00 cash advance to Cheryl Secord for the December 18, 2016 Bingo was moved by Michel Veronneau and seconded by Richard Gravelle. **Motion Carried**

**Repair of Sink in Community Centre ladies washroom**

Tracey advised the Board that as per the Manager/Custodian’s report, the sink in the women’s washroom had little to no water pressure. She went on to say that the Manager/Custodian did not take any of the valves or pipes/connections apart as she was afraid something would break due to the age of the pipes. Board Member, Richard Gravelle offered to have a look at it and suggested it was just likely a dirty screen. The Board agreed to have Richard look at it and advise the Board if it was anything more than a dirty screen.

## **8.8 Water/Sewer Portfolio:**

### **Portfolio Reassignment**

At the November 10, 2016 meeting, Board Member, Mark Smith requested that the Board consider his request to take on the water/sewer portfolio on his own and to have Michel Veronneau continue on with the Garbage Collection & Disposal portfolio. The Board had decided to table the matter for discussion to this Board meeting whereas Michel would be present. The Board discussed the matter informally and took an interim email vote to approve the portfolio change. Tracey asked for a formal motion to that effect.

A motion to approve the change in the water/sewer portfolio from Michel Veronneau (primary) and Mark Smith (secondary backup) to Mark Smith – Water/Sewer Portfolio and Michel Veronneau Garbage Collection & Disposal Portfolio was moved by Michel Veronneau and seconded by Richard Gravelle. **Motion Carried**

### **Water valve repair – MNR Building 11–Minisinakwa Road**

Mark Smith updated the Board on the matter of the water valve repair at the MNR Building 11 on Minisinakwa Road. He went on to advise the Board that OCWA was called out to close the water valve at the road due to a water main break inside the building. At this time, OCWA confirms that the water main has been repaired and the water valve at the road has been turned back on. The Board discussed the matter of billing MNR for OCWA's call but since OCWA is not billing the LSB for the call out as it was an emergency, the LSB will not be billing MNR.

### **Conference Call – IAMGOLD**

The IAMGOLD conference call took place earlier in the meeting. The call began at 7:36 PM and concluded at 8:25 PM whereas the Board continued with addressing the agenda items as outlined. Claude Secord, member of the public, and Gerry Talbot, member of the public as well as representative for the Chamber of Commerce, were present for the conference call and left the meeting at the call's conclusion at 8:25 PM. The minutes of the conference call are as follows;

The call began with a round table of introductions at 7:36 PM whereas Mr. Stephen Crozier was introduced to the group. Mr. Crozier went on to state that IAMGOLD was in need of the community of Gogama's help to continue their on-going process of appeal to the MOECC. Mr. Crozier provided the group with a back drop of information stating that Cote Gold had been acquired in 2012 and that this process had been ongoing since 2013. Mr. Crozier states that there appears to be a problem with the EA as the Ministry seems to have concerns however, no specifics are being given.

IAMGOLD is asking for the community's support in elevating awareness and appealing for a decision whether that decision is positive or negative. The community's help in advocating on behalf of the project for a fair and equitable treatment under the law is their only agenda in this matter.

IAMGOLD has provided copies of the correspondence between themselves, MOECC and the First Nations, more specifically; the first two are letters from MOECC to Mattagami and Flying Post regarding the draft conditions for the EA review. In the July 25<sup>th</sup> letter, MOECC outlines four proposed additional conditions designed to address some of the concerns they identified relating to wildlife monitoring and on-going consultation with the Wabun communities. MOECC did not ask for feedback on the new conditions in its July 25<sup>th</sup> letter. Neither Mattagami nor Flying Post issued any further response or objection following receipt of the July 25<sup>th</sup> letter. IAMGOLD subsequently directly communicated to the communities that they had no concern with these additional conditions. On November 18<sup>th</sup>, with no advance warning or explanation, MOECC issued a follow up letter to the Wabun communities inviting additional comment, setting a deadline of Dec 19<sup>th</sup> for their response and reminding them (as was stated in the July 25<sup>th</sup> letter) that the Minister was not required to accept the conditions as proposed. Aside from this letter, there has not been any further engagement between MOECC and either Mattagami or Flying Post regarding the proposed conditions.

The other two letters relate largely to Métis rights within the traditional territories of Mattagami and Flying Post. In their June 21<sup>st</sup> letter, the Wabun communities essentially allege that the failure of the Crown to conduct a strength of claim analysis on Métis rights within their traditional territories amounted to a breach of the duty to consult those same communities. The crux of their argument is that this failure makes it "impossible" to

conclude a fair agreement with IAMGOLD, the proponent of the project. Respectfully, as outlined in IAMGOLD's response dated July 19<sup>th</sup>, IAMGOLD disagreed and outlined their position as to why this concern could not and should not delay issuance of a decision on the EA by MOECC. On the substance, IAMGOLD sympathizes with the communities and indicated that they would be fully supportive of the Crown conducting such a strength of claim analysis, as it would certainly assist them in their engagement efforts with these communities. However, IAMGOLD does not believe that this concern represents a basis to delay issuance of an EA decision since the issues relating to relative rights of potentially impacted communities fall well outside of the scope of an EA review.

Having said this, Mr. Crozier opened the floor to questions from the group in an effort to clarify any ambiguous areas. The questions and answers were as follows;

**Question from Gerry Talbot, representing the Chamber of Commerce:** Are there any objections to the community going the "political" route with this?

**Answer from Mr. Crozier:** Not at all, in fact, IAMGOLD has reached out to France Gelinas, Micheal Mantha and Gilles Bisson on the matter and he is willing to forward YouTube posts from the House (Minister Murray). IAMGOLD will be providing Micheal Mantha with an additional list of questions to bring to the House when next they rise.

**Question from LSB Board Member, Mark Smith:** Is IAMGOLD expecting the community and its agencies' support via letters, petitions, or other methods?

**Answer from Mr. Crozier:** IAMGOLD is looking for the community's support via calls to the Ministry from the community's agencies such as the ones at the table tonight, the Local Services Board, the Chamber of Commerce and members of the public who are being represented tonight by Mr. Claude Secord. Letters will come later.

**Statement from Gerry Talbot representing the Chamber of Commerce:** "I will be bringing this back to the Chamber Board and have no doubt that the Chamber of Commerce will be supportive of this. Currently, the Chamber is entertaining an Economic Development project that aligns with this. The Chamber will place the calls to the MPP and reach out on the Provincial side to Mr. Marc Serre as he chairs the Northern Caucus."

**Additional comment from Mr. Crozier:** "IAMGOLD will be meeting with Mr. Serre next Thursday, December 8, 2016."

**Statement from Gerry Talbot representing the Chamber of Commerce:** "The movement of this project means the future of this town and I am sure the community is committed to seeing this through."

Mr. Crozier went on to say that after the closure of the public comment period in July, MOECC went back and discussed issues but made no issues known. The MOECC is being very closed about the subject. Mr. Crozier urged the group to review the letters included in the package from MOECC, Mattagami First Nations and Flying Post. He states that there has been some change over within the Wabun Tribal Council, which may speak to why some things have 'fallen through the cracks.' IAMGOLD is concerned on how MOECC is handling, or "not handling" the responses and are setting short and even unrealistic deadlines for questions from surrounding communities. IAMGOLD states that in their opinion, this is not an MOECC standard process which leaves IAMGOLD perplexed and concerned. The only item IAMGOLD is concerned with is the MOECC's letter to the MNO (Metis Nations of Ontario)... are they playing the blame game? IAMGOLD has been extremely candid with communities on this issue.

**Question from LSB Board Member, Mark Smith:** When was all this due?

**Answer from Mr. Crozier:** The closure of the public comment period was July 22<sup>nd</sup>. It is not unusual to see such a process go over time but never by this much. The new deadline has been set to December 19, 2016.

**Question from Gerry Talbot, representing the Chamber of Commerce:** Are Mattagami First Nation and Flying Post also willing to make these calls?

**Answer from Mr. Crozier:** Yes, Mr. Shawn Batise, Executive Director of the Wabun Tribal Council has stated to IAMGOLD that he “plans on it as they support the project regardless of their own concerns.”

**Question from Gerry Talbot, representing the Chamber of Commerce:** Will IAMGOLD advise the community and the agencies present on this call when the letter campaign needs to start?

**Answer from Mr. Crozier:** Yes, absolutely.

**Question from Gerry Talbot, representing the Chamber of Commerce:** Will IAMGOLD agree to keeping both the Chamber of Commerce and the Local Services Board in the loop as things progress and develop?

**Answer from Mr. Crozier:** Yes. IAMGOLD is committed to transparency and keeping all lines of communication open and would ask that the same be said of the Chamber and LSB.

**Question from Gerry Talbot, representing the Chamber of Commerce:** Is IAMGOLD at a point in the process whereas the media can be involved?

**Answer from Mr. Crozier:** IAMGOLD would like the community and its agencies to hold off media relations for now until further notice. IAMGOLD does not want this to be viewed negatively by anyone, most certainly not the Ministries involved. Mr. Crozier stated that he will be reaching out to his superiors for their input on the matter and will be getting back to the group.

Having no further questions from the group at this time, Mr. Crozier advised that should any additional questions ensue, anyone could feel free to forward them to him and he would endeavor to answer as clearly as possible and ensure all parties are privy to both the question and answer.

The conference call concluded at 8:25 PM. Both, Claude Secord and Gerry Talbot excused themselves from the meeting and left at this time.

## 9. Deputations or Delegations or Discussion from the floor

### Secretary extra hours

The Secretary asked the Board to consider her request to be paid for the 3 extra hours worked earlier today. The additional hours were required in order to put together the MNDM 1<sup>st</sup> request for payment package so that it would be ready for signing at the Board meeting. The Secretary went on to explain that the deadline for submission is December 10, 2016 and that the next Board meeting was scheduled for January 5, 2017. The Board discussed the matter and approved the 3 extra hours to be paid.

A motion to approve the three extra hours of work done on December 1, 2016 for the Secretary at her regular contract wage was moved by Mark Smith and seconded by Michel Veronneau. **Motion Carried**

## 10. Adjournment

Having no more business to discuss, the Vice Chairperson asked for a motion to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 PM was moved by Mark Smith and seconded by Michel Veronneau. **Motion Carried**

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**Christine Bedard**  
Secretary

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**Tracey Smith**  
Vice Chairperson