

# RENFREW COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION

# Wednesday, October 14, 2020

An electronic meeting of the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Directors Present: Chair James Brose

Warden Debbie Robinson Vice-Chair John Reinwald Councillor Debbi Grills Councillor Kim Love Councillor Cathy Regier

Regrets: Councillor Ed Jacyno

Officers Present: Paul Moreau, Chief Executive Officer

Laura LePine, Chief Operating Officer

Staff Present: Carol Neill, General Manager, Renfrew County Housing

Corporation

Craig Kelley, Director of Development & Property

Shelley Sheedy, Director of Long-Term Care Andrea Patrick, Ontario Works Manager

Judy Mulvihill, Manager of Child Care and Early Years Services

Rosalyn Gruntz, Deputy Clerk

Wendy Hill, Administrative Assistant

Chair Brose called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The roll was called and no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-20-10-30**

Moved by Councillor Love

Seconded by Councillor Regier

THAT the minutes of the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors meeting held on September 9, 2020 be adopted. CARRIED.

Ms. LePine overviewed the Director's Report, which is attached as Appendix A.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-20-10-31**

Moved by Councillor Grills

Seconded by Councillor Love

THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors recommends to the Social Services Committee that County Council approve a one-year (January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020) Collective Agreement between CUPE Local 4425 and Renfrew County Housing Corporation, which was ratified by the CUPE Membership on September 29, 2020. CARRIED.

Ms. Neill overviewed the Monthly Report, which is attached as Appendix B.

# **RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-20-10-32**

Moved by Councillor Love

Seconded by Councillor Reinwald

THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors approves the moratorium on Resolution RCHC-C-18-09-37 for a one-year period resulting in a freeze of the \$10/month rental increase over and above the maximum rent increase for the outlying area (excluding Pembroke, Renfrew and Arnprior) should Bill 204 - Helping Tenants and Small Businesses Act be passed. CARRIED.

Discussion occurred with regard to arrears and the reasons why they are outstanding such as unemployment, tenants choosing not to pay rent and maintenance related issues. Staff are working together with tenants to clear up arrears with funds that are available through the Social Services Relief Fund for COVID related arrears.

Discussion took place regarding the new Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB) which is now being offered to Renfrew County residents seeking housing assistance.

# **RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-20-10-33**

Moved by Councillor Regier Seconded by Councillor Reinwald

THAT the RCHC Director's Report and Monthly Report attached as Appendix A and B be approved. CARRIED.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Chair Brose noted that he was contacted by Councillor Ed Jacyno who would like to bring a delegation from the Grind to the November meeting.

# **RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-20-10-34**

Moved by Councillor Love Seconded by Councillor Grills

THAT this meeting adjourn and the next regular meeting be held on November 9, 2020. Time 1:30 p.m. CARRIED.



# SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE Wednesday, October 14, 2020

An electronic meeting of the Social Services Committee was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Present were: Chair James Brose

Warden Debbie Robinson Vice-Chair John Reinwald Councillor Debbi Grills Councillor Kim Love Councillor Cathy Regier

Regrets: Councillor Ed Jacyno, City of Pembroke Representative

Staff Present: Paul Moreau, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

Laura LePine, Director of Social Services

Craig Kelley, Director of Development & Property

Shelley Sheedy, Director of Long-Term Care Andrea Patrick, Ontario Works Manager

Carol Neill, General Manager, Renfrew County Housing

Corporation

Judy Mulvihill, Manager of Child Care & Early Years Services

Rosalyn Gruntz, Deputy Clerk

Wendy Hill, Administrative Assistant

Chair Brose called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. The roll was called and no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SS-C-20-10-42**

Moved by Councillor Love

Seconded by Councillor Regier

THAT the minutes of the September 9, 2020 meeting be adopted. CARRIED.

Ms. LePine overviewed the Social Services Department Report, which is attached as Appendix A.

# **RESOLUTION NO. SS-C-20-10-43**

Moved by Councillor Reinwald

Seconded by Councillor Love

THAT the Social Services Committee recommend that County Council approve a one-year (January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020) Collective Agreement between CUPE Local 4425 and Renfrew County Housing Corporation, which was ratified by the CUPE Membership on September 29, 2020. CARRIED.

#### **Ontario Works Division**

Ms. Patrick overviewed the Ontario Works Division Report, which is part of the Social Services Department Report.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SS-C-20-10-44**

Moved by Councillor Reinwald

Seconded by Councillor Regier

THAT the Social Services Committee recommend that County Council approve the Business Case for a five-month contract Ontario Works Supervisor position in Group 8 (\$74,172-\$87,260) of Employment By-law #1, Non-Union Staff Salary Grid. CARRIED.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SS-C-20-10-45**

Moved by Councillor Grills

Seconded by Councillor Love

THAT the Social Services Committee recommend that County Council approve the addition of Policy OW-1 Internal Control Measures and Process for Ontario Works Payments and Policy OW-2 Funerals. CARRIED.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SS-C-20-10-46**

Moved by Councillor Love Seconded by Councillor Grills THAT the Ontario Works Division Report attached as Appendix A be approved. CARRIED.

# **Child Care and Early Years Division**

Ms. Mulvihill overviewed the Child Care and Early Years Division Report, which is part of the Social Services Department Report.

Discussion occurred with regards to the requirements of COVID testing on children in child care and schools.

Discussion occurred concerning the challenges of staffing at child care centres.

The County of Renfrew is low in personal protective equipment as child care requires specialized PPE and staff are reaching out to the province for assistance.

# **RESOLUTION NO. SS-C-20-10-47**

Moved by Councillor Reinwald Seconded by Councillor Regier THAT the Social Services Department Report attached as Appendix A be approved. CARRIED.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SS-C-20-10-48**

Moved by Councillor Grills Seconded by Councillor Love

THAT this meeting adjourn and the next regular meeting be held on November 9, 2020. Time – 2:22 p.m. CARRIED.