

**THE TWENTY-SECOND MEETING OF THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE  
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Council Chamber  
Tom Davies Square**

**Wednesday, February 9, 2005  
Commencement: 7:04 p.m.**

Chair

**COUNCILLOR CALDARELLI, IN THE CHAIR**

Present

Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Craig; Dupuis; Gainer; Gasparini (A 7:32 pm); Kett; Reynolds; Rivest; Thompson; Mayor Courtemanche

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; R. Carre, Acting General Manager of Community Development; P. Baskcomb, Acting General Manager of Growth & Development; A. Stephen, General Manager of Infrastructure & Emergency Services; H. Salter, Deputy City Solicitor; G. Lamothe, Manager of Corporate Communications & French Language Services; B. Lautenbach, Director of Planning Services; P. Demers, Community Relations and Policy Advisor; C. Salazar, Manager of Corporate Strategy & Policy Analyst; T. McCaffrey, Supervisor of Environmental Initiatives; L. McKinnon, Lake Water Quality Program Co-ordinator; M. Burtch, Licensing and Assessment Clerk; T. Mowry, City Clerk; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; MCTV; CIGM; Channel 10 News; Le Voyageur

Declarations of  
Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

**PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

Item 2  
Ideas! The Seeds of  
Growth

Mayor David Courtemanche gave an electronic presentation entitled "*Ideas! The Seeds of Growth*".

The presentation explained the need and purpose of this initiative, the types of ideas submitted by the public, how these ideas were categorized, ideas that are currently being implemented or "need nurturing", how other businesses or organizations could get involved, what could be learned from the ideas submitted, and what is required to "invest in these ideas".

Item 3  
Junction Creek - Five  
Year Action Plan

Ms. Anne Watelet and Ms. Margaret Hoar, Co-Chairs of the Junction Creek Stewardship Committee gave an electronic presentation to the Committee entitled "*Junction Creek: A Community Success Story*".

Ms. Watelet outlined the Stewardship Committee's endeavours of the past five years:

- creating awareness by involving the elementary and secondary schools in surveys and cleanups (identifying bugs, community involvement, portages, restoration)
- outlining the funding from various organizations
- international and provincial recognition
- the benefits resulting from this program

Item 4  
Lake Water Quality  
Program 2004

Ms. Lana McKinnon, Lake Water Quality Program Co-ordinator gave an electronic presentation to the Committee which outlined the following:

- the history of the Lake Water Quality Program
- a summary of the accomplishments
- 2004 spring phosphorus results from thirty-two (32) lakes within the City of Greater Sudbury
- community based monitoring (Lake Partner Program, Loon Survey, Invasive Species Watch, Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup)
- partnerships & funding
- members of the Lake Improvement Advisory Panel and their past successes
- future programs

The following recommendation was presented:

Dupuis: THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury recognize the achievements of the Lake Water Quality Program and the value of the program to the quality of life in the City, and support the on-going initiatives of this program;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the sum of \$5,000 from the Lake Water Quality budget to be used to assist the initiatives of lake stewardship groups in achieving their goals of healthy waterfront living.

Friendly Amendment

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Kett requested that the foregoing recommendation be amended by deleting the last paragraph as funding was previously approved by Council as part of the 2005-2006 Budget process.

Item 4  
Lake Water Quality  
Program 2004  
(continued)

Main  
Recommendation  
(as amended)

**RECOMMENDATION 2005-12: Moved by Councillor Dupuis:**

THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury recognize the achievements of the Lake Water Quality Program and the value of the program to the quality of life in the City, and support the on-going initiatives of this program.

**CARRIED**

**MANAGERS' REPORTS**

Item 5  
Proposed Firearms  
Regulations

Report dated 2005-02-04, with attachments, from the Executive Director of Administrative Support Services regarding Public Engagement - Proposed Firearms Regulations was received.

Councillor Rivest asked the Chief Administrative Officer why a new by-law was required.

Mr. Mieto advised the Committee that the purpose was to create a more uniformed by-law, but that this option could be reviewed further by the Committee.

Ms. Salter also advised that one by-law would make enforcement easier for the By-law Enforcement Officers.

The following recommendation was presented:

Dupuis: THAT the Priorities Committee recommends to Council Option 4 (Firearms Regulation Task Force) with the mandate as set out in Schedule A to the Report dated 2005-02-04 from the Executive Director of Administrative Support Services;

AND THAT Councillor Dupuis be appointed as Chair and Councillor Bradley be appointed as Vice-Chair.

Friendly Amendment

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Gainer requested that the foregoing recommendation and mandate be amended by eliminating Chair and Vice-Chair, giving the Task Force the option to appoint the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Point of Information

Councillor Bradley rose on a point of information asking, if by choosing Option 4, would this allow for a public hearing.

Councillor Caldarelli advised the Committee that Item #6 of the Mandate stipulates that a City wide public input meeting must be conducted.

Item 5  
Proposed Firearms  
Regulations  
(continued)

Main  
Recommendation  
(as amended)

**RECOMMENDATION 2005-13: Moved by Councillor Dupuis:**

THAT the Priorities Committee recommends to Council Option 4 (Firearms Regulation Task Force) with the mandate as set out in Schedule A (as amended) to the Report dated 2005-02-04 from the Executive Director of Administrative Support Services;

AND THAT Councillor Dupuis and Councillor Bradley be appointed.

**CARRIED**

VETAC - Land  
Reclamation

Councillor Kett stated that VETAC has been very successful with their programs and projects in the past but that he hasn't seen any new developments lately. He asked the Director of Planning Services how VETAC was addressing this issue.

Mr. Lautenbach advised the Committee that Stephen Monet, Coordinator of Environmental Initiatives, will be making a presentation at the March 9, 2005 Priorities Committee. He also stated that the grants obtained for land reclamation have been discontinued and trees that were once donated must be purchased. Mr. Lautenbach informed the Committee that VETAC is working towards the continuation of greening.

Adjournment

**RECOMMENDATION 2005-14: Moved by Councillor Dupuis:**

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 8:45 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Councillor Caldarelli, Chair

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Thom Mowry, City Clerk