

**THE TWENTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE  
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Council Chamber  
Tom Davies Square**

**Monday, September 22, 2003  
Commencement: 7:12 p.m.**

Chair

**DEPUTY MAYOR DAVE COURTEMANCHE, IN THE CHAIR**

Present

Councillors Bradley; Callaghan; Craig; Davey (D10:45 p.m.); Dupuis (D9:45 p.m.); Gainer; Lalonde; McIntaggart; Petryna (D10:50 p.m.); Portelance; Mayor Gordon (D7:55 p.m.)

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; R. Carré, Director of Leisure, Community & Volunteer Services; D. Nadorozny, General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services; C. Sandblom, General Manager of Health & Social Services; D. Wuksinic, General Manager, Corporate Services; R. Swiddle, Director of Legal Services/City Solicitor; D. Belisle, General Manager of Public Works; T. Beadman, Acting General Manager of Emergency Services; S. Jonasson of Finance/City Treasurer; P. Graham, Plants Engineer; D. Canniff, Risk Management/Insurance Officer; P. McCauley, Communications Officer; C. Ouellette, Director of Children Services; C. Coulombe, Community Action Network Facilitator; J. McKechnie, Executive Assistant to the Mayor; T. Mowry, City Clerk; F. Bortolucci, Receptionist/Stenographer; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

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Declarations of  
Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

Opening Remarks

The Committee concurred with a request by the Chair to reorder the Agenda as follows: Item 3 (Sports Council), Item 4 (Minnow Lake Community Action Network), Item 5 (Snow Removal - Parking Lots & Street Frontages), Item 2 (Analysis of Organizational Alternatives for Environmental Innovation and Energy Initiatives).

**PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

Item 2  
Sports Council

An electronic presentation was made by Mr. Dan Lee and Mr. John Roberts of Greater Sudbury Sports Council.

The following members of the Steering Committee for SportLink were present:

- Bill McKetsy
- Dan Yachuk, Community Development Officer, CGS
- Blaine Smith, Vice-President, Sudbury Wolves
- Paul Finley, Economic Development & Planning Dept., City of Greater Sudbury

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- Lionel Courtemanche, Working Chair, SportLink
- Gord Appoloni, Ontario National Training Centre
- Peter Merritt, Ministry of Tourism & Recreation

Mr. Lee discussed the following:

- history
- mission statement
- vision
- opportunity
- values & guiding principles
- goals & objectives
- membership benefits
- Board of Directors
- action plan

The following recommendation was read:

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AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury is committed to promoting the well-being of our citizens in a healthy, safe and stimulating community that is a highly desirable place to live, work, study and play,

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury continues to work to develop new partnerships and innovative strategies in support of an active and attractive community,

AND WHEREAS the concept of one community voice for sport that promotes equal access to sport opportunities and that uses volunteerism to enhance the delivery of sport and provide an opportunity for personal growth and development is supported by the principles of the Healthy Community movement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury endorse the creation of the City of Greater Sudbury Sport Link and further that the City of Greater Sudbury commit to working with this community partner in fulfilling the goals and objectives of the Sudbury Sports Link and support its efforts to access funding from service levels of Government.

Friendly Amendment

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Portelance asked that the wording in the last paragraph be changed to read “and objectives of the **Greater** Sudbury Sports Link and support its efforts to access funding from **other** levels of Government”.

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Recommendation  
Amended

**RECOMMENDATION #1 2003-53: Moved by Councillor Portelance:**

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**CARRIED**

**RECOMMENDATION #2 - 2003-54: Moved by Councillor Dupuis:**

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury has a rich heritage of sports and athletic achievement;

AND WHEREAS recognizing the accomplishments of our athletes and preserving our local sporting artifacts is important;

AND WHEREAS SportLink supports and promotes the establishment of a Sports Hall of Fame;

AND WHEREAS a committee is being formed to pursue the establishment of a Sports Hall of Fame;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council supports, in principle, the development of a Sports Hall of Fame for the City of Greater Sudbury.

Item 3  
Minnow Lake  
Community Action  
Network

The Chair advised the Committee that Mr. Bob King could not be present tonight and the electronic presentation would be made by Mr. John Lindsay, Co-chair, Minnow Lake CAN.

The following items were discussed:

- history of Minnow Lake Community Action Network
- site plan for Minnow Lake Place
- skate board park update
- hiking trail plans mapped
- three lane review
- bike lane recommendations

Councillor Portelance requested that a concept for a healthy community be imbedded into the Official Plan.

Councillor Lalonde also requested that the bicycle lanes be implemented into the Official Plan if and when they are approved.

The Chair confirmed with General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services a Transportation Study will be included as part of the Official Plan. This study would address the issue of bicycle lanes.

Item 4  
Snow Removal -  
Parking Lots & Street  
Frontages - Churches  
and Community  
Facilities

Report dated 2003-09-17 from General Manager of Public Works regarding Snow Removal - Parking Lots & Street Frontages - Churches and Community Facilities was received.

Deputy Mayor Courtemanche invited anyone to address the Committee once the General Manager of Public Works speaks. Mr. Belisle briefly explained the history.

The following people came forward to address the Committee regarding their opposition to the cancellation of snow plowing of parking lots and street frontages for churches and community service organizations.

- Mr. Bill Hedderson, Onaping Falls Pastoral Charge Official Board
- Dave Nichol, Waters Mennonite Church, Lively
- Paul Labelle, Holy Trinity Church, Sudbury
- Ron McCue, St. John the Evangelist Church, Garson
- Bill Hayes, President, Skead Seniors' Club
- Gerard Lachance, St. Christopher's Catholic Church, Whitefish

General Manager of Public Works advised the Committee there are some communities who have legal documents that address the

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issue of plowing and these documents will be honoured by the City of Greater Sudbury.

The following recommendation was presented:

**Moved by Bradley:**

As a result of the significant costs and service disruptions on public roads associated with plowing private parking lots and street frontages for churches and community service organizations, it is recommended that the City of Greater Sudbury discontinues providing these services effective November 1, 2003.

**DEFEATED**

The following recommendation was presented:

**RECOMMENDATION 2003-55: Moved by Councillor Portelance:**

THAT until a policy is developed regarding snow plowing for churches, synagogues, and community service groups, the City of Greater Sudbury shall continue to provide for this service.

**CARRIED**

Change of Chair

At 9:36 p.m., Deputy Mayor Courtemanche vacated the Chair.

**VICE-CHAIR MCINTAGGART, IN THE CHAIR**

Change of Chair

At 9:44 p.m., Vice-Chair McIntaggart vacated the Chair.

**DEPUTY MAYOR COURTEMANCHE, IN THE CHAIR**

Item 5  
Analysis of  
Organizational  
Alternatives for  
Environmental  
Innovation and Energy  
Initiatives

An electronic presentation regarding Analysis of Organizational Alternatives for Environmental Innovation and Energy Initiatives was presented to the Committee by Mr. Oscar Poloni of KPMG.

Proceed Past  
10:00 p.m.

**RECOMMENDATION 2003-56 Moved by Councillor Portelance:**

THAT we proceed past the hour of 10:00 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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The Committee agreed to hear from Dr. Dave Pearson. Dr. Pearson briefly set out the reasons why the proposed recommendation be deferred.

The following recommendation was presented:

**RECOMMENDATION: Moved by Councillor Bradley:**

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury recognizes the importance of environmental and energy initiatives;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury has consistently shown leadership in fostering and implementing environmental and energy initiatives;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury has recognized eco-industry and energy as one of the five engines for economic growth;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a new unit in the Economic Development and Planning Services Department be created;

AND FURTHER THAT the new unit continue to provide:

- Leadership in the formation of the EarthCare Sudbury Institute
- Facilitation of partnerships for environmental and energy initiatives
- Identification of internal opportunities for energy efficiencies and environmental initiatives
- A leading role in accessing funding from senior levels of government
- Provide opportunities for the testing of environmental and energy initiatives

AND FURTHER THAT all budget allocations for environmental and energy initiatives be transferred to the Economic Development and Planning Department.

**DEFEATED**

The following recommendation was presented:

**RECOMMENDATION 2003-57 Moved by Councillor Portelance:**

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury by their resolution 2003-35 confirmed:

- THAT Council support the initiatives outlined in the EarthCare Local Action Plan;

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- AND FURTHER THAT the Organizational Elements of the Proposed Implementation Strategy will be evaluated during “*The Organization for Tomorrow*” process;
- AND FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to bring a report back to the Priorities Committee with recommendations outlining how Council may implement the initiatives in the EarthCare Local Action Plan and integrate these initiatives into the City’s organizational initiatives and policies by creating a Division of Environmental Innovation and Energy Initiatives;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT a new Division of Environmental Innovation and Energy Initiatives be created in Public Works;

AND FURTHER THAT the new Division be created with the following requirements:

- THAT the Sections in the new Division continue to deliver their current activities;
- THAT the Sections also collectively work together to champion environmental innovation and energy initiatives in the core activities of Public Works;
- THAT this Public Works unit work closely with the Economic Development and Planning Services Department on community-based EarthCare activities;
- THAT there be no additional permanent staff hired as a result of this reorganization;
- THAT there be no overall budget increase arising from this reorganization;

AND FURTHER THAT environmental and energy objectives be required to be included in the business plan for all City units thereby developing a culture that fosters environmental and energy innovation.

**CARRIED**

Items Deferred

The Committee concurred that Item 6 (Child Care Project: Study of the Child Care Delivery System in the City of Greater Sudbury), Item 7 (Minimum Insurance Liability Requirements for Third Parties), Item 8 (Council and Citizen Appointments for 2003-2006 Council Term) and Item 9 (Underserved Area Program - Physician Relocation Incentive Grant) be deferred to the next Priorities meeting on October 8, 2003.

Item 10  
Pioneer Manor -  
Tender and Purchase  
of Therapeutic Tubs,  
Electric Beds and  
Mattresses

Report dated 2003-09-17 from General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Pioneer Manor - Tender and Purchase of Therapeutic Tubs, Electric Beds and Mattresses was received.

**RECOMMENDATION 2003-58: Moved by Councillor Portelance:**

WHEREAS City Council's resolution 2001-304 approved the commencement of the capital redevelopment of Pioneer Manor for the replacement of 128 beds with new construction and the renovation of 92 beds as required by the Ministry of Health & Long Term Care; and

WHEREAS capital disbursements including the purchase of necessary equipment are within the approved budget of \$22.1 million;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Pioneer Manor be authorized to tender through the Supplies and Services Department and purchase the following items subject to the lowest bid and meeting all equipment requirements:

1. Up to eight (8) therapeutic tubs at a total estimated cost of \$200,000.
2. Up to 280 electric beds and mattresses at a total estimated cost of \$475,000.

**CARRIED**

Adjournment

**RECOMMENDATION 2003-59: Moved by Councillor Bradley:**

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 11:00 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Deputy Mayor Courtemanche

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Clerk