

**MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-THIRD MEETING OF THE
CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

June 22nd, 2017
MacKenzie Branch

Commencement: 4:26 p.m.
Adjournment: 6:47 p.m.

PRESENT

M. Bellmore, S. Townend, C. Beaudry, C. Derrenbacker

REGRETS

Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Reynolds, C. Singbush

CITY STAFF

Brian Harding, Manager of Libraries and Heritage Resources; L. Valle, Director of Children & Citizen Services, Mette Kruger, Coordinator of Public Services, Sandra Cull, Administrative Assistant to Director of Children and Citizen Services

**GREATER SUDBURY
POLICE STAFF**

Detective Sergeant Blair Ramsay; Detective Constable Chris Kerr

**DECLARATIONS OF
PECUNIARY INTEREST
AND GENERAL NATURE
THEREOF**

None declared.

MINUTES

The following motion was presented:

2017-58 S. Townend / C. Beaudry

THAT the minutes of the Twenty-Second Meeting of the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board held on May 25, 2017 be adopted.

CARRIED

PRESENTATION

GSPL Internet Access Policies

Detective Constable Chris Kerr spoke of a child pornography investigation where a patron was in question and City IT was unable to share information with GSPS. He is concerned about community safety as the person in question was a danger to children. There are concerns with the existing GSPL Internet Access Policy as there is no sign-in process, we are unable to enforce Terms and Conditions for Internet Use and a liability issue could arise. The Board was advised that this is not an isolated event, a similar issue happened with the last Board but the frequency of this happening through the library is unknown. He advised that authentication to access wifi such as requiring email address or library card and name would add level of security. He went on to explain that this activity does happen elsewhere, but libraries are a target as they are comfortable, there are many nooks where people can sit undetected by cameras. He advised that should staff observe something criminal, they should report it to the police.

Brian advised that the library is provincially mandated and there are rights to expression. Censorship issues have been challenged in the past and the expectation of us is to maintain access to material, within

our policy. This is the reason we have filtered and unfiltered access.

Staff have to walk a fine line as it is challenging to identify access to material that may be criminal.

Respect for Rights to Use the Library and Access to Information Policy

Detective Constable Chris Kerr advised the group that it is staff's duty to report to the police any observation of a library patron viewing material depicting abuse to children. Staff do not have the ability to view material from workstations and it is very difficult to determine legal vs. illegal content. Brian will invite Jim Dolson of CGS IT to a future meeting to discuss. It was also suggested that the Library Board could send a letter of Support to IT in order to support IT's needs for security staffing. Brian will have this letter prepared for the Board's September meeting. The group had a discussion around policies and terms and conditions. It was suggested that staff be extra vigilant when young children are present and monitor who is doing what. Internet access is argued as being a fundamental human right and access to wifi outside of regular hours is important. Libraries are not looking at censoring anyone, simply looking for opportunities to prevent illegal activity (e.g., monitoring of keywords, images, etc.).

Library Board CEO Update

New Main Library – Project Status

Brian advised the group that the work with Lord is continuing. The cost estimate is \$45 million, not including land costs, but does include infrastructure costs. The final Phase 1 report will be ready by the end of the month, but not by the Council meeting. The data is being updated to 2016 data. The group discussed the upcoming Council meeting and the lack of communication and leadership at the senior level. The resolution being presented at Council was discussed and the group felt it may be misread. It was decided that a second resolution would be presented to the Large Steering Committee in order to clarify the wording and avoid any confusion. Brian will request the presence of the CAO at the upcoming Joint Committee Meeting to discuss the resolutions.

OTHER BUSINESS

Brian proposed revision to the Membership and Circulation Policy, given feedback received after the initial ratification regarding the naming of the library cards.

The following motion was presented:

2017-60 C. Beaudry / S. Townend

THAT the Library Board adopt the revised Membership and Circulation Policy dated June 20, 2017.

CORRESPONDENCE

Catherine Singbush – Letter of Resignation

Brian explained the process for replacing Board members. At the Council meeting of August 22, Council will have the opportunity to vote on a resolution to either nominate a Board Member to replace vacancy or state that the current Library Board consist of six members. The Library Board would like to remain at six members.

The following motion was presented:

2017- 59 C. Derrenbacker / C.I Beaudry

That the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board accepts with regrets the resignation of Catherine Singbush and further that the Board thanks her for her services.

ADJOURNMENT

The following motion was presented:

2017-61 C. Beaudry / C. Derrenbacker

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 5:07 p.m.

CARRIED

Brian Harding, Secretary

Michael Bellmore, Chair