

District of Parry Sound West (Belvedere Heights)
Board of Management Meeting
Wednesday, July 17, 2023
10:00 a.m.
via Zoom

Directors Present (voting): Joe Beleskey
Paul Borneman, Vice Chair
Don Carmichael, Secretary/Treasurer
Art Coles, Chair
Cheryl Ward
Pamela Wing
Debbie Zulak

Director Regrets:

Guests Attending (non voting): Gail Finnon

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Advisory Member Attending (non voting):

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Staff Attending (non voting): Kami Johnson, Administrator
Linda Taylor, Community Support Services

Staff Regrets:

Specially Invited (non voting): Donald Sanderson, West Parry Sound Health Centre
Heidi Stephenson, West Parry Sound Health Centre

1.0 Call to Order: The Board Chair called the meeting to order.

2.0 Confirmation of Quorum: A quorum was achieved.

3.0 Conflict of Interest: No conflicts were declared.

4.0 Community Support Services

A short briefing was provided by L. Taylor about recent grant received from Employment Social Development Canada/ Seniors Connect. The Grant is for approximately \$466 K over 2 years. The purpose of the grant is to bring Community Support Services (CSS) into the community and the grant is to be used for an Accessible Vehicle and a Home Maintenance program. A Navigator for the Home Maintenance Program will be hired. L. Taylor expressed concern that accessible vehicles in the future will be modifications of high-end vehicles and not affordable for the funds provided by the grant. Linda has been collecting availability and quotes from

various dealers that can provide such a vehicle, and she believes if she were to wait for the first cash flow in October 2023, the availability of these vehicles would be in question and the purchase would likely be in jeopardy.

The ask was that the Belvedere Heights operations account provide the bridge financing required to go ahead with the purchase and that CSS repay Belvedere Heights upon receipt of the first installment of grant funds in October 2023.

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Moved by D. Carmichael, seconded by C. Ward that the Belvedere Heights Board approves the purchase of an accessible vehicle up to \$95,000 to be funded by the Employment Social Development Canada/ Seniors Connect grant 1877847 received by Community Support Services.

Carried.

#BH-67/23

Moved by C. Ward, seconded by D. Carmichael that the Belvedere Heights Board provide bridge financing of up to \$95,000 for Community and Support Services to acquire the accessible van for the Employment Social Development Canada/ Seniors Connect grant. To be repaid by CSS upon the receipt of their first installment of the grant in October 2023, and subject to the confirmation that the funders of the grant will allow the advance purchase of the vehicle to take place.

Carried.

5.0 Life Lease – Line of Credit

A brief update was given by D. Carmichael on his discussion with TD bank possibly providing a line of credit for Life Lease purchases. Don will work with TD to provide a term sheet to answer 1) will they provide Belvedere with the monies and 2) what are the terms.

6.0 Conclusion of Meeting – 10:45 a.m.

Art Coles, Chair