# MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH MEETING OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

September 22nd, 2016 Commencement: 4:02 p.m. MacKenzie Branch Adjournment: 6:10 p.m.

PRESENT M. Bellmore, Councillor Reynolds, C. Derrenbacker, C. Beaudry,

S. Townend and C. Singbush

**REGRETS** Councillor Signoretti

Brian Harding, Manager of Libraries and Heritage Resources; M. **CITY STAFF** 

Krüger, Coordinator of Public Services, R. Clouthier, Manager of

Citizen Services, Jessica Watts, Co-Ordinator, Outreach

Programs and Partnerships, Sandra Cull, Executive Assistant to

General Manager of Transit, Asset and Fleet Services

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

None declared.

**MINUTES** The following motion was presented:

2016-37 C. Beaudry / L. Reynolds

THAT the minutes of the Thirteenth Meeting of the Greater Sudbury Public Library Board held on May 26th, 2016, be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### **PRESENTATION** Staffing Changes at the City of Greater Sudbury

Brian advised the group that Catherine Matheson has returned to the City and has reclaimed her prior portfolio. Ron Henderson's new role is General Manager of Transit. Assets and Fleet as well as heading up two of the Large Projects for the City, one of which is the Library / Art Gallery Project. Ron will no longer attend Library Board meetings, but will attend the Library / Art Gallery Board meetings.

New Main Library / Art Gallery Project – Status Update

The RFP for the hiring of a Project Manager to work with both groups has been posted and will come down next week. A group will be set up to evaluate the proposals. Part of the Project Manager's role is to identify similarities between the two groups and develop a strategy for pursuing the combined Library / Art

Gallery.

Brian advised that a group consisting of himself, the Art Gallery and a few City employees, invited by the Mastin family to attend at their home in Willisville to view an art collection belonging to the Franklin Carmichael Estate, which is part of the famous Group of 7.

The group discussed at length the role of the Project Manager, progress with the location and the meetings with the Art Gallery.

Brian briefly reviewed the Fall Library Board Schedule.

# 2016 Business Plan Update

Brian went through the 2016 Business Plan with the group and certain actions were discussed at length. The Board asked that the Business Plan updates be forwarded to them in advance of the meeting so that they can review ahead of time.

The group talked about the Makerspace / Maker Fair in detail and came up with ideas on how this program can be expanded.

Mette will communicate staff meeting times to Board Members as some members have shown an interest to attend the same.

# **REPORTS**

# Community Information Policy

The Community Information Policy and Resolution were deferred to the October meeting.

New Main Library / Art Gallery Project – Assessing GSPL Reserve Funds to Support Project Manager

Brian gave an overview of the report. He discussed with the Board allocating \$100,000 of the Library Reserve Fund to fund the second phase of the Library / Art Gallery RFP. The group discussed at length and came up with different options to fund the second phase of the RFP.

This report and resolution were deferred to the October meeting. Brian will formally request Meredith Armstrong of Economic Development to add this topic to the upcoming Library / Art Gallery Meeting for discussion.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

### Ontario Library Association – Connectivity Fund

Brian presented a letter drafted by the Ontario Library Association to the Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport drawing attention to decreased funding to the library sector through grants and subsidies.

# OTHER BUSINESS

# **Board Training Opportunities**

Mette briefed the group about a training opportunity through Learn HQ and distributed a handout regarding the same. The course is designed to develop leadership skills of board members and Mette encouraged the group to enroll.

# **Programming Update**

Jessica briefed the Board on the highlights of the Programming Department. The Summer Reading Club registrations were up this year and was very successful once again.

Jessica advised the group that there is an upcoming upclose profile article coming up soon in the Northern Life.

The Poet Laureate is working on a new venture of "taking it to the street". The idea is to work with downtown businesses to allow the display of poetry in their display windows.

## Circulation Update

The Circulation Update by Mary Searle has been deferred to the October meeting.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The following motion was presented:

2016-38 S. Townend / L. Reynolds

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 6:10 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

Brian Harding, Secretary	Michael Bellmore, Chair