

LOCAL SERVICES BOARD OF NOLALU
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 27, 2014
7:30 PM
Nolalu Community Centre

Attendance:

Board Members: Sharon Low (Chair), Sheree O'Malley, Lloyd Snider, Sandy Snider,
Secretary/Treasurer: Karen Caren
NEST: John O'Malley
NCC: Jack Erickson, Daren Fellner

1. Call to Order and Review of Agenda

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Without objection, the agenda was adopted.

2. Conflict of Interest - No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. Approval of Minutes – April 22, 2014

Moved by Sandy Snider, seconded by Lloyd Snider,

THAT the regular meeting minutes of April 22, 2014, be accepted.

CARRIED

4. Financial Reports – April 2014

Moved by Sheree O'Malley, seconded by Sandy Snider,

THAT the LSB expenditures of \$535.07 for administration, \$1,939.53 for recreation services and \$3,722.38 for fire protection services for a total of \$6,196.98 for the month of April 2014 be accepted; and

THAT the reserve account, petty cash and bank account transactions and balances for April 2014, as per the financial statement as compared to budget, have been reviewed and are hereby approved.

CARRIED

It was noted that since there is no meeting in June, the regular cheques for that month have been prepared, post-dated and will be distributed to the recipients.

5. Updates

5.1 NCC

Jack Erickson noted that June will be a quite month at the community centre. The annual clean-up day is scheduled for June 7th and the Family Pancake Breakfast will be held on Father's Day June 15th. Through

a grant from Hydro One, all the light bulbs in the building have been changed to more energy efficient ones.

It was the consensus of the board to add a discussion of NCC's financial system under Old Business item 7.6.

5.2 NEST

John O'Malley noted that May was a quiet month for calls with a couple of first response calls and one fire call. NEST also took advantage of the lighting retrofit program through Hydro One and both fire halls have new energy efficient lights. Training and recruitment is ongoing. In the summer months many of the volunteers are out of town.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Ron Nelson - Ontario One Call Service

The Secretary/Treasurer explained the new Ontario One Call legislation where all private and public organizations with underground infrastructure must register the location of the infrastructure with Ontario One Call. This will allow anyone who wishes to dig underground to call one number in order to have all the necessary locates done.

Since the LSB does not own any underground infrastructure, Ontario One Call requires a form to be signed off. The Chair will sign the form on behalf of the LSB to be forwarded to Ontario One Call.

6.2 Provincial Alliance Credit Union – Proposed Merger

The Chair read the notice from the Provincial Alliance Credit Union respecting the proposed merger between the Provincial Alliance Credit Union and Ontario Civil Service Credit Union. There are two "Town Hall" meetings scheduled to learn more about this proposal and for members to vote on it. It was the consensus of the board that no representative from the Board need attend the meetings.

7. Old Business

7.1 Funding from MNM: How it Compares to Other LSBs

Sharon noted that she had contacted the following LSBs to inquire what their provincial funding grant is. They are as follows:

Gorham and Ware - \$4,500 for fire protection; represents 4% of budget
Shebandowan - \$8,000 for fire protection; represents 8.6% of budget
Hurkett - \$4,236 for fire and recreation; represents 8.6% of budget
Lappe – less than \$10,000 for fire, recreation and garbage (library to be added)

In comparison, Nolalu received \$2,909 for fire and recreation services, representing 3.5% of budget.

Sharon will contact a few more of the more of the boards for their information. It was the consensus that if Nolalu appears to be the board with the lowest percentage of provincial funding, the board will lobby the Province after the election. This item will be on the July agenda.

7.2 Emergency Procedures Plan

There is nothing new to report on this item. It was noted that Nolalu will continue to operate under the old plan until the new one is officially adopted. NEST undertook to update the contacts and phone numbers in the plan.

7.3 Provincial Policy Statement

Sharon noted that she and Larry reviewed the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS). They found that there were no changes in wording in response to severances and the other concerns the board raised during the review process. It was the consensus that since the Province will not review the PPS for another 5 years or more, that this item can be taken off the agenda.

7.4 Amendment to NEST Service Contract – By-law No. 2014-04

THAT By-law No. 2014-04 being a by-law to amend the contract for the provision of fire protection services for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, be hereby passed and enacted this 27th day of May 2014.
CARRIED

7.5 Extension of Board Term

Sharon read a letter written to Minister Gravelle from Bill Mauro, MPP, dated April 23, 2014, advising that he was passing along the Nolalu LSB's request for an extension of an LSB's term from one year to three. It was the consensus of the board that with the upcoming Provincial election that this matter will likely not go any further. Such a change would require an amendment to the legislation which is a lengthy process.

7.6 NCC's Financial System

It was noted that NCC had forwarded the April 2014 Financial Statement to the Secretary/Treasurer which was then emailed to the board members for review. Daren Fellner, NCC's Treasurer, showed the members the Excel spreadsheet he designed to keep track of the revenue and expense. The board was satisfied with the progress of the financial system and without objection directed that NCC be paid the contract payments to date.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment of Meeting

There is no June meeting. The next regular meeting is July 22, 2014 at 7:30 PM.

Moved by Sheree O'Malley, seconded by Lloyd Snider,

THAT there being no further business and the time being 8:05 PM, the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Chair _____ Secretary/Treasurer _____