



The Corporation of the City of Stratford Social Services Committee MINUTES

Date: Monday, November 23, 2020
Time: 3:49 P.M.
Location: Electronically

Committee Present in Council Chambers: Councillor Henderson - Chair Presiding, Councillor Bunting - Vice Chair, Mayor Mathieson, Councillor Beatty, Councillor Burbach, Councillor Clifford, Councillor Gaffney, Councillor Ingram, Councillor Ritsma, Councillor Sebben, Councillor Vassilakos
Committee Present Electronically:

Staff Present in Council Chambers: Joan Thomson - Chief Administrative Officer, Tatiana Dafoe - City Clerk, Chris Bantock – Deputy Clerk

Staff Present Electronically: David St. Louis - Director of Community Services, Ed Dujlovic - Director of Infrastructure and Development Services, Kim McElroy - Director of Social Services, John Paradis - Fire Chief, Janice Beirness - Director of Corporate Services, Jodi Akins - Council Clerk Secretary, Naeem Khan – Manager of IT and Business Systems, Alex Burgess – Manager of Ontario Works, Eden Grodzinski – Manager of Housing

1. Call to Order

Chair Henderson called the Meeting to Order.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

The *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* requires any member of Council declaring a pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof, where the interest of a member of Council has not been disclosed by reason of the member's absence

from the meeting, to disclose the interest at the first open meeting attended by the member of Council and otherwise comply with the *Act*.

Name, Item and General Nature of Pecuniary Interest

No declarations of pecuniary interest were made by a member at the November 23, 2020 Social Services Committee meeting.

3. Sub-committee Minutes

Sub-committee minutes were provided for background regarding the discussion held at the November 10, 2020 Sub-committee meeting.

4. Delegations

None scheduled.

5. Report of the Manager of Housing

5.1 Introduction to Bill 204, Helping Tenants and Small Businesses Act, 2020 (SOC20-010)

Staff Recommendation: THAT the report titled "Introduction to Bill 204, Helping Tenants and Small Business Act, 2020" (SOC20-010) be received for information.

Motion by Councillor Burbach

Seconded by Councillor Vassilakos

Committee Recommendation: THAT the report titled "Introduction to Bill 204, Helping Tenants and Small Business Act, 2020" (SOC20-010) be received for information.

Carried

5.2 Delegation of Authorities for Housing Division Agreements, including properties owned by The Corporation of the City of Stratford and Perth & Stratford Housing Corporation (SOC20-011)

Staff Recommendation: THAT the report "Delegation of Authorities for Housing Division Agreements, including properties owned by The Corporation of the City of Stratford and Perth & Stratford Housing Corporation" (SOC20-011) be received for information purposes;

AND THAT Council delegate authority to the Director of Social Services, or Manager of Housing or Supervisor of Social Services, Housing Division to sign agreements between prospective tenants, program recipients, housing providers/landlords and The Corporation of the City of Stratford and/or the Perth & Stratford Housing Corporation.

Motion by Councillor Gaffney
Seconded by Councillor Beatty

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Carried

6. Report of the Manager of Ontario Works

6.1 Social Assistance Recovery and Renewal Plan Update (SOC20-009)

Staff Recommendation: THAT the report titled "Social Assistance Recovery and Renewal Plan Update (SOC20-009)" be received for information.

Motion by Councillor Ritsma
Seconded by Councillor Burbach

Committee Recommendation: THAT the report titled "Social Assistance Recovery and Renewal Plan Update (SOC20-009)" be received for information.

Carried

7. Adjournment

Motion by Councillor Clifford
Seconded by Councillor Vassilakos

Committee Decision: THAT the Social Services Committee meeting adjourn.

Carried

Meeting Start Time: 3:49 P.M.

Meeting End Time: 3:52 P.M.