



**Minutes of the Community and Social Services Committee  
Held in the Council Chambers, Guelph City Hall on  
Tuesday June 11, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.**

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**Attendance**

Members: Chair Dennis, Councillors Burcher and Laidlaw

Absent: Mayor Farbridge and Councillor Van Hellemond

Councillors: Councillors Bell Hofland and Wettstein

Staff: Ms. C. Clack, Interim Executive Director, Community & Social Services; Ms. B. Powell, General Manager, Community Engagement & Social Services; Ms. D. Evans, Interim General Manager, Culture and Tourism; Ms. T. Agnello, Deputy Clerk; Ms. J. Sweeney, Council Committee Coordinator

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**Call to Order (5:00 p.m.)**

Chair Dennis called the meeting to order.

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures.

**Confirmation of Minutes**

1. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw  
Seconded by Councillor Burcher

That the open meeting minutes of the Community and Social Services Committee held on May 14, 2013 be confirmed as recorded.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Burcher, Dennis and Laidlaw (3)*

*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

**Consent Agenda**

The following items were extracted:

**CSS-2013.17 Community Investment Strategy: Innovation fund Implementation**  
**CSS-2013.18 Cultural Development Initiatives**

**Extracted Consent Items**

**CSS-2013.17 Community Investment Strategy: Innovation fund Implementation**

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Ms. Colleen Clack, Interim Executive Director Community & Social Services, introduced the report contained in the meeting agenda. She advised that the program has been renamed Community Innovation Connection.

Mr. David Thornley, Executive Director of Guelph Community Health Centre, advised of their support for the program. He said that the program will build a stronger more inclusive community. He strongly encouraged Committee to support this venture.

Ms. Julia Grady, Executive Director of 10 Carden, also supports the program and provided information on the services offered. She said the participation of the City will attract other investment in the program.

2. Moved by Councillor Burcher  
Seconded by Councillor Laidlaw

1. That the City's role as a funding partner and trustee in this emerging Innovation Fund model, delegating authority to the Executive Director of Community and Social Services to make funding decisions as part of this collaboration be approved.
2. That staff be directed to report back early in 2014 on the first cycle of awards and key performance indicators.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Burcher, Dennis and Laidlaw (3)*

*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

### **CSS-2013.18 Cultural Development Initiatives**

Ms. Ella Pauls, Manager Cultural Development, highlighted the MusicWorks/StageWorks and the Guelph Shebang youth mentorship programs held at the River Run Centre.

Ms. Emily Coutts advised of her experience participating in MusicWorks/StageWorks that she would not otherwise had the opportunity to have without the program.

Ms. Anna Nguyen, member of Guelph Youth Council, advised of her experience participating in the Guelph Shebang and how it enriched her and gave her an opportunity to have an impact.

3. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw  
Seconded by Councillor Burcher

That the June 11, 2013 report entitled "Cultural Development Initiatives" be received for information.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Burcher, Dennis and Laidlaw (3)*

*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

**Announcements**

Ms. Colleen Clack, Interim Executive Director Community & Social Services advised that June is Seniors Month and Recreation & Parks Month and that the River Run Season has just been launched.

Ms. Clack reported on the Service Area's Employee Engagement Survey Action Plans. She the service area participation was 93% and the key engagement drivers are senior leadership, managing performance and career opportunities. She highlighted the various action plans.

Ms. Clack provided an update on the long-term care project and that a report would be coming to committee in September. She advised that a tour of the Elliott has been scheduled for Council members on June 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjournment (5:40 p.m.)**

4. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw  
Seconded by Councillor Burcher

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

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Deputy Clerk