



# 2023 Annual General Meeting

March 22, 2023

7:00 to 8:30 pm – Approved Minutes/Action Items

*We live and work in N'Swakamok / Sudbury in Robinson-Huron Treaty territory and on the traditional lands of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek and Wahnapiatae First Nation.*

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Meeting Start: 7:00 pm

1. Introductions, Roll Call and Approval of Agenda

- Land Acknowledgement: “We would like to recognize that we are meeting on the territory of the Robinson Huron Treaty of 1850 and that the City of Greater Sudbury exists within and adjacent to the lands of the Atikameksheng Anishnawbek, Wahnapiatae First Nation and Sagamok Anishnawbek. I would also like to recognize the impact of the Metis and Inuit people on the development of our community.”

2. Annual Report

- The Chair, Rachelle Niemela, presented the annual report.

3. Executive Elections

- Process followed: people nominated or self-nominated on-line; nominations were open from March 13 to 17 – a week for residents to put forth their nomination. Only one person registered per position.
- **Motion:** that the following individuals be acclaimed to positions for two-years as follows:
  - Chair: Rachelle Niemela
  - Vice Chair: James Mealin
  - Treasurer: Patrick McCoy
  - Secretary: Theresa Anderson-Butcher

**Motion passed unanimously.**

- Future Action: The CAN Terms of Engagement/Reference sub-committee in working on providing additional guidelines to clarify items not covered in the City’s Standard Operating Guidelines, including governance processes, and more clearly defined definitions and roles for the Executive Committee and members.

**Motion:** Request to operate with an extended executive committee to better support the work of the Executive Committee, with the following individuals serving as Executive Committee Members: Maria Bozzo, Mary Morrier, Bill McElree, Elyse Greenslade.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

- Visioning session in the near future

#### 4. Greater Sudbury Police Services Report

- Justin Lucien, Community Resource Unit, provided some updates and answered questions from the audience. Brief notes:
  - Better able to do pro-active policing – focus on hot spots
  - Bicycles and trails – mostly downtown – decrease in crime by 40% than same time last year
  - Online reporting – **report anyway better safe than sorry** – use the reporting portal
  - Trends: report break and enter to detached garage and sheds – after the fact – or call non emergency line – fraud – stolen debit – graffiti, harassing texts, mischief to property – sexual assault – threats to person – report after the fact – after heat of the moment – vulnerable person’s registry – dementia, autism, Alzheimer’s – tracking bracelet for the vulnerable – only active when they are missing
  - Lock it or lose it – if you don’t lock it, you will lose it – people always checking sheds
  - Crime report for New Sudbury
    - Cambrian Westmount – stolen vehicle, shoplift on Lasalle Blvd (pretty quiet area)
    - Moonlight – a couple of suspicious people
    - Shoplifts in Kingsway stores
    - Montrose Woodbine – stolen car – known to each other
    - Grab and dash while putting groceries in car at New Sudbury grocery stores – purse theft – few weeks ago but no recent occurrences
  - Report suspicious activity – frequent and different cars at a house – random
  - Assault downtown – March 21, 2023 – caught three within 18 hours
  - Question: Cameras for speeding coming from council in addition to red light cameras – this is a city project
  - Question: fender bender, no police present – how do we know impaired? Tow truck driver usually informs. Most fender-benders are more serious when impaired driver involved. – if you suspect, get licence plate and report

#### 5. Special Presentation – Slide deck

- Special Guest: Nathalie Whistle, Manager of Collections and Environmental Services (Solid Waste Management)
- Currently working on Sustainable Waste Strategy – what would we like to see and what can we do moving forward to support
- Division responsible for Collection, Landfill, Toxic Taxi, Recycling Services
- Landfills have about a 25-year remaining life span, but we also have options:
  - Diversion programs assist with extending the useful life; i.e. Divert mattresses – take away three years of landfill life—de-construct and recycle components
  - 45% residential garbage can be diverted still
- Provincial programs: Not everything has a program in Sudbury—province is introducing producer responsibility – making them manage their own waste – eg producers of cans, bottles, plastic materials
  - Tires are now producer managed – where you buy a tire, you return to dispose
  - Other hazardous waste – batteries
  - Drop off depot for recycling and return fees
  - Need to deal with contamination eg pie box – film on top contaminates paper box recycling
- Zero Waste at the individual level – at place of purchase – buyer makes a difference
  - Fix the unfixable – manufacturer to provide replacement parts – don’t throw it out – fix it

- Reusable bags – need to re-use – why can't they be easier to recycle – bags are garbage after re-use – can it be compostable
- Community Energy and Emissions Plan (CEEP) is City's climate change mitigation plan, moving towards net zero emissions
  - Solid waste goals – 90% solid waste diversion for solid waste by 2050 – ambitious goal to be achieving - solid waste master plan
  - Anerobic bio solids waste facilities – ie. Kelly Lake solid waste plant to sort organic sediment from plastic and non compostable waste
- Possible to ban grass clipping collection – mulch and return to lawns
- Community waste management systems – correct, collect and guide via surveys to create 10 year plan – maximize diversion – landfill life can be extended as long as possible
- Project phases presented.
- Incinerator plant, and rising costs to residents - what are the costs to other solutions/options – not necessarily dollar but service decrease or burden on the resident to sort, to change purchasing habits
  - Diversion programs cost – who bears the cost – financial, resources, transportation.
  - Public consultation will be done in various ways

#### 6. Councillor Report

- Councillor Sizer was unable to attend due to a last minute conflict.

#### 7. Adjournment/Next meeting

- Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm. Next CAN meeting on April 19, including our first 2023 visioning session.